

To bring by the power of the Holy Spirit as many people as possible to know, love, and serve God as revealed through Jesus Christ; and to be transformed into spiritually renewed disciples of Jesus who know, love and serve one another and the world.

Wednesday August 26, 2020

An Order of Service for Noonday

Noonday Prayer begins on page 103 of The Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

Officiant O God, make speed to save us. **People O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

One of the following, or some other suitable passage of Scripture, is read

FIRST LESSON

A Reading from the appointed Psalm for today, Psalm 25:7-14 (BCP page 615)

Psalm 25:7–14

Ad te, Domine, levavi

- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.

- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- 10 For your Name's sake, O LORD, * forgive my sin, for it is great.
- 11 Who are they who fear the LORD? * he will teach them the way that they should choose.
- 12 They shall dwell in prosperity, * and their offspring shall inherit the land.
- 13 The LORD is a friend to those who fear him * and will show them his covenant.
- 14 My eyes are ever looking to the LORD, * for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON

A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark 7:32-37

Mark 7:32–37

They brought to Jesus a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

A homily or meditation, silent or spoken, may follow.

The Officiant then begins the Prayers

Lord, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.* Lord, have mercy.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Officiant	Lord, hear our prayer;
People	And let our cry come to you.
Officiant	Let us pray.

The Officiant then says one of the following Collects. If desired, the Collect of the Day may be used.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (Holy Women, Holy Men page 543)

O Loving God, whose will it is that everyone should come to you and be saved: We bless your holy Name for your servants Thomas Gallaudet and Henry Winter Syle, and we pray that you will continually move your Church to respond in love to the needs of all people; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP page 387, Form III)

Father, we pray for thy holy catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee; That thy Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for our Anglican Communion; for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for our Bishops, Andy, Jeff, Kai and Hector, for all bishops, priests and deacons; **That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in thy sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

For Donald, our President, Greg, our Governor, Sylvester, our Mayor and the Congress and the Courts; for all who serve in our armed forces and their families; we pray for peace throughout the world, and especially in the Middle East; and we pray for the victims of terror attacks; and we remember before you, and pray for the protection of our Christian brothers and sisters who face danger or persecution for their faith; and we pray for victims of all natural disasters; For the many people who have contracted the coronavirus; for comfort for those grieving loved ones who have died and peace for those who are fearful as the virus spreads, for those in isolation, those who have lost their job or their business, and for all those in our communities involved in ministering to the sick, especially for all health care workers; we pray for the safety of all law enforcement agents, firefighters, paramedics and all first responders who provide security and protection to the citizens they serve, and we pray for those in the hospitals, and those for whom our prayers have been requested and for those on our Continuing Prayer List; and for all the blessings of this life, and we remember before you the departed and we give thanks for their lives and pray for their loved ones left behind.

I invite your own prayers and intercessions.

The service concludes as follows

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*. THE DISMISSAL

OfficiantLet us bless the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.