

¶ Evening Prayer on Sunday

Sunday, 6 June 2021

The First Sunday after Trinity

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

AllO Lord, make haste to help us.

One or more of the following is said or sung:

a [prayer of thanksgiving \(page 110\)](#),

a suitable hymn,

or A Song of Worship

1Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, [□]

you that by night stand in the house of the Lord.

2Lift up your hands towards the sanctuary [□]

and bless the Lord.

3The Lord who made heaven and earth [□]

give you blessing out of Zion.

Psalm 134

AllGlory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now

and shall be for ever. Amen.

This opening prayer may be said

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,

let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,

so may your mercy come down upon us

to cleanse our hearts
and set us free to sing your praise
now and for ever.
AllAmen.

The Word of God

Psalmody

The appointed psalmody is said.

Psalm 37.1-11[12-17]

Refrain: The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord.

1 Fret not because of evildoers; [□]

be not jealous of those who do wrong.

2 For they shall soon wither like grass [□]

and like the green herb fade away.

3 Trust in the Lord and be doing good; [□]

dwell in the land and be nourished with truth.

4 Let your delight be in the Lord [□]

and he will give you your heart's desire.

5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, [□]

and he will bring it to pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light [□]

and your just dealing as the noonday. R

7 Be still before the Lord and wait for him; [□]

do not fret over those that prosper

as they follow their evil schemes.

8 Refrain from anger and abandon wrath; [□]

do not fret, lest you be moved to do evil.

9 For evildoers shall be cut off, □

but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

10 Yet a little while and the wicked shall be no more; □

you will search for their place and find them gone.

11 But the lowly shall possess the land □

and shall delight in abundance of peace. R

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12 The wicked plot against the righteous □

and gnash at them with their teeth.

13 The Lord shall laugh at the wicked, □

for he sees that their day is coming.

14 The wicked draw their sword and bend their bow

to strike down the poor and needy, □

to slaughter those who walk in truth.

15 Their sword shall go through their own heart □

and their bows shall be broken.

16 The little that the righteous have □

is better than great riches of the wicked.

17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, □

but the Lord upholds the righteous. R

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Refrain: The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord.

Blessed and holy God,

ever merciful and forgiving,

may we turn from what is evil

and do what is good in your sight,

for you have saved us by the cross of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Each psalm or group of psalms may end with

All Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

If there are two Scripture readings, the first may be read here, or both may be read after the canticle.

Jeremiah 6.16-21

Thus says the Lord:

Stand at the crossroads, and look,
and ask for the ancient paths,
where the good way lies; and walk in it,
and find rest for your souls.

But they said, 'We will not walk in it.'

Also I raised up sentinels for you:

'Give heed to the sound of the trumpet!'

But they said, 'We will not give heed.'

Therefore hear, O nations,

and know, O congregation, what will happen to them.

Hear, O earth; I am going to bring disaster on this people,

the fruit of their schemes,

because they have not given heed to my words;

and as for my teaching, they have rejected it.

Of what use to me is frankincense that comes from Sheba,

or sweet cane from a distant land?

Your burnt-offerings are not acceptable,

nor are your sacrifices pleasing to me.

Therefore thus says the Lord:

See, I am laying before this people

stumbling-blocks against which they shall stumble;

parents and children together,

neighbour and friend shall perish.

Canticle

A Song of the Lamb, or another suitable canticle, for example, [number 62 \(page 620\)](#) or [number 74 \(page 632\)](#), may be said

Refrain:

All Let us rejoice and exult

and give glory and homage to our God.

1 Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,
whose judgements are true and just.

2 Praise our God, all you his servants,
all who fear him, both small and great.

3 The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns:
let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

4 For the marriage of the Lamb has come
and his bride has made herself ready.

5 Blessed are those who are invited
to the wedding banquet of the Lamb.

Revelation 19.1b, 2a, 5b, 6b, 7, 9b

All To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might,
for ever and ever. Amen.

All Let us rejoice and exult
and give glory and homage to our God.

Scripture Reading

One or more readings appointed for the day are read.

The reading(s) may be followed by a time of silence.

Romans 9.1-13

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

It is not as though the word of God had failed. For not all Israelites truly belong to Israel, and not all of Abraham's children are his true descendants; but 'It is through Isaac that descendants shall be named after you.' This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as descendants. For this is what the promise said, 'About this time I will return and Sarah shall have a son.' Nor is that all; something similar happened to Rebecca when she had conceived children by one husband, our ancestor Isaac. Even before they had been born or had done anything good or bad

(so that God's purpose of election might continue, not by works but by his call) she was told, 'The elder shall serve the younger.' As it is written,

'I have loved Jacob,

but I have hated Esau.'

A suitable song or chant, or a responsory in this or another form, may follow

The Lord is my light and my salvation;

the Lord is the strength of my life.

AllThe Lord is my light and my salvation;

the Lord is the strength of my life.

The light shines in the darkness

and the darkness has not overcome it.

AllThe Lord is the strength of my life.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit.

AllThe Lord is my light and my salvation;

the Lord is the strength of my life.

from Psalm 27 and John 1

Gospel Canticle

The Magnificat (The Song of Mary) is normally said,

or the [Nunc dimittis \(The Song of Simeon\) \(page 613\)](#) may be said

Refrain:

AllYou have done great things, O God,

and holy is your name.

1My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; [□]

he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

2From this day all generations will call me blessed; [□]

the Almighty has done great things for me

and holy is his name.

3He has mercy on those who fear him, [□]

from generation to generation.

4He has shown strength with his arm [□]

and has scattered the proud in their conceit,

5Casting down the mighty from their thrones[□]

and lifting up the lowly.

6He has filled the hungry with good things[□]

and sent the rich away empty.

7He has come to the aid of his servant Israel,[□]

to remember his promise of mercy,

8The promise made to our ancestors,[□]

to Abraham and his children for ever.

Luke 1.46-55

AllGlory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now

and shall be for ever. Amen.

Refrain:

AllYou have done great things, O God,

and holy is your name.

Prayers

Thanksgiving may be made for the day.

Intercessions are offered

¶ for peace

¶ for individuals and their needs

Prayers may include the following concerns from the [cycle on pages 362–363](#)

¶ The universal Church

¶ Bishops, synods and all who lead the Church

¶ The leaders of the nations

¶ The natural world and the resources of the earth

¶ All who are in any kind of need

One of the forms of prayer found [on pages 362–371](#) may be used.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer

(or)

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Silence may be kept.

The Collect of the day is said

O God,

the strength of all those who put their trust in you,

mercifully accept our prayers

and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature

we can do no good thing without you,

grant us the help of your grace,

that in the keeping of your commandments

we may please you both in will and deed;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

(or)

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Conclusion

All The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.
Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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