



# ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, RIDGECREST

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## EVENING PRAYER: RITE TWO

*September 15, 2022, 6:30 p.m., Zoom Meeting ID: 928 461 1047, Passcode: StMichael*

*Thursday after the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

### PRESIDER

The Rev. Deacon Cathy Kline

### RESPONDER

Richard Hendricks

### READER

Dave Waller

### OPENING SENTENCE

Yours is the day, O God, yours also the night; you established the moon and the sun. You fixed all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter. *Psalm 74:15,16*

### CONFESSION OF SIN

(BCP p. 116)

*Presider:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silent confession will be observed.*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Presider::* Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

### THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*Presider:* O God, be not far from us.

*Responder:* **Come quickly to help us, O God.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.**

### O GRACIOUS LIGHT

(EOW p. 23)

Light of the world, in grace and beauty,  
Mirror of God's eternal face,  
**Transparent flame of love's free duty,  
You bring salvation to our race.**  
Now, as we see the lights of evening,  
We raise our voice in hymns of praise;  
**Worthy are you of endless blessing,  
Sun of our night, lamp of our days.**

## PSALM APPOINTED

PSALM 75

(BCP p. 691)

THE PSALM APPOINTED IS PSALM 75.

We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, \*  
calling upon your Name and declaring all your wonderful deeds.

**"I will appoint a time," says God; \***  
**"I will judge with equity.**

Though the earth and all its inhabitants are quaking, \*  
I will make its pillars fast.

**I will say to the boasters, 'Boast no more,' \***  
**and to the wicked, 'Do not toss your horns;**

Do not toss your horns so high, \*  
nor speak with a proud neck."

**For judgment is neither from the east nor from the west, \***  
**nor yet from the wilderness or the mountains.**

It is God who judges; \*  
he puts down one and lifts up another.

**For in the LORD'S hand there is a cup,**  
**full of spiced and foaming wine, which he pours out, \***  
**and all the wicked of the earth shall drink and drain the dregs.**

But I will rejoice for ever; \*  
I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

**He shall break off all the horns of the wicked; \***  
**but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.**

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

## THE READINGS

### THE FIRST READING

JOB 28:1-28

DAVE WALLER

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOB.

Job said, "Surely there is a mine for silver, and a place for gold to be refined. Iron is taken out of the earth, and copper is smelted from ore. Miners put an end to darkness, and search out to the farthest bound the ore in gloom and deep darkness. They open shafts in a valley away from human habitation; they are forgotten by travelers, they sway suspended, remote from people. As for the earth, out of it comes bread; but underneath it is turned up as by fire. Its stones are the place of sapphires, and its dust contains gold. "That path no bird of prey knows, and the falcon's eye has not seen it. The proud wild animals have not trodden it; the lion has not passed over it. "They put their hand to the flinty rock, and overturn mountains by the roots. They cut out channels in the rocks, and their eyes see every precious thing. The sources of the rivers they probe; hidden things they bring to light. "But where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding? Mortals do not know the way to it, and it is not found in the land of the living.

The deep says, 'It is not in me,' and the sea says, 'It is not with me.' It cannot be gotten for gold, and silver cannot be weighed out as its price. It cannot be valued in the gold of Ophir,

in precious onyx or sapphire. Gold and glass cannot equal it, nor can it be exchanged for jewels of fine gold. No mention shall be made of coral or of crystal; the price of wisdom is above pearls. The chrysolite of Ethiopia cannot compare with it, nor can it be valued in pure gold.

“Where then does wisdom come from? And where is the place of understanding? It is hidden from the eyes of all living, and concealed from the birds of the air. Abaddon and Death say, ‘We have heard a rumor of it with our ears.’ “God understands the way to it, and he knows its place. For he looks to the ends of the earth, and sees everything under the heavens. When he gave to the wind its weight, and apportioned out the waters by measure; when he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the thunderbolt; then he saw it and declared it; he established it, and searched it out. And he said to humankind, “Truly, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.”

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*Responder:* **Thanks be to God.**

### **THE SONG OF MARY**

LUKE 1:46-55

(EOW p. 27)

*Presider and responder alternate by whole verse.*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in you, O God my Savior; \*  
for you have looked with favor on your lowly servant.

**From this day all generations will call me blessed: \***

**you, the Almighty, have done great things for me, and holy is your Name.**

You have mercy on those who fear you \*  
from generation to generation.

**You have shown strength with your arm, \***  
**and scattered the proud in their conceit,**

Casting down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
and lifting up the lowly.

**You have filled the hungry with good things, \***  
**and sent the rich away empty.**

You have come to the help of your servant Israel, \*  
for you have remembered your promise of mercy,

**The promise you made to our forebears, \***  
**to Abraham and his children forever.**

### **THE SECOND READING**

JOHN 12:27-36A

DAVE WALLER

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN.

Jesus said, “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.”

Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, “We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?” Jesus said to them, “The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that

you may become children of light." After Jesus had said this, he departed and hid from them.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Responder:* **Thanks be to God.**

### **THE SONG OF SIMEON**

LUKE 2:29-32

(BCP p. 120)

*Presider and responder alternate by whole verse.*

Lord, you now have set your servant free \*

to go in peace as you have promised;

**For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \***

**whom you have prepared for all the world to see:**

A Light to enlighten the nations, \*

and the glory of your people Israel.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### **SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION**

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

(BCP p. 120)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,**

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins

**the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

(BCP p. 121)

*Presider:* God be with you.

*Responder:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

#### *English*

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.

#### *Spanish*

Padre nuestro que estas en el cielo,  
sanctificado sea tu Nombre,  
venga tu reino,  
hagase tu voluntad,  
en la tierra como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas,  
como tambien nosotros perdonamos  
a los que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentacion  
y libranos del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino,  
tuyo es el poder,  
y tuya es la gloria,  
ahora y por siempre. Amen

*Note: In August 2016, Bishop David asked all members of the Diocese  
to learn to pray the Lord's Prayer in Spanish.*

### SUFFRAGES A

(BCP p. 121)

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. **And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. **And sustain us by your Holy Spirit.**

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

PROPER 19

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**A COLLECT FOR THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST**

*(BCP p. 124)*

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen.**

**A PRAYER FOR MISSION**

*(BCP p. 124)*

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Presider:* Are there any prayers or thanksgivings you wish to offer?  
*The people may offer their intercessions and thanksgivings.*

**A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM**

*(BCP p. 126)*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

*Presider* Let us bless the Lord.  
*Responder* **Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING SENTENCE**

*(BCP p. 126)*

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.**

*2 Corinthians 13:14*