



ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, RIDGECREST
EVENING PRAYER: RITE TWO

June 16, 2022, 6:30 p.m., Zoom Meeting ID: 928 461 1047, Passcode: StMichael

Thursday after Trinity Sunday

PRESIDER

The Rev. Deacon Cathy Kline

RESPONDER

Sandy Davis

READER

Nani Banks

OPENING SENTENCE

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Presider: O God, be not far from us.

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

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

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

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.**

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 85

(BCP p. 708)

THE PSALM APPOINTED IS PSALM 85:

You have been gracious to your land, O LORD, *
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

**You have forgiven the iniquity of your people *
and blotted out all their sins.**

You have withdrawn all your fury *
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

**Restore us then, O God our Savior; *
let your anger depart from us.**

Will you be displeased with us for ever? *
will you prolong your anger from age to age?

**Will you not give us life again, *
that your people may rejoice in you?**

Show us your mercy, O LORD, *
and grant us your salvation.

**I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.

**Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

**The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.**

Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.



THE READINGS

THE FIRST READING

NUMBERS 12:1-16

NANI BANKS

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF NUMBERS.

While they were at Hazereth, Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Cushite woman whom he had married (for he had indeed married a Cushite woman); and they said, "Has the Lord spoken only through Moses? Has he not spoken through us also?" And the Lord heard it. Now the man Moses was very humble, more so than anyone else on the face of the earth.

Suddenly the Lord said to Moses, Aaron, and Miriam, "Come out, you three, to the tent of meeting." So the three of them came out. Then the Lord came down in a pillar of cloud, and stood at the entrance of the tent, and called Aaron and Miriam; and they both came forward. And he said, "Hear my words: When there are prophets among you, I the Lord make myself known to them in visions; I speak to them in dreams. Not so with my servant Moses; he is entrusted with all my house. With him I speak face to face— clearly, not in riddles; and he beholds the form of the Lord. Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?" And the anger of the Lord was kindled against them, and he departed.

When the cloud went away from over the tent, Miriam had become leprous, as white as snow. And Aaron turned towards Miriam and saw that she was leprous. Then Aaron said to Moses, "Oh, my lord, do not punish us for a sin that we have so foolishly committed. Do not let her be like one stillborn, whose flesh is half consumed when it comes out of its mother's womb." And Moses cried to the Lord, "O God, please heal her." But the Lord said to Moses, "If her father had but spit in her face, would she not bear her shame for seven days? Let her be shut out of the camp for seven days, and after that she may be brought in again." So Miriam was shut out of the camp for seven days; and the people did not set out on the march until Miriam had been brought in again. After that the people set out from Hazereth, and camped in the wilderness of Paran.

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

MATTHEW 18:10-20

NANI BANKS

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW.

Jesus said to the disciples, "Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost.

"If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among 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.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
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.

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.



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 6 (BCP p. 230)

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, 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.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

(BCP p. 125)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. 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



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