

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Evening Prayer: Rite Two



3rd Wednesday after Epiphany **Conversion of St Paul** **(transferred from Jan 25th)**

January 26, 2022 | 6:00pm Online Worship
The Reverend Daniel Leatherman, Vicar

OPENING SENTENCE

The Officiant says

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

The Officiant says to the people

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us be in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

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.

The Priest alone stands and says

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

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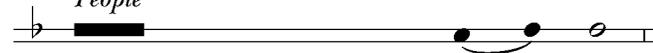
All stand

Officiant



O God, make speed to save us.

People

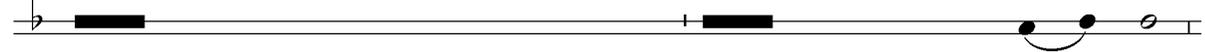


O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

Except in Lent, add:



Al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATORY HYMN *S59 O Gracious Light (Plainsong/Ford/McGregor)* (BCP p. 118)

The musical score is written on ten staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The melody is simple and plainsong-like, with a mix of quarter and half notes. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with some words underlined to indicate phrasing. The hymn is divided into two parts: Part 1 and Part 2. Part 1 consists of the first two staves, and Part 2 consists of the remaining eight staves. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

1. O gra - cious Light, pure bright - ness of the ev - er - liv - ing
Fa - ther in hea - ven, O Je - sus Christ, ho - ly and bless - ed!

2. Now as we come to the set - ting of the sun, and our
eyes be - hold the ves - per light, we sing your prais - es, O God:
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit. 3. You are wor - thy at all times
to be praised by hap - py voic - es, O Son of God, O Giv - er
of life, and to be glo - ri - fied through all the worlds.

PSALM 19 *Caeli enarrant*

¹The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

²One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

³Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,

⁴Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.

⁵In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

⁷The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul; *

the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.

⁸The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the heart; *

the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for ever; *

the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.

¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.

¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹² Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

At the end of the Psalm is sung or said

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 people sit.

The Lessons

Isaiah 45:18-25

¹⁸For thus says the Lord, who created the heavens (he is God!), who formed the earth and made it (he established it; he did not create it a chaos, he formed it to be inhabited!): I am the Lord, and there is no other. ¹⁹I did not speak in secret, in a land of darkness; I did not say to the offspring of Jacob, "Seek me in chaos." I the Lord speak the truth, I declare what is right.

²⁰Assemble yourselves and come together, draw near, you survivors of the nations!
They have no knowledge those who carry about their wooden idols, and keep on

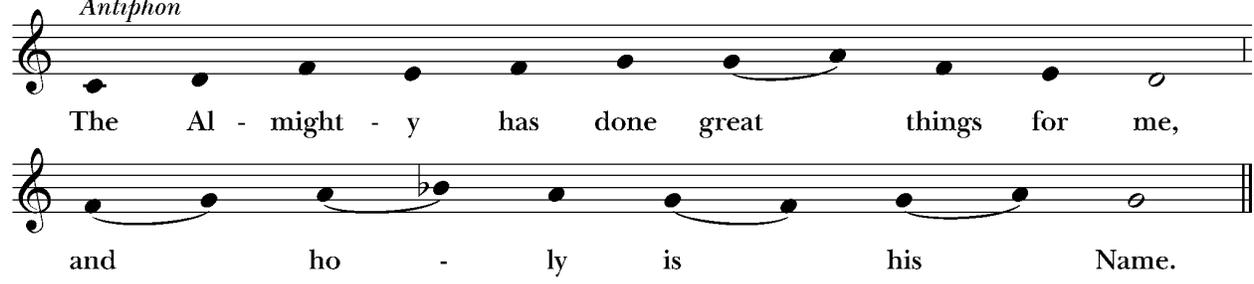
praying to a god that cannot save. ²¹Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the Lord? There is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is no one besides me. ²²Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. ²³By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness a word that shall not return: "To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear." ²⁴Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed. ²⁵In the Lord all the offspring of Israel shall triumph and glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

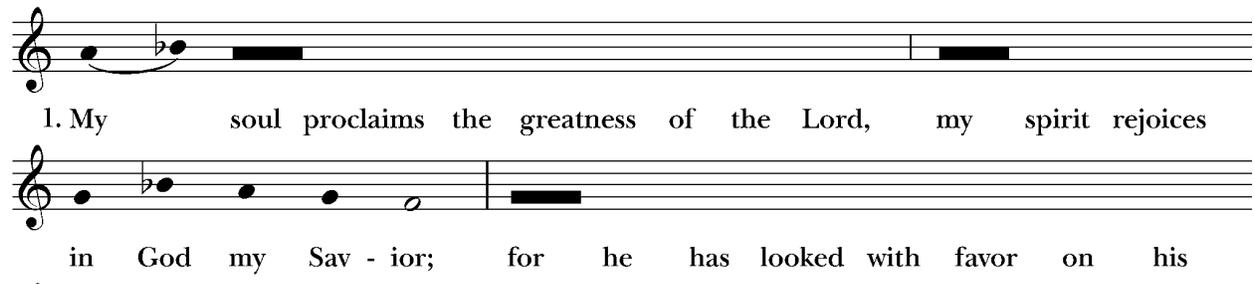
Silence may follow.

FIRST CANTICLE S 242 *The Song of Mary (Canticle 15) (Plainsong/Ford) (BCP p. 119)*

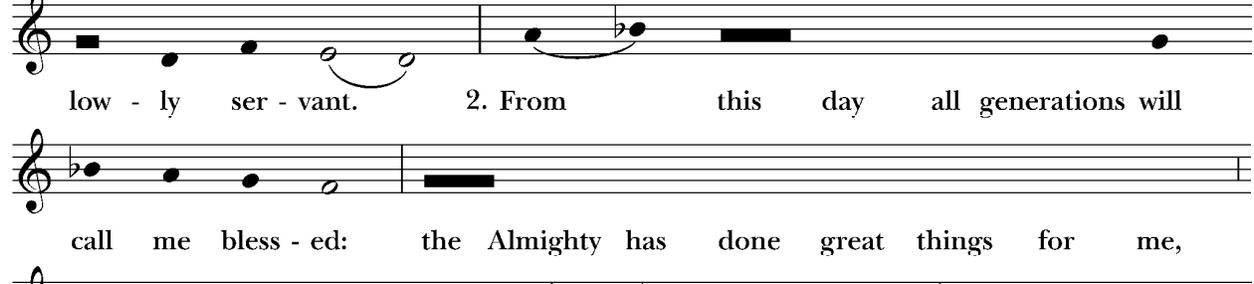
Antiphon



The Al - might - y has done great things for me,
 and ho - ly is his Name.



1. My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices
 in God my Sav - ior; for he has looked with favor on his
 low - ly ser - vant.



2. From this day all generations will
 call me bless - ed: the Almighty has done great things for me,
 and ho - ly is his Name.



3. He has mercy on those who fear him

in every gen - er - a - tion. 4. He has shown the strength of his arm,
 he has scattered the proud in their con - ceit. 5. He has cast down
 the might - y from their thrones, and has lifted up the low - ly.
 6. He has filled the hun - gry with good things, and the rich he has sent a - way
 emp - ty. 7. He has come to the help of his ser - vant Is - ra - el,
 for he has remembered his promise of mer - cy, 8. The promise he
 made to our fa - thers, to Abraham and his children for ev - er. [Ant.]
(Gloria Patri may be omitted)
 9. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:
 10. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]

SECOND READING:

Acts 9:1-22

¹Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?” ⁵He asked, “Who are you, Lord?” The reply came, “I am Jesus, whom you

are persecuting. ⁶But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.” ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. ⁸Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. ¹⁰Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” He answered, “Here I am, Lord.” ¹¹The Lord said to him, “Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.” ¹³But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; ¹⁴and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.” ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; ¹⁶I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.” ¹⁷So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, ¹⁹and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, ²⁰and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, “He is the Son of God.” ²¹All who heard him were amazed and said, “Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem among those who invoked this name? And has he not come here for the purpose of bringing them bound before the chief priests?” ²²Saul became increasingly more powerful and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Messiah.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

SECOND CANTICLE (BCP p. 119)

Antiphon

These eyes of mine have seen the Sa - vior,
whom you have pre - pared for all the world to see.
1. Lord, you now have set your ser - vant free to go in peace as you
have prom - ised; 2. For these eyes of mine have seen the Sa - vior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
3. A Light to enlight - en the na - tions, and the glory of your
(Gloria Patri may be omitted)
peo - ple Is - ra - el. [Ant.] 4. Glo - ry to the Father, and
to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit: 5. As it
was in the begin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing.

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 LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 121)

Officiant and People

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.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

SUFFRAGES (BCP p. 121)

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

We entreat you, O Lord.

Collect of the Day: Collect of the Day: The Conversion of St. Paul

O God, who by the preaching of your apostle Paul has caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we pray, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show ourselves thankful to you by following his holy teaching; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

For Mission

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.

World Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the people of Kosovo and Ukraine

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Other prayers and intercessions may follow:

Anniversaries, Recovery from sickness, Travelers, Those in trouble or bereavement, the departed, or other needs.

A Collect for Peace

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

For Those Who Need Continuing Care

Look with mercy, O God our Father, on all persons who have become ill, weak, distressed, or isolated. Provide for them homes of dignity and peace; give them understanding helpers, and the willingness to accept help; and increase their faith

and their assurance of your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

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 our selves 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.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant and People

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.*

CONCLUDING VERSICLE

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING SENTENCE

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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