

SAINT STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH EVENING PRAYER: RITE I SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2022 OBSERVING TRINITY SUNDAY



"Trinity" by Kelly Latimore, 2016

I will bless the Lord who giveth me counsel; my heart teacheth me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall. *Psalm 16:7, 8*

The Invitatory and Psalter

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.

Psalm 8

1 O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children * your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, * to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, * the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? * the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; * you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; * you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, * even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, * and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O Lord our Governor, * how exalted is your Name in all the world!

At the end of the Psalms 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.

A Reading from the Book of Proverbs (8:1-4, 22-31),

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

Ages ago I was set up,

at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth--

when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil.

When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

when he made firm the skies above,

when he established the fountains of the deep,

when he assigned to the sea its limit,

so that the waters might not transgress his command,

when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

then I was beside him, like a master worker;

and I was daily his delight,

rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world

and delighting in the human race."

Reader Here endeth the Lesson

Canticle 2 – A Song of Praise

Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers; praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou for the Name of thy Majesty; praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the temple of thy holiness; praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cherubim; praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy kingdom; praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven; praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; praised and exalted above all for ever.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (16:12 – 15),

Jesus said to the disciples, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

Reader Here endeth the Reading

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed (Rite II language)

Officiant and People together

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

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

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 for ever. Amen.

Suffrages

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful, We entreat thee, O Lord.

That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill, We entreat thee, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses, We entreat thee, O Lord.

That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world, *We entreat thee, O Lord.*

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

We entreat thee, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by thy Holy Spirit in the communion of Stephen and all thy saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ, *We entreat thee, O Lord.*

On the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of South America.

In the Diocese of Montana, we pray for St. Stephen's, Stevensville and the Rev. Richard Tardiff, Interim Priest. We also pray for Camp Marshall.

In our St. Stephen's community, we pray for Betty, Billy, Dan, Dannielle, David, Dennis, Dorothy, Ed, and Richard. We also pray for our adopted unit at The Billings Clinic hospital.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see thee in thy one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit livest and reign est, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

A Prayer for the Human Family

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Mission

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for thy love's sake. *Amen.*

Intercessions and thanksgivings may follow

General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People
Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks

for all thy goodness and loving-kindness

to us and to all men.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,

give us that due sense of all thy mercies,

that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;

and that we show forth thy praise,

not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up our selves to thy service,

and by walking before thee

in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,

be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Then may be said

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Concluding sentence

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. *Romans* 15:13

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