



# MORNING PRAYER

29 March 2020 AD

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Hymn 686 “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

1. Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace!  
Streams of mercy never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! O fix me on it,  
mount of God’s unchanging love.
2. Here I find my greatest treasure;  
hither by thy help, I’ve come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.
3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
daily I’m constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee;  
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here’s my heart, oh, take and seal it,  
seal it for thy courts above.

*Prayer Book page in brackets: [page 76]*

*Officiant:* Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil. *Joel 2:13*

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

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *[page 79]*

*Silence may be kept.*

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 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.

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

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*People* *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. 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..*

Canticle: The Venite

*metrical version - tune: Duke Street*

1. Come, let us sing to God on high,  
The Rock of our salvation praise;  
Come with thanksgiving to his courts  
And joyful psalms before him raise.
2. For God is Lord above all gods,  
The heights and depths are in his hand;  
He made the sea and it is his,  
His hands have molded the dry land.
3. Let us bow down and worship him  
Who is our maker and our Lord;  
We are his people and his sheep;  
Today, then, hearken to his Word.

The Psalter: Psalm 130 *read in unison*

1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice; \*

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*

O Lord, who could stand?

3 For there is forgiveness with you; \*

therefore you shall be feared.

4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for God; \*

in God's word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord,

more than watchers for the morning, \*

more than watchers for the morning.

6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*

for with the Lord there is mercy;

7 With the Lord there is plenteous redemption, \*

and God shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

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.

First Lesson *Ezekiel 37:1-14*

Canticle: First Song of Isaiah

*metrical version - tune: Mendon*

1. Salvation comes from God the Lord  
And I will trust him without fear:  
My stronghold and my sure defense,  
My Savior who is always near.
2. Draw water from salvation's springs,  
And on that day your joy proclaim,  
Give thanks to God, make known his deeds,  
And call upon his holy Name.
3. Exalt God's Name, the Holy One  
Has done great things for us to tell;  
Zion, ring out your joy and praise,  
The Holy One of Israel.
4. All glory to the Father, Son,  
And to the Holy Spirit be,  
As from the first it was, is now,  
And will be for eternity.

Second Lesson *John 11:1-45*

Hymn 470 “There’s A Wideness In God’s Mercy”

1. There’s a wideness in God’s mercy  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there’s a kindness in his justice,  
which is more than liberty.  
There is welcome for the sinner,  
and more graces for the good;  
there is mercy with the Savior;  
there is healing in his blood.
2. There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heaven;  
there is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgment given.  
There is plentiful redemption  
in the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the Head.
3. For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of the mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
If our love were but more faithful,  
we should take him at his word;  
and our life would be thanksgiving  
for the goodness of the Lord.

*Homily followed by a brief period of silence*

***The Apostles Creed***

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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.

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

***People*** ***And also with you.***

*Officiant* Let us pray.

Our Father . . .

Leader: Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance; [98]

***People: Govern and uphold them, now and always.***

Leader: Day by day we bless you;

***People: We praise your Name for ever.***

Leader: Lord, keep us from all sin today;

***People: Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.***

Leader: Lord, show us your love and mercy;

***People: For we put our trust in you.***

Leader: In you, Lord, is our hope;

***People: And we shall never hope in vain.***

*The Officiant then offers the Collects (prayers),  
beginning with the Collect of the Day.*

Anthem: "Come my Way," George Herbert - Dr. Jeff Jones, Soloist

*Intercessions and thanksgivings follow,  
concluded by all joining in The General Thanksgiving:*

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;

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through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

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

Hymn 493 “O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing”

1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!
2. My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
and spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of thy Name.
3. Jesus! the Name that charms our fears  
and bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life and health and peace.  
...
6. Glory to God and praise and love  
be now and ever given  
by saints below and saints above,  
the church in earth and heaven.



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*STAYING TOGETHER WHILE BEING APART*