

# Daily Morning Prayer

Friday, November 14, 2025

**Friday after the Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost, or the Twenty-first  
Sunday after Trinity (Proper 27)  
Season After Pentecost (green)**

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## Opening Sentence

Thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: “I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.”

— ISAIAH 57:15

## Confession of Sin

*The Officiant says to the People*

Dearly beloved, the Scriptures teach us to acknowledge our many sins and offenses, not concealing them from our heavenly Father, but confessing them with humble and obedient hearts that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. We ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before Almighty God, but especially when we come together in his presence to give thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hands, to declare his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things which are necessary for our life and our salvation. Therefore, draw near with me to the throne of heavenly grace.

**Almighty and most merciful Father,**  
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.  
**We have followed too much the devices and desires**  
of our own hearts.  
We have offended against your holy laws.  
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not  
to have done;  
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Spare all those who confess their faults.  
Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises  
declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

*A Deacon or layperson remains kneeling and prays*

Grant to your faithful people, merciful Lord, pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Preces

### The Preces

*All stand.*

*Officiant* O Lord, open our lips;

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

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us;

*People* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

*People* **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

*Officiant* Praise the Lord.

*People* **The Lord's Name be praised.**

## Invitatory

### Venite

*O Come*

*Officiant and People, all standing*

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

**O come, let us adore him.**

**O come, let us sing unto the Lord; \***  
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.  
**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \***

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God \*  
    and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are all the depths of the earth, \*  
    and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
    and his hands prepared the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and fall down, \*  
    and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God, \*  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
    and the sheep of his hand.

*The following verses may be omitted.*

Today, if you will hear his voice, harden not your hearts \*  
    as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness,  
When your fathers tested me, \*  
    and put me to the proof, though they had seen my works.  
Forty years long was I grieved with this generation and said, \*  
    “It is a people that err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways,”  
Of whom I swore in my wrath \*  
    that they should not enter into my rest.

— Psalm 95:1-7, 8-11

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## Psalms

### The Psalm Appointed

*Sixty Day Cycle*

### Psalm 37:1-18

*Noli æmulari*

- <sup>1</sup> Fret not yourself because of the ungodly, \*  
    neither be envious of those who are evildoers.  
<sup>2</sup> For they shall soon be dried up like the grass, \*  
    and be withered even as the green herb.

- <sup>3</sup> Put your trust in the LORD, and do good; \*  
dwell in the land, and surely you shall be fed.
- <sup>4</sup> **Delight yourself in the LORD, \***  
**and he shall give you your heart's desire.**
- <sup>5</sup> Commit your way unto the LORD and put your trust in him, \*  
and he shall bring it to pass.
- <sup>6</sup> **He shall make your righteousness as clear as the light \***  
**and your just dealing as the noonday.**
- <sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; \*  
do not grieve yourself over the one whose way prospers, over the one who carries out evil  
counsels.
- <sup>8</sup> **Refrain from wrath, and let go of anger; \***  
**fret not yourself, lest you be moved to do evil.**
- <sup>9</sup> For evildoers shall be rooted out, \*  
but those who wait patiently for the LORD, they shall inherit the land.
- <sup>10</sup> **Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone; \***  
**you shall look for their place, and they shall not be there.**
- <sup>11</sup> But the meek-spirited shall possess the land \*  
and shall be refreshed with an abundance of peace.
- <sup>12</sup> **The ungodly plot against the just \***  
**and gnash at them with their teeth.**
- <sup>13</sup> The Lord shall laugh at them in scorn, \*  
for he sees that their day is coming.
- <sup>14</sup> **The ungodly have drawn out the sword and have bent their bow \***  
**to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay those who walk aright.**
- <sup>15</sup> Their sword shall go through their own heart, \*  
and their bow shall be broken.
- <sup>16</sup> **The little that the righteous has \***  
**is better than great riches of the ungodly.**
- <sup>17</sup> For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken, \*  
but the LORD upholds the righteous.
- <sup>18</sup> **The LORD knows the days of the godly, \***  
**and their inheritance shall endure for ever.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## First Reading

### The First Lesson

*Judith 8*

A reading from the Book of Judith, beginning with the eighth chapter, the first verse

<sup>8</sup> Now in those days Judith heard about these things: she was the daughter of Merari son of Ox son of Joseph son of Oziel son of Elkiah son of Ananias son of Gideon son of Raphain son of Ahitub son of Elijah son of Hilkiah son of Eliab son of Nathanael son of Salamiel son of Sarasadai son of Israel. <sup>2</sup> Her husband Manasseh, who belonged to her tribe and family, had died during the barley harvest. <sup>3</sup> For as he stood overseeing those who were binding sheaves in the field, he was overcome by the burning heat, and took to his bed and died in his town Bethulia. So they buried him with his ancestors in the field between Dothan and Balamon. <sup>4</sup> Judith remained as a widow for three years and four months <sup>5</sup> at home where she set up a tent for herself on the roof of her house. She put sackcloth around her waist and dressed in widow's clothing. <sup>6</sup> She fasted all the days of her widowhood, except the day before the sabbath and the sabbath itself, the day before the new moon and the day of the new moon, and the festivals and days of rejoicing of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> She was beautiful in appearance, and was very lovely to behold. Her husband Manasseh had left her gold and silver, men and women slaves, livestock, and fields; and she maintained this estate. <sup>8</sup> No one spoke ill of her, for she feared God with great devotion. <sup>9</sup> When Judith heard the harsh words spoken by the people against the ruler, because they were faint for lack of water, and when she heard all that Uzziah said to them, and how he promised them under oath to surrender the town to the Assyrians after five days, <sup>10</sup> she sent her maid, who was in charge of all she possessed, to summon Uzziah and Chabris and Charmis, the elders of her town. <sup>11</sup> They came to her, and she said to them: "Listen to me, rulers of the people of Bethulia! What you have said to the people today is not right; you have even sworn and pronounced this oath between God and you, promising to surrender the town to our enemies unless the Lord turns and helps us within so many days. <sup>12</sup> Who are you to put God to the test today, and to set yourselves up in the place of God in human affairs? <sup>13</sup> You are putting the Lord Almighty to the test, but you will never learn anything! <sup>14</sup> You cannot plumb the depths of the human heart or understand the workings of the human mind; how do you expect to search out God, who made all these things, and find out his mind or comprehend his thought? No, my brothers, do not anger the Lord our God. <sup>15</sup> For if he does not choose to help us within these five days, he has power to protect us within any time he pleases, or even to destroy us in the presence of our enemies. <sup>16</sup> Do not try to bind the purposes of the Lord our God; for God is not like a human being, to be threatened, or like a mere mortal, to be won over by pleading. <sup>17</sup> Therefore, while we wait for his deliverance, let us call upon him to help us, and he will hear our voice, if it pleases him. <sup>18</sup> "For never in our generation, nor in these present days, has there been any tribe or family or people or town of ours that worships gods made with hands, as was done in days gone by. <sup>19</sup> That was why our ancestors were handed over to the sword and to pillage, and so they suffered a great catastrophe before our enemies. <sup>20</sup> But we know no other god but him, and so we hope that he will

not disdain us or any of our nation.<sup>21</sup> For if we are captured, all Judea will be captured and our sanctuary will be plundered; and he will make us pay for its desecration with our blood.<sup>22</sup> The slaughter of our kindred and the captivity of the land and the desolation of our inheritance—all this he will bring on our heads among the Gentiles, wherever we serve as slaves; and we shall be an offense and a disgrace in the eyes of those who acquire us.<sup>23</sup> For our slavery will not bring us into favor, but the Lord our God will turn it to dishonor.<sup>24</sup> “Therefore, my brothers, let us set an example for our kindred, for their lives depend upon us, and the sanctuary—both the temple and the altar—rests upon us.<sup>25</sup> In spite of everything let us give thanks to the Lord our God, who is putting us to the test as he did our ancestors.<sup>26</sup> Remember what he did with Abraham, and how he tested Isaac, and what happened to Jacob in Syrian Mesopotamia, while he was tending the sheep of Laban, his mother’s brother.<sup>27</sup> For he has not tried us with fire, as he did them, to search their hearts, nor has he taken vengeance on us; but the Lord scourges those who are close to him in order to admonish them.”<sup>28</sup> Then Uzziah said to her, “All that you have said was spoken out of a true heart, and there is no one who can deny your words.<sup>29</sup> Today is not the first time your wisdom has been shown, but from the beginning of your life all the people have recognized your understanding, for your heart’s disposition is right.<sup>30</sup> But the people were so thirsty that they compelled us to do for them what we have promised, and made us take an oath that we cannot break.<sup>31</sup> Now since you are a God-fearing woman, pray for us, so that the Lord may send us rain to fill our cisterns. Then we will no longer feel faint from thirst.”<sup>32</sup> Then Judith said to them, “Listen to me. I am about to do something that will go down through all generations of our descendants.<sup>33</sup> Stand at the town gate tonight so that I may go out with my maid; and within the days after which you have promised to surrender the town to our enemies, the Lord will deliver Israel by my hand.<sup>34</sup> Only, do not try to find out what I am doing; for I will not tell you until I have finished what I am about to do.”<sup>35</sup> Uzziah and the rulers said to her, “Go in peace, and may the Lord God go before you, to take vengeance on our enemies.”<sup>36</sup> So they returned from the tent and went to their posts.

Here ends the Reading.

## First Canticle

### TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

*We Praise You, O God*

*The following Canticle is sung or said, all standing*

**We praise you, O God; we acclaim you as Lord; \***

all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.  
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, \*  
    the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, \*  
    heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
The glorious company of apostles praise you. \*  
    The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. \*  
    Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:  
    Father, of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all praise, \*  
    and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
You, Christ, are the king of glory, \*  
    the eternal Son of the Father.  
When you took our flesh to set us free \*  
    you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.  
You overcame the sting of death \*  
    and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You are seated at God's right hand in glory. \*  
    We believe that you will come to be our judge.  
Come then, Lord, and help your people, \*  
    bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints \*  
    to glory everlasting.

*The following verses may be omitted*

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance; \*  
    govern and uphold them now and always.  
Day by day we bless you; \*  
    we praise your Name for ever.  
Keep us today, Lord, from all sin; \*  
    have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, show us your love and mercy, \*  
    for we have put our trust in you.  
In you, Lord, is our hope; \*  
    let us never be put to shame.

## Second Reading

### The Second Lesson

*Acts 15:22-35*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, beginning with the fifteenth chapter, the twenty-

second verse

<sup>22</sup> Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brothers, <sup>23</sup> with the following letter: “The brothers, both the apostles and the elders, to the brothers who are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. <sup>24</sup> Since we have heard that some persons have gone out from us and troubled you with words, unsettling your minds, although we gave them no instructions, <sup>25</sup> it has seemed good to us, having come to one accord, to choose men and send them to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, <sup>26</sup> men who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>27</sup> We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. <sup>28</sup> For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements: <sup>29</sup> that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.” <sup>30</sup> So when they were sent off, they went down to Antioch, and having gathered the congregation together, they delivered the letter. <sup>31</sup> And when they had read it, they rejoiced because of its encouragement. <sup>32</sup> And Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, encouraged and strengthened the brothers with many words. <sup>33</sup> And after they had spent some time, they were sent off in peace by the brothers to those who had sent them. <sup>35</sup> But Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Canticle

### BENEDICTUS

*The Song of Zechariah*

*The following Canticle is sung or said, all standing*

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \***  
he has come to his people and set them free.  
**He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \***  
born of the house of his servant David.  
**Through his holy prophets he promised of old**  
that he would save us from our enemies, \*

from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.  
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation \*  
by the forgiveness of their sins.  
In the tender compassion of our God \*  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness  
and in the shadow of death, \*  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

— LUKE 1:68-79

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

### The Apostle's Creed

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*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 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 your spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*The People kneel or stand.*

Lord, have mercy upon us  
**Christ, have mercy upon us**  
Lord, have mercy upon us  
*Officiant and People*

**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.

### The Suffrages

*Officiant* O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

*People* And grant us your salvation.

*Officiant* O Lord, guide those who govern us

*People* And lead us in the way of justice and truth.

*Officiant* Clothe your ministers with righteousness

*People*      **And let your people sing with joy.**

*Officiant*    O Lord, save your people

*People*      **And bless your inheritance.**

*Officiant*    Give peace in our time, O Lord

*People*      **And defend us by your mighty power.**

*Officiant*    Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten

*People*      **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

*Officiant*    Create in us clean hearts, O God

*People*      **And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

## Collect(s) of the Day

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*Friday after the Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost, or the Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity (Proper 27)*

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

### Collect of the Day

*Consecration of Samuel Seabury, First Bishop in North America, 1784*

O God, our heavenly Father, you raised up your faithful servant Samuel Seabury to be Bishop and pastor in your Church and to feed your flock: Give abundantly to all pastors the gifts of your Holy Spirit, that they may minister in your household as true servants of Christ and stewards of your divine mysteries; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## **Additional Collects**

### **A Collect for Endurance**

*Friday*

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the Cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **A Prayer for Mission**

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone works great marvels: Send down upon our clergy and the congregations committed to their charge the life-giving Spirit of your grace, shower them with the continual dew of your blessing, and ignite in them a zealous love of your Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **Intercessions, Thanksgivings, and Praise**

*The Officiant may invite the People to offer intercessions and thanksgivings.*

*A hymn or anthem may be sung.*

## **Final Prayers**

### **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. John Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: 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.**

### Dismissal

#### Dismissal and Grace

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

— EPHESIANS 3:20-21