

# St. Patrick's and Our Saviour

## EVENING PRAYER



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VII SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## Prelude

*Allein Gott in der Höh sei her (All glory be to God on high)* by Johannes Pachelbel

Ben Gessner

*The Officiant begins the service with the following call and response*

*Officiant* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord has risen indeed. Alleluia!

## The Invitatory and Psalter

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

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

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. Alleluia.

Pascha Nostrum *from WLP*

Ben Gessner, Melody Sheffield

- 1 God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;  
forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 2 Now Christ is raised and will not die again;  
death has no more dominion over him;  
Through him we die to sin and live to God.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 3 In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:  
though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh die,  
in Christ's new life shall all be made alive.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36     *Exsurgat Deus*

- 1     Arise, O God, and let your enemies be scattered; \*  
      let those who hate you flee before you.
- 2     Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; \*  
      as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at your presence, O God.
- 3     But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before you; \*  
      let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4     We sing praises to your holy Name;  
      we exalt the One who rides upon the heavens; \*  
      yours is the Name in which we rejoice!
- 5     Guardian of orphans, defender of widows, \*  
      in God's own habitation.
- 6     You give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom, \*  
      but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- 7     O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
      when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8     The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
      at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*  
      at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9     You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
      you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10    Your people found their home in it; \*  
      in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
- 33    Sing to God, O nations of the earth; \*  
      sing praises to the Holy One,
- 34    Who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens, \*  
      who sends forth a voice, a mighty voice.
- 35    Ascribe power to God, \*  
      whose majesty is over Israel, whose strength is in the skies.
- 36    How wonderful is God in the holy places; \*  
      the God of Israel giving strength and power to the people: blessed be God!

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 Lesson

### A Reading from the Gospel according to John

(John 17:1-11)

After he had spoken these words, Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

The Word of the Lord.

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

**The Song of Mary** *Magnificat from ELW*

Ben Gessner, Melody Sheffield, David Hogue

*Luke 1:46-55*

1     My soul proclaims your greatness, Lord;  
I sing my Savior's praise!  
You looked upon my lowliness,  
and I am full of grace.  
Now ev'ry land and ev'ry age  
this blessing shall proclaim—  
great wonders you have done for me,  
and holy is your name.

2     To all who live in holy fear  
your mercy ever flows.  
With mighty arm you dash the proud,  
their scheming hearts expose.  
The ruthless you have cast aside,  
the lowly throned instead;  
the hungry filled with all good things,  
the rich sent off unfed.

3     To Israel, your servant blest,  
your help is ever sure;  
the promise to our parents made  
their children will secure.  
Sing glory to the Holy One,  
give honor to the Word,  
and praise the Pow'r of the Most High,  
one God, by all adored.

## Homily

The Reverend Nick Roosevelt

## 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 Prayers

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant*      Let us pray.

*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.

## Prayers of the People

We gather in our homes and yet together as one, praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need. Our response to each petition is, "Your mercy is great."

*A brief silence.*

We pray for all who minister in the church, especially Michael and Elizabeth, our Presiding Bishops; Kevin and Scott, our Bishops; Frank, our Bishop-elect, Nick, our Priest and Pastor; Joy, our Deacon; Gabriel, our Seminarian; and for us, the baptized, who minister with them, that churches devastated by the virus be upheld and that we may live the Gospel enfolding all in God's love. God of unity, hear us: **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for people in positions of authority and public trust, especially, Donald, our president, Brian, our governor, and for all legislators, judges, public servants, and for those in uniform, that they may serve your justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person. God of unity, hear us: **Your mercy is great.**

Nurture the life of your creation. Support those who explore the mysteries of your universe. We praise you for all the scientists who have enriched our understanding of creation. Help all online teachers to instruct our children in the ways of nature. God of unity, hear us: **Your mercy is great.**

Come to the aid of all who suffer. We pray for those who are laden with grief, overwhelmed by anxiety, or struggling without medical care. Uphold all health-care workers who attend to coronavirus patients. Comfort all families and friends who cannot embrace their loved ones at the time of death. We give into your care all the sick, especially those we name here before you (*especially*). God of unity, hear us: **Your mercy is great.**

Again we pray: give the world a vaccine. God of unity, hear us: **Your mercy is great.**

As we observe Memorial Day, we pray for peace around the world. Protect all soldiers, and assure them of your never-failing strength. Shield the vulnerable who live in paths of violence. We pray especially for the people of Afghanistan and Syria. God of unity, hear us: **Your mercy is great.**

To know you is to have eternal life. We praise you for the lives of all who have died in the faith and who now live in you (*especially*). At the end, bring us with all your saints into your presence. God of unity, hear us: **Your mercy is great.**

With bold confidence in your love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God of our past, our present, and our future, we place all for whom we pray into your circle of love, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## *The Collect of the Day*

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

*A Collect for Memorial Day*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in whose hands are the living and the dead: we give you thanks for all your servants who have laid down their lives in the service of their country. Grant to them your mercy and the light of your presence; and give us a lively sense of your righteous will, that the work which you have begun in them may be perfected; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A Collect for Mission*

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your 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 your love's sake. **Amen.**

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

*Hyfrydol*

St. Patrick's Virtual Choir

1. Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2. Alleluia! not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how:  
though the cloud from sight received him,  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

3. Alleluia! bread of Heaven,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

4. Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

5. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! His the triumph,  
his the victory along;  
Hark! The songs of holy Zion  
Thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

## *A General Thanksgiving*

### *Officiant and People*

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

### *Officiant then concludes with the following*

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*

## **A note about the psalms**

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