

Monday – Year 2 Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Evening Prayer

### **Opening Sentence**

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.  
Psalm 141:2

### **Versicle and Response**

O God, make speed to save us.

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.

### **Invitatory**

O gracious light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!  
Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

### **Psalms**

Psalm 9

1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; \*  
I will tell of all your marvelous works.  
2 I will be glad and rejoice in you; \*  
I will sing to your Name, O Most High.  
3 When my enemies are driven back, \*  
they will stumble and perish at your presence.  
4 For you have maintained my right and my cause; \*  
you sit upon your throne judging right.  
5 You have rebuked the ungodly and destroyed the wicked; \*  
you have blotted out their name for ever and ever.  
6 As for the enemy, they are finished, in perpetual ruin, \*  
their cities plowed under, the memory of them perished;  
7 But the LORD is enthroned for ever; \*  
he has set up this throne for judgment.  
8 It is he who rules the world with righteousness; \*  
he judges the peoples with equity.  
9 The LORD will be a refuge for the oppressed, \*  
a refuge in time of trouble.  
10 Those who know your Name will put their trust in you, \*  
for you never forsake those who seek you, O LORD.

11 Sing praise to the LORD who dwells in Zion; \*  
proclaim to the peoples the things he has done.  
12 The Avenger of blood will remember them; \*  
he will not forget the cry of the afflicted.  
13 Have pity on me, O LORD; \*  
see the misery I suffer from those who hate me,  
O you who lift me up from the gate of death;  
14 So that I may tell of all your praises  
and rejoice in your salvation \*  
in the gates of the city of Zion.  
15 The ungodly have fallen into the pit they dug, \*  
and in the snare they set is their own foot caught.  
16 The LORD is known by his acts of justice; \*  
the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.  
17 The wicked shall be given over to the grave, \*  
and also all the people that forget God.  
18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten, \*  
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever.  
19 Rise up, O LORD, let not the ungodly have the upper hand; \*  
let them be judged before you.  
20 Put fear upon them, O LORD; \*  
let the ungodly know they are but mortal.

#### Psalm 15

1 LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \*  
who may abide upon your holy hill?  
2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \*  
who speaks the truth from his heart.  
3 There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no evil to his friend; \*  
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.  
4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
but he honors those who fear the LORD.  
5 He has sworn to do no wrong \*  
and does not take back his word.  
6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, \*  
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.  
7 Whoever does these things \*  
shall never be overthrown.

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.

#### Reading

#### Hebrews 4:14-5:6

14 Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested\* as we are, yet without sin.

16 Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

5 Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. 2 He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; 3 and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. 4 And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

5 So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

‘You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you’;  
6 as he says also in another place,  
‘You are a priest for ever,  
according to the order of Melchizedek.’

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **Canticle 17**

Lord, you now have set your servant free \*  
to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \*  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

A Light to enlighten the nations, \*  
and the glory of your people Israel.

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 Apostle's Creed**

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 be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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**

Show us your mercy, O Lord;

And grant us your salvation.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

Let your people sing with joy.

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

For only in you can we live in safety.

Lord, keep this nation under your care;

And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth;

Your saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

### **Collect of the Day: The Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### **A Collect for Peace**

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

### **For Mission**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **Prayers and Intercessions**

Let us pray now for our own needs and those of others.

### **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

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.

### **Benediction**

Let us bless the Lord.

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