

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER

13 May 2020 – 5:30PM

Almighty God, you have revealed to your Church your eternal Being of glorious majesty and perfect love as one God in Trinity of Persons:
Give us grace that, like your bishop Gregory of Nazianzus, we may continue steadfast in the confession of this faith, and constant in our worship of you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; for you live and reign for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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OPENING SENTENCE

The Officiant says

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

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

VERSICLE

Officiant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People And your glory all the day long.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

ANTIPHON

Alleluia. Christ is risen. O come let us worship. Alleluia.

PSALM: PSALM 37:3-6, 32-33

³Trust in the LORD, and do good;
so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.

⁴Take delight in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

⁵Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.

⁶He will make your vindication shine like the light,
and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

³²The wicked watch for the righteous,
and seek to kill them.

³³The LORD will not abandon them to their power,
or let them be condemned when they are brought to trial.

At the end of the Psalm 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.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: WISDOM 7:7-14

⁷Therefore I prayed, and understanding was given me; I called on God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. ⁸I preferred her to scepters and thrones, and I accounted wealth as nothing in comparison with her. ⁹Neither did I liken to her any priceless gem, because all gold is but a little sand in her sight, and silver will be accounted as clay before her. ¹⁰I loved her more than health and beauty, and I chose to have her rather than light, because her radiance never ceases. ¹¹All good things came to me along with her, and in her hands uncounted wealth. ¹²I rejoiced in them all, because wisdom leads them; but I did not know that she was their mother. ¹³I learned without guile and I impart without grudging; I do not hide her wealth, ¹⁴for it is an unfailing treasure for mortals; those who get it obtain friendship with God, commended for the gifts that come from instruction.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: JOHN 8:25-32

²⁵They said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Why do I speak to you at all? ²⁶I have much to say about you and much to condemn; but the one who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." ²⁷They did not understand that he was speaking to them about the Father. ²⁸So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own, but I speak these things as the Father instructed me. ²⁹And the one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him." ³⁰As he was saying these things, many believed in him. ³¹Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

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HOMILY

REV'D SEPHANIE JENKINS

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, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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

SALUTATION

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

SUFFRAGE

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Amen.

PRAYER 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.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant and People

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.

CONCLUDING VERSICLE

Let us bless the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

CONCLUDING SENTENCE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13:14

Announcements

Pledges

While technology allows us to do many things online, passing the collection plate is not one of them. Now, perhaps more than ever, it is vitally important that we all remember our financial commitment to the life and ministry of our church, and as much as we are able, to keep up with our pledges and giving. Thank you so much for continuing to send in your pledge checks.

Prayer Requests

While the church building is closed for services, meetings and gatherings, let us not forget about each other. Check in on those who may not have a way to get the things they need. If any of you need anything while we are encouraged to stay at home, please give us a call, send us an email at standrewslawton@att.net, or reach out to those in the congregation who can help you. No one needs to be going without during this time. Let us all band together to make sure everyone is doing well. Someone will be around to receive messages off the phone, and/or answer emails.

Adult Formation Class

The Rev'd Isaac Mwangi will be leading Adult Formation by Zoom each Sunday at 9am! He will be reading the book of Acts Chapters 4 and 5.

Click following link and use Meeting ID and Password below:
[https://zoom.us/j/147411284?pwd==cmRiazBzcU9mYXY4Q2UyajFYakNTQT09](https://zoom.us/j/147411284?pwd=<u>=cmRiazBzcU9mYXY4Q2UyajFYakNTQT09</u>)

Meeting ID: 147 411 284

Password: 019842

OR --- Dial following number for phone/audio participation 1 312 626 6799

Sing Along

We're going to have a hymn sing-along!

Send your favorite hymn to Holli at holli.le@lawtonps.org or Deb at

flores2540@sbcglobal.net
Holli and Deb will use the most popular requests to create a video presentation.

Then you join us in making a joyful noise.... apart but together.

IN RESPONSE TO SECURITY CONCERNS THE “NEW” FRONT DOOR LOCK HAS BEEN REKEYED AND A BUZZER TO AUTOMATICALLY OPEN THE DOOR HAS BEEN INSTALLED AT THE ADMINISTRATOR’S DESK. IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS, PLEASE CONTACT RUTH DUTCHER - SENIOR WARDEN.

THE MAY 15TH DATE BISHOP ED SET TO REASSESS THE POSSIBILITY OF OPENING CHURCH BUILDINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE IS NEAR, AND I HAVE LEARNED THROUGH OUR CLERGY CONFERENCE CALLS THAT THE BUILDINGS WILL NOT BE OPEN FOR WORSHIP THE SUNDAY AFTER MAY 15. BISHOP ED IS IN CONVERSATION WITH HEALTH AUTHORITIES FOR THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA AND WHILE I KNOW WE WISH IT WAS TOMORROW (MYSELF INCLUDED), I ALSO REMAIN THANKFUL FOR HIS COMMITMENT THAT CONSIDERS FOREMOST, THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL WHEN DISCERNING THE TIMING OF OPENING CHURCH BUILDINGS. PLEASE KNOW YOUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP AND I ARE ACTIVELY PLANNING FOR A RETURN TO THE USE OF CHURCH BUILDINGS FOR WORSHIP AS WELL AS CONTINUED USE OF TECHNOLOGY TO ATTEND WORSHIP UNTIL EVERYONE IS COMFORTABLE RETURNING TO THE CHURCH BUILDING.

IF YOU MISSED IT, BE SURE TO WATCH TO A “LIVE READING” VIA ZOOM FROM THE BOOK OF JONAH. YOU CAN FIND IT ON OUR ST ANDREW’S FACEBOOK PAGE OR OUR ST ANDREW’S YOUTUBE CHANNEL -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h-HHXbrOcw&t=6s>

REV’D ISAAC MWANGI BEGINS WITH THE PRE-STORY BACKGROUND OF THE BOOK OF JONAH, FOLLOWED BY THE “LIVE READING.”

NARRATOR KIMI CHAMBERS

THE WORD OF THE LORD GLEN BOYER

SHIP CAPTAIN JAIME FRANCO

SAILORS JANA GOWAN

JONAH TRENT DOCKSTETTER

KING OF NINEVEH DAVE SAUL

REV’D ISAAC WILL FOLLOW UP THE READING THE INSIGHTS AND DISCUSSION.