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Service Bulletin for 9 March 2025

First Sunday of Lent

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

### PROCESSION: Lord, I Need You

Lord I come, I confess  
Bowing here, I find my rest  
Without You, I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart

#### *Chorus*

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You  
Every hour, I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are, Lord, I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

#### *Chorus*

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

#### *Chorus*

### THE GREAT LITANY (*all kneeling*)

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

Remember not, Lord Jesus, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forebears; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare your people, whom you have redeemed with your most precious blood, and by your mercy preserve us forever.

**Spare us, good Lord.**

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the works and assaults of the devil; from your wrath and everlasting condemnation,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all lack of charity,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all disordered and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of your Word and commandments,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your holy nativity and submission to the Law; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your agony and bloody sweat; by your Cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your glorious resurrection and ascension; by the sending of the Holy Spirit; by your heavenly intercession; and by your coming again in power and great glory,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

In all times of tribulation; in all times of prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

We sinners beseech you to hear us, O Lord God: That it may please you to rule and govern your holy Church universal in the right way,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To illumine all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of your Word; and that, both by their preaching and living, they may show it accordingly,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To send forth laborers into your harvest; to prosper their work by your Holy Spirit; to make your saving health known unto all nations; and to hasten the coming of your kingdom,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To give all your people increase of grace to hear your Word with humility, to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To give us a heart to love and fear you, and diligently to keep your commandments,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and keep all your people,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to rule the hearts of your servant *N*, the *President/Sovereign/Prime Minister*, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and show mercy, and walk humbly before you,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and guide all judges, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and keep our armed forces by sea, and land, and air, and to shield them in all dangers and adversities,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and protect all who serve their communities by their labor and learning,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To give and preserve for us and for others the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that at the harvest we all may enjoy them,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To make wars to cease in all the world, and to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to show mercy on all prisoners and captives; refugees, the homeless, and the hungry; and all those who are desolate and oppressed,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To preserve all who are in danger by reason of their work or travel,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To strengthen the bonds of those in Holy Matrimony; to uphold the widowed and abandoned; and to comfort all whose homes are torn by strife,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To protect the unborn and their parents, and to preserve all women in childbirth;

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To care for those who have lost children or face infertility, and to provide for young children and orphans,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To visit the lonely and those who grieve; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit; and to comfort with your presence those who are failing and infirm,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To support, help, and deliver all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To have mercy upon all people,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sin, negligence, and ignorance; and to endue us with the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy Word,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To strengthen those who stand; to encourage the faint-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To grant that, in the fellowship of all the saints, we may attain to your heavenly kingdom,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.

**Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**Grant us your peace.**

O Christ, hear us.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations, and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## LESSONS

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1–11

At the conclusion of the OT lesson the reader says: The Word of the Lord.

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

### Psalm 91

- <sup>1</sup> Whoever dwells under the defense of the Most High  
shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
- <sup>2</sup> **I will say unto the LORD, “You are my refuge and my stronghold,  
my God in whom I will trust.”**
- <sup>3</sup> For he shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter  
and from the deadly pestilence.
- <sup>4</sup> **He shall defend you under his wings, and you shall be safe under his feathers;  
his faithfulness and truth shall be your shield and buckler.**
- <sup>5</sup> You shall not be afraid of any terror by night,  
nor of the arrow that flies by day,
- <sup>6</sup> **Of the pestilence that walks in darkness,  
nor of the sickness that destroys at noonday.**
- <sup>7</sup> A thousand shall fall beside you, and ten thousand at your right hand,  
but it shall not come near you.
- <sup>8</sup> **Indeed, with your eyes you shall behold  
and see the reward of the ungodly.**
- <sup>9</sup> Because you have said, “The LORD is my refuge,”  
and have made the Most High your stronghold,
- <sup>10</sup> **There shall no evil happen to you,  
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.**
- <sup>11</sup> For he shall give his angels charge over you,  
to keep you in all your ways.
- <sup>12</sup> **They shall bear you in their hands,  
that you hurt not your foot against a stone.**
- <sup>13</sup> You shall tread upon the lion and adder;  
the young lion and the serpent you shall trample under your feet.
- <sup>14</sup> **“Because he has set his love upon me, therefore I will deliver him;  
I will lift him up, because he has known my Name.**
- <sup>15</sup> He shall call upon me, and I will hear him;  
indeed, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him and bring him honor.
- <sup>16</sup> **With long life I will satisfy him,  
and show him my salvation.”**

**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.**

New Testament: Romans 10:4–13

At the conclusion of the NT lesson the reader says: The Word of the Lord.

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

### Open My Eyes

Open my eyes, Lord  
Help me to see Your face  
Open my eyes, Lord  
Help me to see

Open my ears, Lord  
Help me to hear Your voice  
Open my ears, Lord  
Help me to hear

Gospel: The reader introduces the Gospel lesson saying: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke (4:1–13).

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel lesson, the reader says: The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Open my heart, Lord  
Help me to love like You  
Open my heart, Lord  
Help me to love

I live within You  
Deep in Your heart, oh love  
I live within You  
Rest now in me

#### NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



## SERMON

### OFFERTORY: Jesus Paid It All

I hear the savior say  
Thy strength indeed is small  
Child of weakness watch and pray  
Find in me thine all in all

#### *Chorus*

Jesus paid it all  
All to him I owe  
Sin had left a crimson stain  
He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find  
Thy power and thine alone  
Can change the leper's spots  
And it melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne  
I stand in him complete  
Jesus died my soul to save  
My lips shall still repeat

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying: Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

### CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION, AND COMFORTABLE WORDS

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker and judge of us all:**

**We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses,  
which we have committed by thought, word, and deed  
against your divine majesty,  
provoking most justly your righteous anger against us.**

**We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions;  
the burden of them is more than we can bear.**

**Have mercy upon us,**

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;**

**and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Presbyter:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise him all creatures here below,  
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **THE SURSUM CORDA**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

### **THE SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

### **PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your abundant and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table;  
but you are the same Lord,  
whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,  
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

### **THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

### **THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION**

#### **What Wondrous Love Is This?**

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb Who is the great "I Am,"  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;  
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And through eternity I'll sing on.

### **Grace Greater than All Our Sin**

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,  
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!  
Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured,  
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

#### *Chorus*

Grace, grace, God's grace,  
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
Grace, grace, God's grace,  
Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold,  
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;  
Grace that is greater—yes, grace untold—  
Points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,  
Freely bestowed on all who believe!  
All who are longing to see His face,  
Will you this moment His grace receive?

#### *Chorus*

### **His Mercy Is More**

#### *Chorus*

Praise the Lord  
His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness  
New every morn'  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Chorus*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Chorus*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

O Lord and heavenly Father,  
we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness  
mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;  
asking you to grant that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ,  
and through faith in his Blood,  
we and your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins,  
and all other benefits of his passion.  
And here we offer and present to you,  
O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies,  
to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice.  
We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion,  
may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction.  
And although we are unworthy,  
because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice,  
yet we ask you to accept this our duty and service that we owe,  
not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### **LENTEN PRAYER FOR HOLY AFFECTIONS**

**O Lord our God, grant us grace to desire you with our whole heart:**  
that desiring you, we may seek you;  
and that seeking you, we may find you;  
and that finding you, we may love you;  
and that loving you, we may hate those sins from which you have delivered us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

All our problems  
**We send to the cross of Christ.**  
All our sins  
**We send to the cross of Christ.**  
All the devil's works  
**We send to the cross of Christ.**  
All our hopes  
**We set on the risen Christ.**

#### **RECESSION**

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**