



Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist at the Church of St. Paul, Cambria

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Opening Hymn 371

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.
Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, light to the blind and joy to the afflicted, in your only-begotten Son you have given us a high priest who is just and compassionate toward those who groan beneath the burden of oppression and sorrow. Listen to the cry of our prayer as we confess our sins against You and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Lord, open our lips
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm 63:1-8 Deus, Deus meus

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for
you, as in a barren and dry land where
there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your
holy place, that I might behold your
power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life
itself; my lips shall give you praise.
So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up
my hands in your Name.

My soul is content, as with marrow and
fatness, and my mouth praises you with
joyful lips, When I remember you upon
my bed, and meditate on you in the night
watches.

For you have been my helper, and under
the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
My soul clings to you; your right hand holds
me fast.

Psalm 34:1-8

1 I will bless the LORD at all times; * his praise
shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the LORD; * let the humble hear
and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let
us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me * and
delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant, * and let not
your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who
fear him, * and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; * happy
are they who trust in him!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us
the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we
may obtain what you promise, make us love what
you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The **first lesson** is Job (42:1-6,10-17)

Then Job answered the LORD: "I know that you
can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can

be thwarted. 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.' I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes." And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God.

Canticle 12: The Song of Creation

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Let the earth glorify the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills, and all that grows upon the earth, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams, * O whales and all that move in the waters.
All birds of the air, glorify the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild, * and all you flocks and herds.
O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
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 **second lesson** is from **Hebrews (7:23-28)**

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently,

because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever. Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 16: The Song of Zechariah

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;* he has come to this 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 the shadow of death,* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
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 Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **St. Mark (10:46-52)**

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here."

And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Sermon Music

Let us affirm our faith:

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth.

Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Our faith is centered on Christ, who revealed to us the healing touch of God's justice and mercy. We now call on God to continue that same healing and justice in our lives and in our world, saying: Lord, have mercy.

(As the Spirit moves you, please take turns reading one or more of the petitions. Please observe a short silence at the indicated times.)

May the leaders of governments see the needs of the oppressed and respond in justice. (silence) For this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.**

May ministers continue Christ's mission of healing for all that is blind in their communities. (silence) For this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.**

May those who are in need of healing find in Christ a source of strength in their struggles. (silence) For this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.**

May those who cannot discover ways to be of service be challenged in their lives of faith.

(silence) For this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.**

May those who serve on military deployments, be kept safe in the midst of dangers and temptations:

(silence) For this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.**

May all people of good faith, especially all the children of Abraham, see each other as brothers and sisters under one God: (silence) For this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

May those who have died live eternally in the presence of God, in whom all find comfort and peace. (silence) For this we pray. **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, we seek your face in our lives. Touch us with your Spirit of justice and healing, through Christ your Son, in whom we pray. **Amen.**

Offertory: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Hymn 764WLP

Prayer over the gifts: God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving (EP A)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord;

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might (Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption,
O Father,...

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

As teacher and healer, Jesus came to us from God. Now for the world's salvation and God's glory, we pray as Jesus taught us:

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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the banquet of the Lamb.

Communion of the People

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honor and glory

Let us pray. **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Knowing that all of our community cannot share the Eucharist in person, we affirm that the true mystical communion of Christ and His Church is spiritual and grounded in faith. Therefore, we commit ourselves to the reality that Christ is present with us wherever we are. **Amen.**

Blessing:

May the God of Justice and Mercy grace you with a full measure of his love, and may it flow through you to those around you, and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** *Greet one another in the Lord's name.*

Announcements

Thanksgiving Prayer: We give you thanks, O God, for your many blessings: for our days of celebration, for the love that surrounds us, for your healing presence in our lives. Keep us in your care, we pray, and help us to live as truly thankful people. Amen.

Closing Hymn 410

Dismissal:

Seeking to follow the Teacher who came not to be served but to serve, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.