



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
CANTERBURY

Daily Prayer in Lent
28 February ~ 6 March 2021

Sunday

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O Lord, make haste to help us.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear to my cry;

hold not your peace at my tears.

Praise

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In your compassion bring grace and forgiveness,
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Anselm (1109)

The Word of God

Psalm 148.1b-6

- 1 O praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all his angels:
O praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon:
praise him, all you stars of light.
- 4 Praise him, you highest heaven:
and you waters that are above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord:
for he commanded and they were made.
- 6 He established them for ever and ever:
he made an ordinance which shall not pass away.

Reading

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

Genesis 12.1-3

Response

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Psalm 34.12-19

- 12 I am a thing of horror to my friends:
and those that see me in the street shrink from me.
- 13 I am forgotten like one dead and out of mind:
I have become like a broken vessel.
- 14 For I hear the whispering of many:
and fear is on every side;
- 15 While they plot together against me:
and scheme to take away my life.
- 16 But in you, Lord, have I put my trust:
I have said 'You are my God.'
- 17 All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies
and from my persecutors.
- 18 Make your face to shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake.
- 19 O Lord, let me not be confounded,
for I have called upon you:
but let the wicked be put to shame
and brought to silence in the grave.

Reading

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

James 2.12-17

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Psalm 5.2-6, 12-13

- 2 In the morning when I pray to you,
surely you will hear my voice:
at daybreak I lay my prayers before you, and look up.
- 3 For you are not a God who
takes pleasure in wickedness:
nor can any evil dwell with you.
- 4 The boastful cannot stand in your sight:
you hate all those that work mischief.
- 5 Those who speak lies you destroy:
you abhor the treacherous, O Lord,
and those that are stained with blood.
- 6 But because of your great goodness
I will come into your house:
I will bow down toward your holy temple
in awe and fear of you.
- 12 Be the defender of those who love your name:
let them exult because of you.

13 For you will bless, O Lord, those that are righteous:
you will cover them with your favour as with a shield.

Reading

Endear yourself to the congregation;
bow your head low to the great.
Give a hearing to the poor,
and return their greeting politely.
Rescue the oppressed from the oppressor;
and do not be hesitant in giving a verdict.
Be a father to orphans,
and be like a husband to their mother;
you will then be like a son of the Most High,
and he will love you more than does your mother.

Sirach 4.7-10

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Psalm 98.1-6

- 1 O sing to the Lord a new song:
for he has done marvellous things;
- 2 His right hand and his holy arm:
they have got him the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his salvation:
he has revealed his just deliverance
in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness
towards the house of Israel:
and all the ends of the earth
have seen the salvation of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth:
break into singing and make melody.
- 6 Make melody to the Lord upon the harp:
upon the harp and with the sounds of praise.

Reading

'Let us lie in wait for the righteous man,
because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions;
he reproaches us for sins against the law,
and accuses us of sins against our training.
He professes to have knowledge of God,
and calls himself a child of the Lord.
He became to us a reproof of our thoughts;
the very sight of him is a burden to us,
because his manner of life is unlike that of others,
and his ways are strange.
Let us condemn him to a shameful death,
for, according to what he says, he will be protected.'

Wisdom 2.12-15,20

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Psalm 107.1-9

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:
for his loving mercy is for ever.
- 2 Let the Lord's redeemed say so:
whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,
- 3 And gathered in from every land,
from the east and from the west:
from the north and from the south.
- 4 Some went astray in the wilderness and in the desert:
and found no path to an inhabited city;
- 5 They were hungry and thirsty:
and their heart fainted within them.
- 6 Then they cried to the Lord in their distress:
and he took them out of their trouble.
- 7 He led them by the right path:
till they came to an inhabited city.
- 8 Let them thank the Lord for his goodness:
and for the wonders that he does
for the children of Adam;

9 For he satisfies the thirsty:
and fills the hungry with good things.

Reading

You will say on that day:

I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
and you comforted me.

Surely God is my salvation;

I will trust, and will not be afraid,
for the Lord God is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say on that day:

Give thanks to the Lord,
call on his name;
make known his deeds among the nations;
proclaim that his name is exalted.

Isaiah 12.1-4

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Psalm 14.1-4,7

- 1 Fools have said in their hearts 'There is no God':
they have all become vile and abominable in their doings,
there is not one that does good.
- 2 The Lord looked down from heaven
upon the children of Adam:
to see if there were any who would act wisely
and seek after God.
- 3 But they have all turned out of the way,
they have all alike become corrupt:
there is none that does good, no not one.
- 4 Are all the evildoers devoid of understanding:
who eat up my people as they eat bread,
and do not pray to the Lord?
- 7 O that deliverance for Israel might come forth from Zion:
when the Lord turns again the fortunes of his people,
then shall Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.

Reading

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;

he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

Isaiah 5.3-4, 7

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- 2 I will be wise in the way of innocence:
O when will you come to me?
- 3 I will walk within my house:
in purity of heart.
- 7 My eyes shall look to the faithful in the land,
and they shall make their home with me:
those who walk in the way of innocence,
they shall minister to me.
- 8 No one who practises deceit shall live in my house:
no one who utters lies shall stand in my sight.

Reading

Look down from heaven and see,
from your holy and glorious habitation.
Where are your zeal and your might?
The yearning of your heart and your compassion?
They are withheld from me.
For you are our father,
though Abraham does not know us
and Israel does not acknowledge us;
you, O Lord, are our father;
our Redeemer from of old is your name.
Why, O Lord, do you make us stray from your ways
and harden our heart, so that we do not fear you?
Turn back for the sake of your servants,
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Isaiah 63.15-17

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