

**Morning Prayer**  
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 09, 2020  
St. James Episcopal Church  
Alexandria, Louisiana

*These are a few pointers that might be of help if you are not familiar with Morning Prayer. This long-standing prayer service is found in the Book of Common Prayer. You can find a free electronic version at <https://bcponline.org/>*

We begin on **page 78 with this Opening Sentence**: The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. *John 4:23*

We confess our sins, using the words found on **page 79**.

We move to the **Invitatory and Psalter** - on **page 80**.

We then pray in unison the **Venite** - on **page 82**.

Sonny Trammell will lead us in **praying Psalms 66 & 67, responsively by whole verse**.

Sonny reads from **Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians (11.21-31)**.

We pray in unison **Canticle 13 - A Song of Praise** - on **page 90**.

Deacon Michael Parham reads the Gospel (**Mark 4.35-41**).

A sermon is offered from Fr. Tim.

We affirm our faith in the words of **The Apostles' Creed** - on **page 96**.

We pray the **Lord's Prayer** in unison - on **page 97**.

Deacon Michael leads us as we **pray Suffrages B responsively** - on **page 98**.

Fr. Tim prays the **Collect for Sundays** - on **page 99**.

Deacon Michael prays the **Collect for Guidance** - on **page 100**.

Fr. Tim prays for the **Mission of the Church** - on **page 100**.

Deacon Michael invites our prayers and thanksgivings - on **page 101**.

We pray **The General Thanksgiving** in unison - on **page 101**.

We pray **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom** in unison - on **page 102**.

Deacon Michael then dismisses us, and Fr. Tim ends with a blessing - on **page 102**.

We will share in a brief, virtual "Narthex time" to greet one another following the service, when you can say hello to fellow parishioners.

**People pray in bold.**

**66** *Jubilate Deo*

1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; \*  
sing the glory of his Name;  
sing the glory of his praise.

**2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! \*  
because of your great strength your enemies  
cringe before you.**

3 All the earth bows down before you, \*  
sings to you, sings out your Name."

**4 Come now and see the works of God, \*  
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.**

5 He turned the sea into dry land,  
so that they went through the water on foot, \*  
and there we rejoiced in him.

**6 In his might he rules for ever;  
his eyes keep watch over the nations; \*  
let no rebel rise up against him.**

7 Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

**8 Who holds our souls in life, \*  
and will not allow our feet to slip.**

9 For you, O God, have proved us; \*  
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

**10 You brought us into the snare; \*  
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

11 You let enemies ride over our heads;  
we went through fire and water; \*  
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

**12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings  
and will pay you my vows, \*  
which I promised with my lips  
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.**

13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts  
with the smoke of rams; \*  
I will give you oxen and goats.

**14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, \*  
and I will tell you what he has done for me.**

15 I called out to him with my mouth, \*  
and his praise was on my tongue.

**16 If I had found evil in my heart, \*  
the Lord would not have heard me;**

17 But in truth God has heard me; \*  
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

**18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \*  
nor withheld his love from me.**

*67 Deus misereatur*

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

**2 Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
your saving health among all nations.**

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.

**4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations upon earth.**

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.

**6 The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**

7 May God give us his blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

*At the end of the Psalms 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.**

## A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians

(11.21-31)

<sup>21</sup>To my shame, I must say, we were too weak for that!

But whatever anyone dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. <sup>22</sup>Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. <sup>23</sup>Are they ministers of Christ? I am talking like a madman—I am a better one: with far greater labours, far more imprisonments, with countless floggings, and often near death. <sup>24</sup>Five times I have received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. <sup>25</sup>Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I received a stoning. Three times I was shipwrecked; for a night and a day I was adrift at sea; <sup>26</sup>on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from bandits, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers and sisters; <sup>27</sup>in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, hungry and thirsty, often without food, cold and naked. <sup>28</sup>And, besides other things, I am under daily pressure because of my anxiety for all the churches. <sup>29</sup>Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to stumble, and I am not indignant?

<sup>30</sup> If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. <sup>31</sup>The God and Father of the Lord Jesus (blessed be he for ever!) knows that I do not lie.

## A reading from the Gospel according to Mark

(4.35-41)

<sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'