

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Midweek Evening Prayer for the Season of Easter April 29, 2020

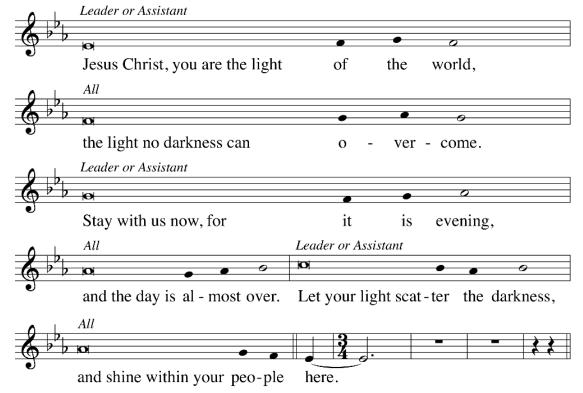
Rev. Jessica Hahn, Presiding Minister

During our "Stay Home. Stay Safe." orders, we will offer videos of Evening Prayer on Wednesdays each week to provide an opportunity to gather in prayer and worship as a community. Readings will be selected from within the current week's Daily Revised Common Lectionary or a commemoration for the day.

Today we commemorate Saint Catherine of Siena, Italy (1347-1380).

This theologian was the first woman among Roman Catholics to receive the title "Doctor [teacher] of the Church." Catherine was a Dominican sister known for her mystical visions as well as her work on behalf of people who were poor and imprisoned.

SERVICE OF LIGHT



GATHERING HYMN

ELW #419

For All the Faithful Women



- 1 For all the faith-ful wom en who served in days of old, Insert one or more of stanzas 3-11 or this general stanza 2:
- 2 O God, for saints and ser vants, those named and those un-known, Last All praise to God the Fa ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.

in whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone, All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.

we of - fer glad thanks-giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.

that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise. we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.

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EVENING THANKSGIVING





Let us sing our thanks to God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader Blessed are you, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.



PRAYER

A prayer attributed to Catherine of Siena

P Let us pray.

Power of the eternal Father, help me. Wisdom of the Son, enlighten the eye of my understanding. Tender mercy of the Holy Spirit, unite my heart to yourself. Eternal God, restore health to the sick and life to the dead. Give us a voice, your own voice, to cry out to you for mercy for the world. You, light, give us light. You, wisdom, give us wisdom. You, supreme strength, strengthen us.

C Amen.

Sit

LAMENTATIONS 3:31-33

³¹For the Lord will not reject for ever.

³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

PSALM 119:73-80

⁷³Your hands have made me and | fashioned me; give me understanding, that I may learn | your commandments.

⁷⁴Those who fear you will be glad | when they see me, because I trust | in your word.

⁷⁵I know, O LORD, that your judg- | ments are right and that in faithfulness you have af- | flicted me.

⁷⁶Let your lovingkindness | be my comfort, as you have promised | to your servant.

⁷⁷Let your compassion come to me, that | I may live, for your teaching is | my delight.

⁷⁸Let the arrogant be put to shame, for they wrong | me with lies; but I will meditate on | your commandments.

⁷⁹Let those who fear you re- | turn to me, those who know | your decrees.

⁸⁰Let my heart be sound | in your statutes, that I may not be | put to shame.

1 JOHN 1:5 - 2:2

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

P Word of God, Word of life. C Thanks be to God.

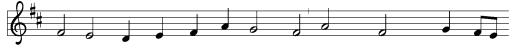
LUKE 12:22-24, 29-31

²²Jesus said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁹And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. ³⁰For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well."

P Word of God, Word of life. C Thanks be to God.

HYMN <u>ELW #488 v. 1, 2, & 4</u>

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness



- 1 Soul, a dorn your self with glad ness, leave the gloom y
- 2 Has ten as bride to meet him, ea a ger ly and faith Ι hum - bly 3 Now in pon - der O ver this sur -
- 4 Je sus, source of last ing plea sure, tru est friend, and



haunts of sad - ness, - to the day - light's splen - dor, come in greet him. glad - ly There he stands al - read - y knock - ing; won - der bound - less pass - ing that the bread of life is dear - est trea - sure, peace be - yond all un - der - stand - ing,



there with joy your prais - es ren - der. Bless the one whose grace unquick - ly, now, your gate un-lock - ing, though the souls it feeds are count - less; with the choic - est wine of joy in - to all life ex-pand - ing: hum - bly now, I bow be -



a - maz - ing ban - quet found - ed; Christ, though heav'n - ly, bound-ed this por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal: "Come, and leave your heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you; wor - thi - lv



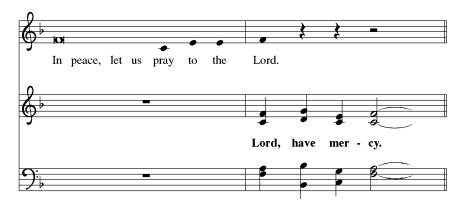
dwell with high, and ho ly, deigns to you most low - ly. loved one nev - er; dwell with - in heart for - ev - er." my con - so - la tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion. re - ceive and, fa - vored, nev - er leave you. me you, so

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Stand

PRAYERS

The presiding minister will chant the prayers. Each petition will end, "let us pray to the Lord", and the congregation will respond by singing, "Lord, have mercy."



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the health of the creation, for abundant harvests that all may share, and for peaceful times, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For public servants, the government, and those who protect us; for those who work to bring peace, justice, healing, and protection in this and every place, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who travel, for those who are sick and suffering, and for those who are in captivity, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance in the time of affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us | pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For Catherine of Siena and all servants of the church, for the body of Christ united by the Spirit, and for all people who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all the prayers of our hearts, (especially those in need of strength and healing..., and those prayers we now lift up to you, either silently or aloud), let us | pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. *A time of silence follows.*

Giving thanks for all who have gone before us and are at rest, rejoicing in the communion of all the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to you, (the petition concludes as follows)



The prayers conclude:

- P O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray:
- C 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,
 forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING



DISMISSAL

- P Let us go forth in peace.
- C Amen.



SERVING AT TRINITY

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