



ST. MARTIN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

To bring by the power of the Holy Spirit as many people as possible to know, love, and serve God as revealed through Jesus Christ; and to be transformed into spiritually renewed disciples of Jesus who know, love and serve one another and the world.

Wednesday May 27, 2020

AN ORDER OF SERVICE FOR NOONDAY

Noonday Prayer begins on page 103 of The Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

Officiant            O God, make speed to save us.

**People            O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*Officiant and People*

**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.**

*One or more of the following Psalms is said in unison.*

PSALM 121: 1-8 (BCP page 779)

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*Levavi oculos*

- 1     I lift up my eyes to the hill;\*  
      from where is my help to come?
- 2     My help comes from the LORD,\*  
      the maker of heaven and earth.

- 3 He will not let your foot be moved\*  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel\*  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you;\*  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day,\*  
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil;\*  
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and  
your coming in,\*  
from this time forth for evermore.

**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.**

*One of the following, or some other suitable passage of Scripture, is read*

## THE FIRST LESSON

### **A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians 2:4-9. . .**

*Ephesians 2:4-9*

And, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Slaves, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, in singleness of heart, as you obey Christ; not only while being watched, and in order to please them, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart. Render service with enthusiasm, as to the Lord and not to men and women, knowing

that whatever good we do, we will receive the same again from the Lord, whether we are slaves or free. And, masters, do the same to them. Stop threatening them, for you know that both of you have the same Master in heaven, and with him there is no partiality.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

### **A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark 10:17-22**

*Mark 10:17-22*

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, ‘Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: “You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.”’ He said to him, ‘Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.’ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, ‘You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.’ When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

*A homily or meditation, silent or spoken, may follow.*

*The Officiant then begins the Prayers*

Lord, have mercy.

***Christ, have mercy.***

Lord, have mercy.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Officiant and People*

**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.**

Officiant        Lord, hear our prayer;

**People            And let our cry come to you.**

Officiant        Let us pray.

*The Officiant then says one of the following Collects. If desired, the Collect of the Day may be used.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *(BCP page 226)*

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.  
*Amen.*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(BCP page 387, Form III)*

Father, we pray for thy holy catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee;

**That thy Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for our Anglican Communion; for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for our Bishops, Andy, Jeff, Kai and Hector, for all bishops, priests and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in thy sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

For Donald, our President, the Congress and the Courts; for all who serve in our armed forces and their families; we pray for peace throughout the world, and especially in the Middle East; and we pray for the victims of terror attacks; and we remember before you, and pray for the protection of our Christian brothers and sisters who face danger or persecution for their faith; and we pray for victims of all natural disasters; For the many people who have contracted the coronavirus; for comfort for those grieving loved ones who have died and peace for those who are fearful as the virus spreads, for those in isolation, those who have lost their job or their business, for parents who find

themselves trying to home school their children, and for all those in our communities involved in ministering to the sick, especially for all health care workers; we pray for the safety of all law enforcement agents, firefighters, paramedics and all first responders who provide security and protection to the citizens they serve, and we pray for those in the hospitals, and those for whom our prayers have been requested and for those on our Continuing Prayer List; and for all the blessings of this life, and we remember before you the departed and we give thanks for their lives and pray for their loved ones left behind.

I invite your own prayers and intercessions.

*The service concludes as follows*

#### THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

#### THE DISMISSAL

Officiant            Let us bless the Lord.

People                **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**