

CHRIST'S COLLEGE CHAPEL



**A SERVICE OF
MORNING PRAYER
SUNDAY 9:30am**

Gathering & Welcome

Minister: O Lord open thou our lips.

All: **And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

Minister: O God, make speed to save us.

All: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Opening Canticle

We say the opening canticle (Psalm 113.1-3, 5) together

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants: O praise the Name of the Lord.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

The Lord's Name is praised: from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath his dwelling so high: and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?

Confession

We enter a time of confession.

Minister: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us:

But if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(1 John 1.8-9)

Let us confess our sins together to our Heavenly Father.

All: **ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us:**

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.

Restore thou them that are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord:

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Minister: Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

First reading: Exodus 3.1-10

¹ Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. ³ So Moses thought, 'I will go over and see this strange sight – why the bush does not burn up.'

⁴ When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, 'Moses! Moses!'

And Moses said, 'Here I am.'

⁵'Do not come any closer,' God said. 'Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.' ⁶Then he said, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

⁷The Lord said, 'I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey – the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. ⁹And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. ¹⁰So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.'

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

After the first reading, we say the Te Deum together.

The Te Deum

We praise thee, O God:
we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee:
the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud:
the heavens, and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin: Continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth.
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty: of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles: praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets: praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs: praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world:
doth acknowledge thee;
The Father: of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true: and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son: of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man:
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death:
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God:
in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come: to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants:
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints:
in glory everlasting.
O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage.
Govern them: and lift them up for ever.
Day by day: we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name: ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us:
as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted:
let me never be confounded.

Second reading: Acts 2.1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting.

³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: 'Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!' ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, 'What does this mean?'

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, 'They have had too much wine.'

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

After the second reading, we hear a homily, after which we say the Jubilate (Psalm 100) together.

The Jubilate

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
Serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a
song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
It is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people,
and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his
courts with praise:
Be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
And his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

We turn east to affirm our faith in the words of the Creed.

All: **I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

We turn to pray.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with thy spirit.**

Minster: Let us pray.

Minster: Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: **Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,**

**As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil. Amen.**

Minister: O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

All: **And grant us thy salvation.**

Minister: O Lord, save the Queen.

All: **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Minister: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

All: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Minister: O Lord, save thy people.

All: **And bless thine inheritance.**

Minister: Give peace in our time, O Lord.

All: **Because there is none other that fighteth for
us, but only thou, O God.**

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

All: **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

The First Collect, for the Day:

O Lord, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Second Collect, for Peace:

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear

the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Third Collect, for grace:

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The minister then leads the congregation in prayers for the chapel, the college, the world, and those in need, followed by the Collect of St Chrysostom:

Leader: Almighty God...

All: **who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests:**

Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; Granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

Final Blessing

We conclude with a final prayer:

All: **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.**