



*A Service of Morning Prayer*

*January 10, 2021*

THE EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH OF THE ADVENT  
MEDFIELD, MA



# SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER

January 10, 2021  
9.30am

Prelude                    *“From God the Father, Virgin-Born”*            — arr. Johnson

Opening Hymn No. 398 *I sing the almighty power of God*

## **Opening Sentence**

**Officiant:** I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

## **Confession**

**Officiant:** Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**People:** **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

**Officiant:** Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## The Invitatory and Psalter

**Officiant:** Lord, open our lips.

**People:** **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.  
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.**

**All:** **Alleluia.**

### *The Jubilate*

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.

2 Know this: The Lord himself is God;  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

4 For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting;  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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## Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; \*  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"

10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**All: 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.**

**The First Reading**

**Genesis 1:1-5**

**Lector:** A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

**Lector:** The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle 20 Glory to God** *Gloria in excelsis*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**The Second Reading**

**Mark 4:4-11**

**Officiant:** A reading for the Gospel of St. Mark.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

**Officiant:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

### **The Apostles' Creed**

**People:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **The Prayers**

**Officiant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Officiant:** Let us pray

**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:** Show us your mercy, O Lord;

**People:** **And grant us your salvation.**

**Officiant:** Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

**People:** **Let your people sing with joy.**

**Officiant:** Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**People:** **For only in you can we live in safety.**

**Officiant:** Lord, keep this nation under your care;

**People:** **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

**Officiant:** Let your way be known upon earth;

**People:** **Your saving health among all nations.**

**Officiant:** Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

**People:** **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

**Officiant:** Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**People:** **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

**Officiant:** Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Officiant:** Sanctify, O Author of all healing, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing and to the prevention of disease and suffering. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified. We pray for the sick especially those suffering from the Coronavirus. We also pray for all who have requested our prayers: Bishop Alan, Bishop Gayle, Obi Aduba, Karen Amour, Stan Baker, Linda Carlough, James Ferguson Sr., Justin Heying, Sally Lawlor, Nancy Mailing, Eva Melzar, Mary Melzar, Alex Simpson, Mary Ann Simpson, Chris Tahan, Hillary, Christopher, and Riley.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**People:** Amen.

**Officiant:** Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**People:** Amen.

The Office Hymn No. 120 *The sinless one to Jordan came*

The Homily

The Rev. Marc Eames

## The Offertory

**Officiant:** Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

The Offertory Anthem      *“Prelude and Fugue No.1 in C major”*      — Bach

Doxology Hymn No. 380 v.3

The Prayer of St. Chrysostom  
*(in unison)*

**Officiant:** Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

**People:**      **Amen.**

**Officiant:** Alleluia. Alleluia.  
Let us bless the Lord.

**People:**      **Thanks be to God.**  
                 **Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**Officiant:** Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

**People:**      **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn No. 121 *Christ, when for us you were baptized*

Postlude                      *“Bright and Glorious Is the Sky”*      — arr. Johnson

**Alma Redemptoris Mater**

*Officiant:*  
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