The Order for Evening Prayer for Epiphanytide

Welcome to All Souls Anglican Church.

We look forward to sharing this LORD'S DAY with you as we worship the triune God together dispersed in our homes and places of safety. The words in **RED** tells us what to do. The text in **BOLD** is what we say together.

The Minister welcomes the people. The NOTICES may then be announced.

The Minister then may read one or more SCRIPTURE SENTENCES or a HYMN may be sung.

The Exhortation and Confession

BROTHERS and Sisters, the Holy Scripture calls us, in various places, to acknowledge and confess our many sins and wickedness; and that we should not try to hide them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with a humble, lowly, penitent and obedient heart; so that we may obtain forgiveness of them by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God, we ought to do so especially when we assemble and come together to give thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to offer the praise that is due to him, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask him to supply our needs of body and soul. So I invite you to approach the throne of heavenly grace with me, humbly and with pure intent, saying,

A GENERAL CONFESSION is said by the whole congregation with the Minister.

- **LMIGHTY** and most merciful Father,
- We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the deceits and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone the things what we ought to have done, and we have done the things that we ought not to have done; and there is no spiritual soundness within us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders.

Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who truly repent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O merciful Father, for his sake,

that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

The Declaration of Absolution

To be pronounced by the Priest alone.

A LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire the death of sinners but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live. He has commanded and authorized his Ministers to assure his people that they will receive absolution and remission when they repent of their sins. He pardons and forgives all who truly repent and sincerely believe his holy Gospel. Therefore let us ask him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, so that what we do now may please him, that the rest of our lives may be pure and holy; and that finally we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If no priest is present the Minister or the person leading the service shall read the Collect for the Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity. Then the Minister shall say or sing the LORD'S PRAYER, the people repeating with him.

Our Father which 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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Preces and Responses

Then in the same way the Minister shall say or sing,

O Lord, open our lips. And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us. **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

The Priest shall say or sing,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever; world without end. Amen.

Let us praise the Lord. **The Lord's Name be praised.**

The Psalm of the Day

Then shall follow a portion of the PSALMS from the separate PSALTER & READINGS.

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- ¹ O sing a new song to the LORD; All earth sing to the LORD.
- 2 Sing to the LORD, and bless His name;
 - "He saves!" each day proclaim.
- ³ His glory to all nations show;His deeds let peoples know.
- ⁴ The LORD is great. How great His praise! Above all gods He's feared.
- ⁵ For heathen gods are idols vain; The LORD the heavens made.
- ⁶ Before Him honor, majesty, And strength and splendor be!
- 7 O families of earth, ascribe All glory to the LORD! All strength ascribe unto the LORD;
- 8 The glory of His name Give to the LORD. To His courts come And bring an offering.

- In beautiful and holy robes
 Bring worship to the LORD.
 All earth, before Him stand in awe;
- ¹⁰Proclaim, "The LORD is King!" Controlled by Him, the world stands firm; His judgments justice bless.

¹¹Let heav'ns be glad and earth rejoice.
In vast expanse untold
Let seas speak out with endless roar.

¹²Let fields and all they hold Their glory give; let trees and woods With rustling boughs give praise.

¹³Let all prepare to greet the LORD, Because He coming is. He surely comes to judge the earth. And righteousness is His. He'll nations judge with faithfulness, The world with justice bless.

The Scripture Readings

Then shall be read the FIRST READING, taken from the Old Testament. Before the reading the reader says,

Here begins the _____ verse of the _____ chapter of the Book of _____.

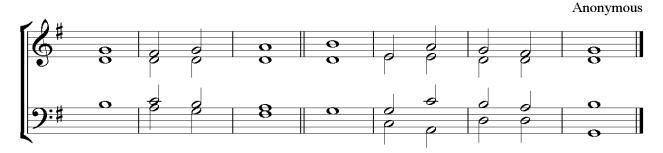
After the reading the reader says,

Here ends the first Lesson.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 17.15-27

And after that shall be said or sung Magnificat (or Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary) as follows.

Magnificat



MY soul magnifies the Lord, | | and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

For he has looked | | on the humble state of his servant.

For behold from now on || all generations will call me blessed;

for he who is mighty has done great things for me, || and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on those who fear him | | from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm; | |he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;

he has brought down the mighty from their thrones | | and exalted those of humble state; he has filled the hungry with good things, | | and the rich he has sent empty away. He has helped his servant Israel in remembrance of his mercy, | | as he spoke to our fathers, Abraham and his offspring forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, | | and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; | | world without end. Amen. Then shall be read, in like manner, the SECOND READING, taken from the New Testament. Before the reading the reader says,

Here begins the _____ verse of the _____ chapter of the Book of _____.

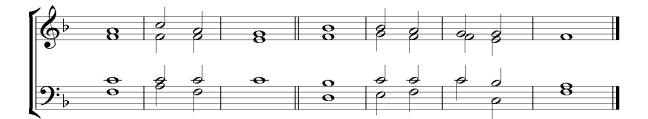
After the reading the reader says,

Here ends the second Lesson.

New Testament Reading: Acts 2.32-41

And after that shall be sung or said Nunc dimittis (or Song of Simeon) as follows.

Nunc Dimittis



LORD, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, | |according to your word; for my eyes have seen | | your salvation,

that you have prepared || in the presence of all people,

a light for revelation to the Gentiles, || and for glory to your people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, || and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; | | world without end. A-men.

Then shall be said or sung the Apostles' Creed, by the Minister and the people.

T BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come 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 Versicles and Responses

And after that these prayers following, the Minister first pronouncing,

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer may then be said.

UR Father which 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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Then the Priest, standing, shall say,

O Lord, show your mercy upon us. And grant us your salvation.

O Lord, save our nations. And mercifully hear us when we call upon you.

Endue your Ministers with righteousness. And make your chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save your people. And bless your inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord. Because there is none other who fights for us, but only you, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us. And take not your Holy Spirit from us.

Then three Collects are said or sung.

The first is always the COLLECT OF THE DAY.

The last two Collects shall be said without alteration throughout the year.

A Collect for Peace

GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all righteous works do proceed: give to us your servants that peace which the world cannot give; so that both our hearts may be set to obey your commandments, and we being delivered by you from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

A Collect for Aid against all Perils

IGHTEN our darkness, we beseech you, O Lord; and by your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Here ends the set order for Evening Prayer.

A HYMN or other song(s) may be sung and a SERMON may be preached.

The Minister may end with other prayers and general intercessions as he shall think fit.

The All Souls Cycle of Prayer: January 16, 2022

We pray for those in authority.

For Joseph our President, and Philip our Governor For the United Nations For our armed forces throughout the world

We pray for Christ's Church Militant here in earth.

For the Diocese of San Joaquin and Eric Menees, bishop For the persecuted and suffering church: Christian believers in Uzbekistan living with restrictions which make illegal sharing your faith or meeting to study the Bible

For our missionaries, Jerry & Stacy Kramer

We pray and give thanks for the ministries of this church, diocese, and province. For member's serving: Red Cross; Scouting Movement For Emmanuel West Village, NY, NY Jim Salladin, Clint Werezak, Novella Lawrence, ministers For Chaplains of the Province For Julian our Bishop, Bill our Assisting Bishop, Foley our Archbishop

We pray for human society and those who suffer or are any trouble. For the victims of the Quad-State Tornados Our sponsored children: Sulayina (Uganda), Rachel (Tanzania) Jordan Jen Charles Joe Bill Julie Julia Bev John Kathy Charlie, Mary Lou, Barbara & Jann Emily Connelly Steve, Bob, & Jaclyn Don Painter

For those most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic

For those who are waking up each day to the fallout caused by COVID-19

We give thanks with those for whom God has answered prayer.

We give thanks for God's servants who have died in the faith of Christ.

A Prayer for those in Authority

ORD God, our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; we commend this nation to your merciful care, that being guided by your providence, we may dwell secure in your peace. Grant to [*here the appropriate persons in government are named*] and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them always mindful of their calling to serve this nation and people in reverence before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Christ's Church Militant here in earth

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom comes every good and perfect gift; send down upon our Bishops and other Clergy, and on the congregations which they serve, your life-giving Spirit of grace; and, that they may truly please you, pour upon them the continuing refreshment of your blessing. Grant this, we pray, for the honor of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A Prayer for all sorts and conditions of men.

GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all the world, we humbly pray that you will reveal your ways to people of every kind and type, and your saving power to all nations. In particular, we pray for your holy, catholic Church that it may be guided and governed by your good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to your fatherly goodness all those who are in any way afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, personal welfare or material circumstances [*especially those for whom are prayers are desired*]. Be pleased holy Father, to comfort and relieve them according to their various needs; giving them patience under their suffering, and a happy deliverance out of their afflictions; for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

A General Thanksgiving

A LMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you most humble and sincere thanks for all your goodness and lovingkindness to us and to all people [*particularly to those who desire to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for your mercy granted to them*]. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Give us we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be sincerely thankful, so that we declare your praise, not only with our lips, but also in our lives; by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Him, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

A LMIGHTY God, you have given us grace at this time to bring before you with one mind our common petitions, and have promised that when two or three are gathered together in your Name you will grant their requests: we humbly ask you to fulfill now the desires and petitions of your servants, in ways that are most suitable for them, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen**.

Other prayers or thanksgivings may be said.

The Grace

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

A HYMN may be sung.

The Priest, if present, may bless the people. The Minister may then dismiss the people.

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