



## MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

### Opening Sentence

Officiant Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalm 19:14*

### Confession of Sin

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

*All kneel as able. Silence may be kept.*

**All 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 us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

*All stand as able.*

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

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

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. Alleluia.**

**Venite**

*Psalm 95:1-7*

All **Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:  
Come let us adore him.**

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; \***

**let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, \*and a great King above all gods.**

**In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

**The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

**For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand. \***

**Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

**Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:  
Come let us adore him.**

## Psalm 138

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \*  
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your Name, \*  
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name \*  
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; \*  
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*  
that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*  
O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the  
works of your hands.

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.

**First Reading****1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20, 11:14-15**

Reader        A reading from the first book of Samuel.

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day." But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so

that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles." Samuel said to the people, "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship."

So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the Lord, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

Reader            The word of the Lord.

People            Thanks be to God.

**First Canticle            A Song of Creation, Part I: The Cosmic Order**

**Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Glorify the Lord, you angels and all powers of the Lord, \***  
**O heavens and all waters above the heavens.**

**Sun and moon and stars of the sky, glorify the Lord, \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Glorify the Lord, every shower of rain and fall of dew, \***  
**all winds and fire and heat.**

**Winter and Summer, glorify the Lord, \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Glorify the Lord, O chill and cold, \***  
**drops of dew and flakes of snow.**

**Frost and cold, ice and sleet, glorify the Lord, \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Glorify the Lord, O nights and days, \***  
**O shining light and enfolding dark.**  
**Storm clouds and thunderbolts, glorify the Lord, \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**  
**Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**  
**In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \***  
**praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Second Reading**

**2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**

Reader        A reading from the second letter of Paul to the  
                  Corinthians.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reader        The word of the Lord.

**People        Thanks be to God.**

## Second Canticle

### A Song of Creation, Part II: The Earth and its Creatures

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Let the earth glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills,  
and all that grows upon the earth, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams, \*  
O whales and all that move in the waters.

All birds of the air, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild, \*  
and all you flocks and herds.

O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.



Reader        A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. "Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" — for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Reader        The word of the Lord.

**People        Thanks be to God.**

### **Third Canticle**

#### **A Song of Creation, Part III: The People of God**

**Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Let the people of God glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Glorify the Lord, O priests and servants of the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Glorify the Lord, O spirits and souls of the righteous, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**You that are holy and humble of heart, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

**In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

### **Reflection**

*The reflection may be a time of silence, a homily,  
or reading of a devotional text, story, or poem.*

## The Apostles' Creed

*Said by all, standing as able.*

**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

*The people stand or kneel as able.*

Officiant      The Lord be with you.

**People          And also with you.**

Officiant      Let us pray.

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.

### Suffrages A

Officiant	Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People	<b>And grant us your salvation.</b>
Officiant	Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People	<b>Let your people sing with joy.</b>
Officiant	Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People	<b>For only in you can we live in safety.</b>
Officiant	Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People	<b>And guide us in the way of justice and truth.</b>
Officiant	Let your way be known upon earth;
People	<b>Your saving health among all nations.</b>
Officiant	Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People	<b>Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.</b>
Officiant	Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People	<b>And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.</b>

## **The Collect of the Day**

Officiant      O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **Prayer for the Gun Violence Reduction Sabbath**

Officiant      O God who Remembers, we hold before you all who have died from the plague of gun violence in our land. We remember those who have taken their lives with a gun, those who have died in school shootings and mass shootings, those who have died by a gun in the course of an argument or from abuse or by accident or during the commission of a crime. We lift our voices in sorrow and frustration knowing that every life is infinitely valuable to you. Receive all who have died into the arms of your mercy, bless those who mourn with the hope of eternal life, and strengthen our hearts and our arms to bring an end to this scourge. This we pray in the name of the one who overcame the power of death, your son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**All            Healing and Holy God: we gather today in common grief for the epidemic of gun violence. Be with all those who suffer from the lasting trauma incidents of gun violence leave in their wake. Grant us strength and courage to live in hope of a better day, our minds fixed on the doing of your will, so that we, having been delivered from fear, may live in peace. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Skip, our Assisting Bishop; the Standing Committees of Eastern and Western Michigan; Anne, our Canon Missioner; Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant;

Church of the Mediator, Harbert – Darlene, Rector; & St. John's, Charlotte – Wendy, Priest-in-Charge.

We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Alicia, Joe, Natalie, Alex, Derek, Catherine, Rebecca, Matt, Dell, Joanna, Kurt, and Anne Marie. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Joy, Trish, Mark, Jim, Michelle, and Linda. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese.

*Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

We pray for Joe, our president; Gretchen our governor; Tom, our mayor.

*Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We pray for those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Doug, Kevin, and Kim; Bill; Marga; Doug, Jodi; Chris; Mary; Wesley; Brook; Michael; Krystal, Mekail, and Karleigh; Melissa, Justin, and Matthew; Eileen; Sharon; Sharyn; Jim; Tina; Kevin; Mark and Kim; Alex and Carolyn; Jan; Matt; Schuyler "Pete;" Sherry; Helen; Bleu; Julia and family; Mary and family; Julie and family; Howie; Wayne and Dana; Kristopher; the Beattie family; Kevin; Jim and Mary; Chuck; Judy; Lilah, Aishah, Yusuf, and family; Phil and Ann; Troy; Berniece; Maurissa; Carol; Suzy; Beth; Jerry; Jack; Julane; Nancy; Kason; Scott; Jens; Rivka; Marlene; Tammy; Derrek and Ruth; Betty

For those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: Linda, Mackale, Susie, Todd, Mitch, Marv, Jeanette, Tony, Donna, Eli, Zach, Lori, Bill, Delilah, Jen, Dawn, Paisley, Anita T., Jim T., Diana, Carol, Bud and Cindy, Dana, Reggie, Mike, Chris, Elna, Venita, Christine, Dennis, JayaRadhe (Jai-Rod-ey), Pat, Jenny and family, Dale;

For our family and friends in the armed forces:  
Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim  
And for all those we name at this time.

*Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy  
People **Hear our prayer.**



Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Officiant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The General Thanksgiving

**All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. 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. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but 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 whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

## The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements

**For a Birthday:** O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N.* as *they* begins another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**For an Anniversary:** O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Dismissal and Concluding Sentence

Officiant      Let us bless the Lord

People        **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant      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.**    *2 Corinthians 13:14*

## Announcements

**Gun Violence Reduction Sabbath:** The first week of June is commemorated as Gun Violence Awareness Week; June 4th-6th is celebrated in faith communities around the US as Gun Violence Reduction Sabbath as a time to mourn those whose lives have been lost to gun violence and to recommit to building communities of peace and safety.

**Internment of Lucille Bulson:** Lucille will be interred at the Lincoln Township Cemetery on Saturday, June 19 at 1:00 pm. All are invited to attend the graveside service.

**We have returned to in-person worship at both St. Andrew's and St. Mary's!** We will be continuing our original pattern of having Eucharist and Morning Prayer on alternate weeks.

**The worship schedule is:**

### St. Andrew's

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays – Morning Prayer

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays – Holy Eucharist

### St. Mary's

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays – Holy Eucharist

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays – Morning Prayer

**Coffee hour can return!** We are permitted to eat together again, but we are still unable to serve food at the church. Each household is required to bring their own food and may not share it with other households. Communal drinks are permitted to be served from enclosed containers. Our coffee hour leaders will be organizing the schedule of coffee hour hosts.

More information about all of our current Covid policies and guidelines may be found in The Ark (the weekly e-newsletter).

If you have an announcement you would like printed in the bulletin, please email it to [rector.cmec@gmail.com](mailto:rector.cmec@gmail.com).

<b>CHURCH SCHEDULE: JUNE 7-13</b>		
Monday	Noon-2:00 pm 8:00 pm	St. Mary's DME Open AA Meeting at St. Mary's
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Noon-1:00 pm	AA Meeting at St. Andrew's
Thursday	Noon-2:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Mary's DME Open AA Meeting at St. Mary's
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	10:15 am 10:15 am	St. Mary's: Morning Prayer St. Andrew's: Holy Eucharist

<b>LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE</b>		
<b>Service</b>	<b>Today</b>	<b>Next Sunday: June 13</b>
Officiant	Isabel Kempton	Mtr. Radha Kaminski
Reader	Janie Shepherd- Worthington	Betty Stolarek
Intercessor	Coleen Dice	Chris Lisuzzo
Music	Quiet Service	The Rev. Bob Garrels
Open/Close		

## LECTIONARY NEXT WEEK

### Seventh Sunday of Easter

**Hebrew Scripture:** 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

**Psalms:** Psalm 20

**New Testament:** 2 Corinthians 5:6-10,[11-13],14-17

**Gospel:** Mark 4:26-34

### St. Andrew's Monthly Worship Format

Our services take place at 10:15 am each Sunday.

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Morning Prayer

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Holy Eucharist

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Alternates Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist

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