

# ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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MORNING PRAYER II  
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
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Circle us Lord with your abiding grace.  
Keep hope within and despair out.

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*Officiant says to the people*

*(BCP Page 76)*

Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." ~Mark 8:34

**Confession of Sin**

*(BCP Pages 79-80)*

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Officiant and people together say*

*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.*

*The Officiant says*

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.*



# Invitatory and Psalter

(BCP Page 80)

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

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

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.*

Pause

Officiant: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

Venite *Psalms 95:1-7*

(BCP Page 82)

Come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal - va - tion Let us come be-fore his  
pres-ence with thanks-giv - ing and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the  
Lord is a great God, and a great King a - bove all gods.  
In his hand are the cav-erns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his  
al - so. The sea is his, for he made it and his hands have mold - ed the  
dry land. Come, let us bow down and bend the knee, and kneel be-fore the  
Lord our Ma - ker. For he is our God, and we are the  
peo-ple of his pas - ture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that to-  
day you would heark-en to his voice!

Psalm 130

(BCP Pages 784-785)

1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;

LORD, hear my voice; \*

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, \*

O Lord, who could stand?

3 For there is forgiveness with you; \*

therefore you shall be feared.

4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; \*

in his word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the LORD,

more than watchmen for the morning, \*

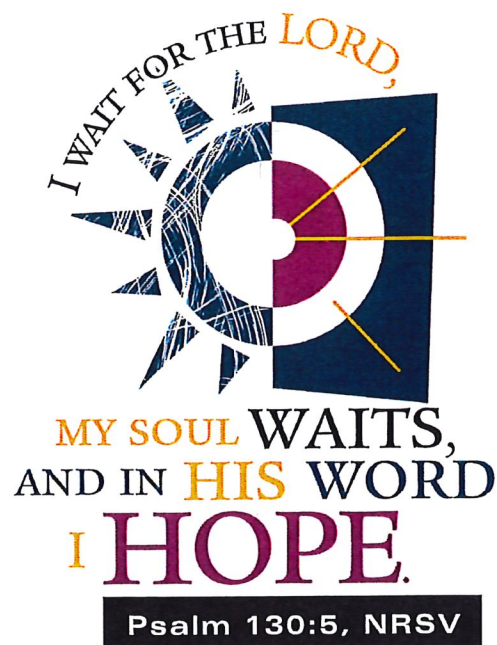
more than watchmen for the morning.

6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, \*

for with the LORD there is mercy;

7 With him there is plenteous redemption, \*

and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.



*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 LESSONS**

### **A Reading from Ezekiel 37:1-14**

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

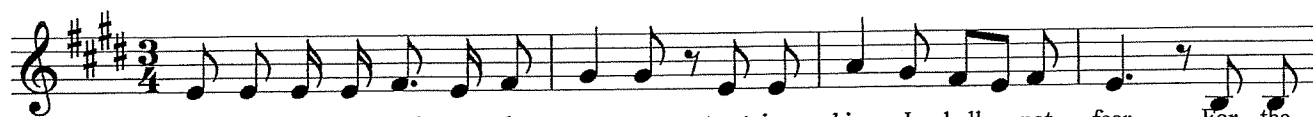
Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

*Officiant:* The word of the Lord.

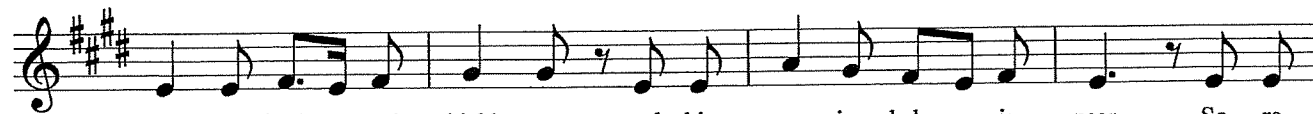
*People:* ***Thanks be to God***

## The First Song of Isaiah

(Isaiah 12:2-6, BCP Page 86)



1. Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not fear. For the  
2. Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed Name. Praise the



1. Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing help is near. So re -  
2. Lord, who has done great things; all his works his might pro - claim. Zi - on,



- 1. joice as you draw wa - ter from sal - va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the  
2. lift your voice in sing - ing; for with you has come to dwell, in your



1. day of your de - liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.  
2. ve - ry midst, the great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

## A Reading from Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

*Officiant:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

# The Song of Simeon

(Luke 2:29-32, BCP Page 93)

*Refrain*

Lord, you have ful - filled your word; now let your ser - vant de -  
- part in peace.

*Verse 1*

1. With my own eyes I have seen the sal - va - tion, which you have pre -

*to Refrain Verse 2*

- pared in the sight of ev - ry peo - ple: 2. A Light to re - veal you to the

*to Refrain*

na - tions, and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

## A Reading from John 11:1-45

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

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## A Reading from John 11:1-45

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Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

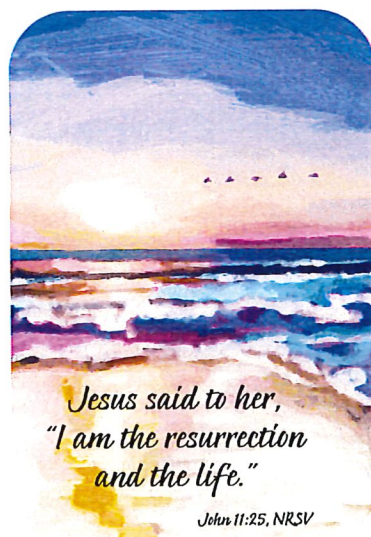
When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

*Officiant:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*





Apostles' Creed

(BCP Page 96)

*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

(BCP Page 97)

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.*

## Suffrage A

(BCP Page 97)

V.     Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R.     *And grant us your Salvation.*

V.     Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R.     *Let your people sing with joy.*

V.     Give peace, O Lord, in all the world.

R.     *For only in you can we live in safety.*

V.     Lord, keep this nation under your care

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

V.     Let your way be known upon earth;

R.     *Your saving health among all nations.*

V.     Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten.

R.     *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

V.     Create in us clean hearts, O God.

R.     *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*



**The Collect of the Day: Fifth Sunday in Lent**

(BCP Page 219)

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. *Amen.*

**A Collect for Renewal of Life**

(BCP Page 99)

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done you will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give your thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A Prayer for Mission**

(BCP Page 100)

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. *Amen.*

*A time of silence is offered as an opportunity for us to reflect on our petitions and thanksgiving.*

**Offertory**

(BCP Page 376)

“Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

**A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

(BCP Page 102)

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. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

*Continued on back.*

## The Blessing

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

