

Psalms, readings and collect

Date: 31st October – week XXX

Thursday

Venite antiphon:

God set in Heaven the luminaries and the sun; O come, let us adore Him.

Office hymns:

Mattins:

Behold the golden dawn arise;
The paling night forsakes the skies:
Those shades that hid the world from view,
And us to dang'rous error drew.

May this new day be calmly past,
May we keep pure while it shall last;
Nor let our lips from truth depart,
Nor dark designs engage the heart.

So may the day speed on; the tongue
No falsehood know, the hands no wrong;
Our eyes from wanton gaze refrain;
No guilt our guarded bodies stain.

For God all seeing from on high,
Surveys us with a watchful eye;
Each day our ev'ry act He know,
From early dawn to ev'nings close.

All laud to God the Father be:
All laud, Eternal Son to Thee:
All laud, as is for ever meet,
To God the Holy Paraclete.

Evensong:

Almighty God, Who from the flood
Didst bring to light a twofold brood:
Part in the firmament to fly,
And part in ocean depths to lie.

Appointing fishes in the sea,
And fowls in open air to be:
That each, by origin the same,
Its sep'rate dwelling place might claim:

Grant that Thy servants, by the tide
Of Blood and Water purified,
No guilty fall from Thee may know,
Nor death eternal undergo.

Let none despair thought sin's distress;
Be none puffed up with boastfulness:
That contrite hearts be not dismayed,
Nor haughty souls in ruin laid.

O Father, that we ask be done
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son:
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,
Shall live and reign eternally.

Psalm:

(37) FRET not thyself because of the ungodly : neither be thou envious against the evil-doers.

2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass : and be withered even as the green herb.

3 Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good : dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight thou in the Lord : and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.
5 Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him : and he shall bring it to pass.
6 He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light : and thy just dealing as the noon-day.
7 Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him : but grieve not thyself at him whose way doth prosper, against the man that doeth after evil counsels.
8 Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure : fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.
9 Wicked doers shall be rooted out : and they that patiently abide the Lord, those shall inherit the land.
10 Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone : thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.
11 But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth : and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace.
12 The ungodly seeketh counsel against the just: and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.
13 The Lord shall laugh him to scorn : for he hath seen that his day is coming.
14 The ungodly have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow : to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as are of a right conversation.
15 Their sword shall go through their own heart: and their bow shall be broken.
16 A small thing that the righteous hath : is better than great riches of the ungodly.
17 For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken : and the Lord upholdeth the righteous.
18 The Lord knoweth the days of the godly : and their inheritance shall endure for ever.
19 They shall not be confounded in the perilous time : and in the days of dearth they shall have enough.
20 As for the ungodly, they shall perish; and the enemies of the Lord shall consume as the fat of lambs : yea, even as the smoke shall they consume away.
21 The ungodly borroweth, and payeth not again : but the righteous is merciful and liberal.
22 Such as are blessed of God shall possess the land : and they that are cursed of him shall be rooted out.
23 The Lord ordereth a good man's going : and maketh his way acceptable to himself.
24 Though he fall, he shall not be cast away : for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.
25 I have been young, and now am old : and yet saw I never the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging their bread.
26 The righteous is ever merciful, and lendeth : and his seed is blessed.
27 Flee from evil, and do the thing that is good : and dwell for evermore.
28 For the Lord loveth the thing that is right : he forsaketh not his that be godly, but they are preserved for ever.
29 The unrighteous shall be punished : as for the seed of the ungodly, it shall be rooted out.
30 The righteous shall inherit the land : and dwell therein for ever.
31 The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom : and his tongue will be talking of judgement.
32 The law of his God is in his heart : and his goings shall not slide.
33 The ungodly seeth the righteous : and seeketh occasion to slay him.
34 The Lord will not leave him in his hand : nor condemn him when he is judged.
35 Hope thou in the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall promote thee, that thou shalt possess the land : when the ungodly shall perish, thou shalt see it.
36 I myself have seen the ungodly in great power: and flourishing like a green bay-tree.
37 I went by, and lo, he was gone : I sought him, but his place could no where be found.

38 Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right : for that shall bring a man peace at the last.

39 As for the transgressors, they shall perish together : and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.

40 But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord : who is also their strength in the time of trouble.

41 And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them : he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.

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.

Reading:

A Reading from the Gospel according to Saint Luke.

Some Pharisees came, and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, `Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. Nevertheless I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following; for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent to you! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, `Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

Responsories:

Mattins:

I will praise the Lord at all times.

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His praise shall be always on my lips.

[I will praise the Lord at all times.](#)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

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Evensong:

As Mattins.

Benedictus antiphon:

Give light, O Lord, to them that sit in darkness: and guide our feet into the way of peace,
Thou God of Israel.

Magnificat antiphon:

Show strength, O God, with Thine arm: scatter the proud and exalt the humble.

Collect of the day:

Lord, we beseech Thee to keep Thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through Thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve Thee in all good works, to the glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages world without end. Amen.

Today is the memorial of Ivy Stewart, of affectionate remembrance for many of us; please add this prayer just before the Grace:

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all, grant, we beseech Thee unto Ivy and all who have died the sure benefits of Thy Son's saving Sacrifice, that in the last day when all things shall be gathered up in Him, they may know the fullness of His Love; the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

May her soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy and love of God, rest in peace. Amen.