

An Ancient-Future Faith Community

Liturgy

August 4, 2019 (Eighth Sunday after Pentecost)

Jehovah Jireh

Jehovah Jireh! My Provider,
His grace is sufficient for me, for me, for me!
Jehovah Jireh! My Provider, His grace is sufficient for me!

My God shall supply all my need, according to His riches in glory;
He gives His angels charge over me –
Jehovah Jireh cares for me, for me, for me!
Jehovah Jireh cares for me!

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GATHERING

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!

His steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those whom He has redeemed
from the hand of the enemy and gathered to Himself.

**They cried out to the LORD in their trouble,
and He delivered them from their distress.**

Let them thank the LORD for His lovingkindness,
and for His wondrous works to the children of men.

**For He satisfies the longing soul,
and fills the hungry soul with goodness.**

All creation declares the goodness of our God:

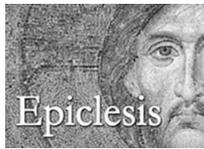
He covers the heavens with clouds, supplies the earth with rain,
and provides for His creatures, great and small.

**The LORD takes pleasure in those who fear Him,
in those who hope in His steadfast love.**

Come, let us sing praises to the LORD with songs of thanksgiving!

– from Psalms 107:1-9 and 147:1, 8-11





10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again,
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me –
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Chorus

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger;
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing –
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending –
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore.

Chorus

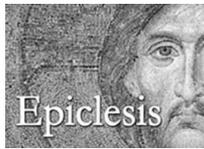
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PRAYERS OF ADORATION, INVOCATION AND THANKS

Calling on our Father God, in the Name of Jesus, inspired by the Spirit

Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God, and man the Son;
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.



Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of man:
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Let us together profess the faith of the church of all ages
in these words from the pen of the Apostle Paul:

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ,
seek the things that are above, where Christ is,
seated at the right hand of God.
Set your minds on the things above,
not on the things that are on earth.

For we have died and our life is hidden with Christ in God.

**When Christ, who is our life, is revealed,
then we also will be revealed with Him in glory.**

Put to death, therefore, whatever is earthly in you:
immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires, and greed,
which is idolatry.

**For it is because of these things that the wrath of God is coming
on those who are disobedient.**

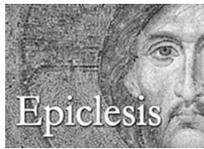
**And in them we also once walked,
when we were living in them.**

But now you also are to put off all these:

anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your lips.
Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old self
with its practices.

**We have put on the new self which is being renewed in knowledge
according to the image of our Creator,
in which there is no distinction
between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised,
barbarian, Scythian, slave and free,
but Christ is all, and in all.**

– from Colossians 3:1-11



PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Incline Your ear, O LORD, and answer me,
for I am poor and needy.

Preserve my life, for I am devoted to You;

You are my God; save Your servant, who trusts in You.

[Silence]

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for to You do I cry all the day. Gladden
the soul of your servant, for to You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

For You, O LORD, are good and forgiving,

abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon You.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace.

In the day of my trouble I call upon You, for You answer me.

[Silent confessions]

You are great and do wondrous things; You alone are God.

Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;

give me an undivided heart to fear Your name.

– Psalm 86:3-7

Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name;

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Listen, beloved! These are true words of promise and grace:

The LORD is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger and great in lovingkindness.

The LORD is good to all,

and His tender mercies are over all His works.

He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him;

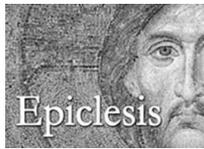
He also will hear their cry and save them.

The LORD preserves those who love Him.

All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD,

and Your saints shall bless You.

– Psalm 145: 8-10, 19-20a



TIME OF OFFERING

Words and prayers of thanksgiving and praise

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart.
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought in the day and the night;
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word.
Thou ever with me and I with Thee, Lord.
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for my fight,
Thou my whole armor, and Thou my true might.
Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower.
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance now and always.
Thou and Thou only, the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

Thou and Thou only, the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

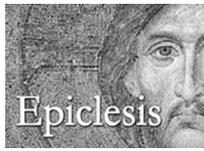
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THE WORD

Luke 12:13-21





Give Me Jesus

In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise;
In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.

Chorus:

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You can have all this world, but give me Jesus.

And when I am alone, oh, and when I am alone;
And when I am alone give me Jesus.

And when I come to die, oh, and when I come to die;
And when I come to die, give me Jesus.

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THE TABLE

Remembering the Body of Christ

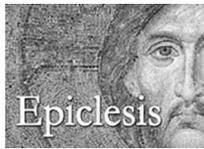
Passing of the Peace

The Lord be with you! **And also with you!**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.**



Psalm 62 (My Soul Finds Rest)

My soul finds rest in God alone,
My rock and my salvation;
A fortress strong against my foes,
And I will not be shaken.
Though lips may bless, and hearts may curse,
And lies, like arrows, pierce me,
I'll fix my heart on righteousness;
I'll look to Him who hears me.

Chorus

O praise Him, hallelujah!
My Delight and my Reward.
Everlasting, never failing;
My Redeemer, my God.

Find rest, my soul, in God alone amid the world's temptations.
When evil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my salvation.
Though riches come, and riches go, don't set your heart upon them.
The fields of hope in which I sow are harvested in heaven.

Chorus

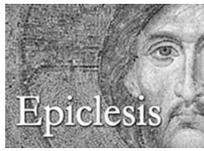
I'll set my gaze on God alone,
And trust in Him completely;
With ev'ry day pour out my soul,
And He will prove His mercy.
Though life is but a fleeting breath,
A sigh too brief to measure,
My King has crushed the curse of death,
And I am His forever.

Chorus

O praise Him, O praise Him. Hallelujah, hallelujah!
(3 times)

Chorus

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SENDING FORTH

The Life of the Body

Be Thou My Vision (verse 5)

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright sun;
Grant me its joys e'er the victory is won.
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Benediction:

Brothers and sisters, we go forth into the world to love and serve the Lord, walking before Him with a whole heart, ever mindful that our treasure is not in earthly things, but in heavenly things. Let us be known not as those who greedily store up treasures for ourselves, but as those who are rich toward God. **Amen!**

Now to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations who fear Him, forever and ever.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

A thought about worship from the Ancient Fathers –

“Let those who are thirsty come and with a full mouth drink the water of salvation from an ever-flowing fountain. By this divine food and drink the blind shall see, the deaf hear, and the dumb speak; the lame will walk, the foolish will be wise, the sick will be strong, and the dead will come to life again. The supreme and honest Judge will raise to life and to eternal light whoever has trampled on the corruptions of the earth by their righteousness. Let no one trust in riches, in badges of authority, or even in royal power. These things don't make a man immortal. For those who disregard the discipline of maturing by seeking present things throw themselves face first to the ground and will be punished as deserters from their Lord, Commander, and Father. Therefore, let us strain toward righteousness. It alone, as an inseparable companion, will lead us to God.”

– Lactantius

Lectionary for next week: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Genesis 15:1-6;
Psalm 33:12-22; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

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