

**Greatham, Empshott and Hawkley with Priors Dean**

**Book of Common Prayer by Zoom**

**Morning Prayer 17<sup>th</sup> January 2021 – 2<sup>nd</sup> of Epiphany**

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

**ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people, pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O Lord, open thou our lips.

**And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

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.**

Praise ye the Lord.

**The Lord's Name be praised.**

**THE PSALM**

**PSALM 139:1-9**

O LORD, thou hast searched me out and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising, thou understandest my thoughts long before.

**2 Thou art about my path, and about my bed : and spiest out all my ways.**

3 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue : but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

**4 Thou hast fashioned me behind and before : and laid thine hand upon me.**

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me : I cannot attain unto it.

**6 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit : or whither shall I go then from thy presence?**

7 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there : if I go down to hell, thou art there also.

**8 If I take the wings of the morning : and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;**

9 Even there also shall thy hand lead me : and thy right hand shall hold me.

**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.**

5 And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup> And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof? <sup>3</sup> And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon. <sup>4</sup> And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon. <sup>5</sup> And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof. <sup>6</sup> And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. <sup>7</sup> And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. <sup>8</sup> And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. <sup>9</sup> And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; <sup>10</sup> And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

### TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

**WE praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.**

**All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.**

**To thee all Angels cry aloud : the heavens, and all the powers therein.**

**To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,**

**Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;**

**Heaven and earth are full of thy Majesty : of thy glory.**

**The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.**

**The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.**

**The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.**

**The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;**

**The Father : of an infinite Majesty;**

**Thine honourable, true : and only Son;**

**Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.**

**Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.**

**Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.**

**When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.**

**When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

**Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.**

**We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.**

**We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.**

**Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.**

**O Lord, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.**

**Govern them : and lift them up for ever.**

**Day by day : we magnify thee;**

**And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.**

**Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.**

**O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.**

**O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.**

**O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.**

<sup>43</sup>The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me.

<sup>44</sup>Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

<sup>46</sup>And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see. <sup>47</sup>Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!

<sup>48</sup>Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee. <sup>49</sup>Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel.

<sup>50</sup>Jesus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these. <sup>51</sup>And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

## THE SERMON

### BENEDICTUS

*Luke 1.68*

**BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited and redeemed his people;  
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us : in the house of his servant David;  
As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets : which have been since the world began;  
That we should be saved from our enemies : and from the hand of all that hate us.**

**To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and to remember his holy Covenant;  
To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would give us;  
That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies : might serve him without fear;  
In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life.**

**And thou, Child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to  
prepare his ways;**

**To give knowledge of salvation unto his people : for the remission of their sins,  
Through the tender mercy of our God : whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;  
To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : and to guide our feet into the way of  
peace.**

**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.**

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose  
again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From  
thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The  
Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in 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.**

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

**And grant us thy salvation.**

O Lord, save the Queen.

**And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

**And make thy chosen people joyful.**

O Lord, save thy people.

**And bless thine inheritance.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

**Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

**And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

#### *The First Collect, for the day.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### *The Second Collect, for Peace.*

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### *The Third Collect, for Grace.*

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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#### *Other prayers may follow.*

*2 Corinthians 13.*

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

#### **The Blessing**