

Rejoice and Be Glad, Jan Richardson

Grace Episcopal Church

Wednesday Morning Prayer

June 8, 2022

We Gather in God's Name

We keep silence for a time.

The Officiant says

Thanks be to you, O God, that we have risen this day.

All We thank you for the daily resurrection of life, seen and unseen.

Officiant Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God, and whoever loves is born of God and knows God.

All Spirit of God, search our hearts today, and teach us your Way of forgiveness and love.

Officiant O Lord, open our lips;

All And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Praise to the One, Holy, and Undivided Trinity, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

We Proclaim and Respond to God's Word

Psalm | 8

○ Lord our Governor,
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

**Out of the mouths of infants and children
your majesty is praised above the heavens.**

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

**When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**

What is man that you should be mindful of him?
the son of man that you should seek him out?

**You have made him but little lower than the angels;
you adorn him with glory and honor;**

You give him mastery over the works of your hands;
you put all things under his feet:

**All sheep and oxen,
even the wild beasts of the field,**

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

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First Reading | Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

A reading from Proverbs.

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?

On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;

beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

"To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.

The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.

Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth--
when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.

When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race."

After the reading, the Reader will say

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

All Thanks be to God.

Second Reading | Romans 5:1-5

A reading from Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

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Gospel | John 16:12-15

Officiant A reading from the Gospel according to John.

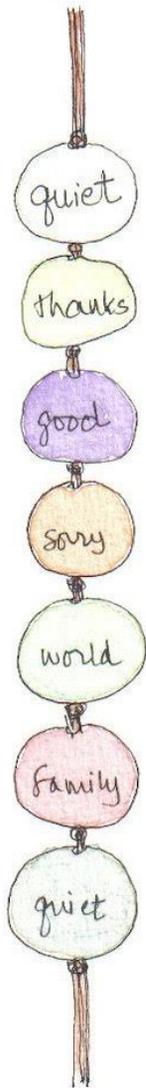
Jesus said to the disciples, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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Homily or Reflection

We Pray for the World and All People



Seven Beads - Julie Snyder '10

Let us rest quietly in the presence of God.
We gather our hearts in silent prayer.

Let us give thanks for God's blessings.
We offer prayers of thanksgiving.

Let us rejoice with those who rejoice.
We offer prayers of praise.

Let us confront ourselves with honesty.
We offer prayers of confession.

Let us intercede for the whole world.
We offer prayers for all people.

Let us pray for those closest to our hearts.
We pray for those in our parish family.

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Healing Prayers

Officiant Compassionate God: You so loved the world that you sent us Jesus to bear our infirmities and afflictions. Through acts of healing, he revealed you as the true source of health and salvation. For the sake of your Christ who suffered and died for us, conquered death, and now reigns with you in glory, hear the cry of your people. Have mercy on us, make us whole, and bring us at last into the fullness of your eternal life. **Amen.**

All are invited to name those to be included in prayers for healing, aloud or in chat. Please share only the names of those for whom we should pray.

The Officiant offers a concluding prayer for healing

Generous God, we give you thanks for your beloved Jesus Christ, in whom you have shared the beauty and pain of human life. Look with compassion upon all for whom we pray, especially [...]. Strengthen us to be your instruments of healing in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

We Are Sent into God's World

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**