



***Welcome to
Mary, Mother
Of God Church***

***Morning Prayer
On Holy Saturday***



INVITATORY

Leader: Lord, open my lips.

All: And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Leader: Come, let us worship Christ,
who for our sake suffered death and
was buried.

All: Come, let us worship Christ, who for
our sake suffered death and was buried.

Psalm 95

Leader: Come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the Rock who saves us.

All: Let us approach him with praise and thanksgiving and sing joyful songs to the Lord.

Psalm 95

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the son of God, who for our sake suffered death and was buried.

Psalm 95

Leader: The Lord is God, the mighty God,
the great king over all the gods.

He holds in his hands the depths of the earth
and the highest mountains as well. He made
the sea; it belongs to him, the dry land, too,
for it was formed by his hands.

Psalm 95

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the son of God, who for our sake suffered death and was buried.

Psalm 95

Leader: Come, then, let us bow down and worship, bending the knee before the Lord, our maker, For he is our God and we are his people, the flock he shepherds.

Psalm 95

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the son of God, who for our sake suffered death and was buried.

Psalm 95

Leader: Today, listen to the voice of the Lord:
Do not grow stubborn, as your fathers did in
the wilderness, when at Meriba and Massah
they challenged me and provoked me,
although they had seen all of my works.

Psalm 95

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the son of God, who for our sake suffered death and was buried.

Psalm 95

Leader: Forty years I endured that generation. I said, “They are a people whose hearts go astray and they do not know my ways. So I swore in my anger, “They shall not enter into my rest.”

Psalm 95

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the son of God, who for our sake suffered death and was buried.

Psalm 95

Leader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm 95

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of God, who for our sake suffered death and was buried.

Leader: Though sinless, the Lord has been put to death. The world is in mourning as for an only son.

Psalm 64

Left: Hear my voice, O God, as I complain, guard my life from dread of the foe. Hide me from the band of the wicked, from the throng of those who do evil.

Psalm 64

Right: They sharpen their tongues like swords; they aim bitter words like arrows to shoot at the innocent from ambush, shooting suddenly and recklessly.

Psalm 64

Left: They scheme their evil course;
they conspire to lay secret snares.
They say: "Who will see us?
Who can search out our crimes?"

Psalm 64

Right: He will search who searches the mind and knows the depths of the heart. God has shot them with his arrow and dealt them sudden wounds. Their own tongue has brought them to ruin and all who see them mock.

Psalm 64

Left: Then will all men fear;
they will tell what God has done.
They will understand God's deeds.
The just will rejoice in the Lord
and fly to him for refuge.
All the upright hearts will glory.

Psalm 64

Right: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Left: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm Prayer

All: Though sinless, the Lord has been put to death. The world is in mourning as for an only son.

Leader: From the jaws of hell, Lord, rescue my soul.

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Left: Once I said,

**"In the noontime of life I must depart!
To the gates of the nether world I
shall be consigned for the rest of my
years."**

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Right: I said, "I shall see the Lord
no more in the land of the living.
No longer shall I behold my fellow
men
among those who dwell in the
world."

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Left: My dwelling, like a shepherd's tent,
is struck down and borne away from me;
You have folded up my life, like a weaver
who severs the last thread.

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Right: Day and night you give me over to torment; I cry out until the dawn.

Like a lion he breaks all my bones;
day and night you give me over to torment.

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Right: Like a swallow I utter shrill cries;
I moan like a dove. My eyes grow weak,
gazing heavenward:
O Lord, I am in straits; be my surety!

Left: You have preserved my life from the
pit of destruction, When you cast behind your
back all my sins.

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Right: For it is not the nether
world that gives you thanks, nor
death that praises you;
Neither do those who go down
into the pit await your kindness.

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Left: The living, the living give you thanks, as I do today.

**Fathers declare to their sons,
O God, your faithfulness.**

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Right: The Lord is our savior;
we shall sing to stringed
instruments in the house of the
Lord
all the days of our life.

Canticle – Isaiah 38

Left: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Right: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Canticle – Isaiah 38

All: From the jaws of hell, Lord, rescue my soul.

Right: I was dead, but now I live for ever, and I hold the keys of death and of hell.

Psalm 150

Left: Praise God in his holy place,
praise him in his mighty heavens.
Praise him for his powerful deeds,
praise his surpassing greatness.

Psalm 150

Right: O praise him with sound of trumpet,
praise him with lute and harp.
Praise him with timbrel and dance,
praise him with strings and pipes.

Psalm 150

Left: O praise him with resounding cymbals, praise him with clashing of cymbals.

Let everything that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord.

Psalm 150

Right: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Left: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm Prayer

All: I was dead, but now I live
forever, and I hold the keys of death
and of hell.

Pause

Reading – Hosea 5

Leader: Thus says the Lord:
In their affliction, they shall look for me:
“Come let us return to the Lord,
For it is he who has rent, but he will
heal us;
he has struck us, but he will bind our
wounds.

Reading – Hosea 5

Leader: He will revive us after two days; on the third day he will raise us up, to live in his presence.”

Sacred Silence

*A moment of silence to reflect and
receive in our hearts the word of
God*

Leader: For our sake Christ was obedient, accepting even death, death on a cross.

Therefore, God raised him on high and gave him the name above all other names.

All: For our sake Christ was obedient,
accepting even death, death on a cross.
Therefore, God raised him on high and
gave him the name above all other
names.

Canticle of Zechariah

Please Stand

Leader: Save us, O Savior of the world. On the cross you redeemed us by the shedding of your blood; we cry out for your help, O God.

Canticle of Zechariah

Bless ourselves as we say:

All: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty savior, born of the house of his servant David.

Canticle of Zechariah

All: Through his holy prophets he promised of old that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.

Canticle of Zechariah

All: This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

Canticle of Zechariah

All: You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.

Canticle of Zechariah

All: In the tender compassion of our
God

the dawn from on high shall break upon
us, to shine on those who dwell in
darkness and the shadow of death, and
to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Canticle of Zechariah

All: 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.

Canticle of Zechariah

All: Save us, O Savior of the world.
On the cross you redeemed us by the
shedding of your blood; we cry out for
your help, O God.

Intercessions

Leader: Our Redeemer suffered and was buried for us in order to rise again. With sincere love we adore him, and aware of our needs we cry out:

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Intercessions

Leader: Christ our Savior, your sorrowing Mother stood by you at your death and burial, in our sorrows may we share your suffering.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Intercessions

Leader: Christ our Lord, like the seed buried in the ground, you brought forth for us the harvest of grace, may we die to sin and live for God.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Intercessions

Leader: Christ, the Good Shepherd, in death you lay hidden from the world. Teach us to love a life hidden with you in the Father.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Intercessions

Leader: Christ, the new Adam, you entered the kingdom of death to release all the just since the beginning of the world, may all who lie dead in sin hear your voice and rise to life.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Intercessions

Leader: Christ, Son of the living God, through baptism we were buried with you, risen also with you in baptism, may we walk in newness of life.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Left: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Right: 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.

Concluding Prayer and Blessing

Leader: All-powerful and ever-living God, your only Son went down among the dead and rose again in glory. In your goodness raise up your faithful people, buried with him in baptism,

Concluding Prayer and Blessing

Leader: May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life

All: Amen.