St. James Episcopal Church

Noon Prayer

Coquille, Oregon 21 January 2021

Thank you for joining us as we worship God in Jesus Christ. This liturgy is based around prayers for healing and for hope. Everything you need is right here, so don't worry about having a Book of Common Prayer or a Bible open. God bless you!

The Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

A short silence is kept. Then, the priest says:

Loving God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: accept our prayers, and to those who seek healing and all whom we name aloud or in our hearts, grant the power of your grace, that the weak may be strengthened, sickness turned to health, the dying made whole, and sorrow turned into joy; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Lessons from Holy Scripture

Psalm 37

1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.

3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; * dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

4 Take delight in the Lord, * and he shall give you your heart's desire.

5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.

7 Be still before the Lord * and wait patiently for him.

The Gospel: Mark 4:26-29

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to St. Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

26 He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head,

then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

the Rev. Timothy Hannon

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant Let us name before God those for whom we offer

our prayers.

The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding.

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation; We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit; Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved; Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

You are the Lord who does wonders:

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, O Lord, is the well of life: And in your light we see light.

Hear us, O Lord of life: Heal us, and make us whole.

Let us pray.

A period of silence follows. The Celebrant concludes the Prayers with one of the following or some other suitable Collect.

Celebrant

Gracious 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, and strengthen us to be your instruments of healing in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our

neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

We are not able at this time to obtain the sacrament of healing. This does not mean that the sacramental love of God is not present, and for this we now pray. The priest will lead us in a prayer for healing, at the end of which is said,

The service continues with the Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

People 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The priest will now pronounce the blessing, the dismiss you all with the following.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the Name of Christ! Alleluia,

alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks so much for joining us this afternoon! Please join us again for our principle worship service on Sundays at 9:30. We share this service on our <u>Facebook page</u>, our YouTube channel, and <u>our website</u>. God bless, and have a safe and joyful day!

Where did we get all these prayers and readings? Most of our service today comes from the Book of Common Prayer and the Book of Occasional Services.

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Our worship leaders today are

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