#### St. James Episcopal Church

# Noon Prayer

Coquille, Oregon 7 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.

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

103 Benedic, anima mea

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and forget not all his benefits.

3 He forgives all your sins \* and heals all your infirmities;

4 He redeems your life from the grave \* and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;

5 He satisfies you with good things, \* and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

6 The Lord executes righteousness \* and judgment for all who are oppressed.

7 He made his ways known to Moses \* and his works to the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \* slow to anger and of great kindness.

The Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to St. Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

12 Now when Jesus\* heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and

Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

<sup>15</sup> 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.'

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'\*

23 Jesus\* went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news\* of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. <sup>24</sup>So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. <sup>25</sup>And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

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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