

St. James Episcopal Church

## Noon Prayer

Coquille, Oregon

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*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 95:1-7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

### **The Gospel : Matthew 1:40-45**

Celebrant        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                         according to St. Matthew.

People            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

40 A leper<sup>\*</sup> came to him begging him, and kneeling<sup>\*</sup> he said to him, 'If you choose, you can make me clean.' 41 Moved with pity,<sup>\*</sup> Jesus<sup>\*</sup> stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, 'I do choose. Be made clean!' 42 Immediately the leprosy<sup>\*</sup> left him, and he was made clean. 43 After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, 44 saying to him, 'See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.' 45 But he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the



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 [Facebook page](#), our YouTube channel, and [our website](#). 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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