

# NEW CREATION CHURCH

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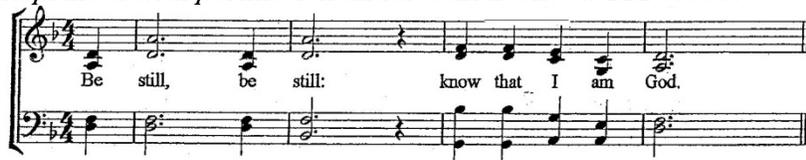
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## Midday Prayer - Liturgy for the Day – 6.3.2020

### Opening Meditation: Be Still

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*Silence*

### Invitatory

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us;

*People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

*People* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

### Opening Hymn: Psalm 117 (Praise the Lord)

Words and Music: Jered McKenna, 2013.

*Praise the Lord all you nations  
extol him all you peoples,  
for great is his love for us*

*Praise the Lord he is faithful  
His love endures forever  
and great is his love for us*

#### *Verse 1*

Sing a song of praise to God enthroned on high,  
Bow before the King of the angels,  
His mercy and His love, his justice will be known,  
lift a song of praise to the Lord! (*Chorus*)

#### *Verse 2*

Boldly shout his praise for he has rescued us,  
Sin and death no more can enslave us.  
His beauty and his pow'r, displayed at Calvary,  
lift a song of praise to the Lord! (*Chorus*)

# PSALM 121

*Levavi oculos*

*All*

<sup>1</sup> I will lift up my eyes unto the hills;  
from whence comes my help?

<sup>2</sup> My help comes from the Lord,  
who has made heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved,  
and he who keeps you will not sleep.

<sup>4</sup> Behold, he who keeps Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup> The Lord himself is your keeper;  
the Lord is your defense upon your right hand,

<sup>6</sup> So that the sun shall not burn you by day,  
neither the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;  
indeed, it is he who shall keep your soul.

<sup>8</sup> The Lord shall preserve your going out and your coming in,  
from this time forth for evermore.

Glory be to ✠ the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## The Reading

*Luke 18:1-8*

And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup> And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup> For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup> yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup> And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? <sup>8</sup> I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

*Officiant* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## A MEDITATION

*David Breisch*

# THE PRAYERS

*Officiant* I will bless the Lord at all times.

*People* **His praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## The Lord's Prayer (sung)

*Music by Greg LaFollette*

**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 our sins,  
As we forgive those who have  
Sinned against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,  
deliver us from evil,  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
And the power and the glory  
Forever. Amen, amen, amen.**

*Officiant* O Lord, hear our prayer;

*People* **And let our cry come to you.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day: Defend us by your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor run into any danger; and that, guided by your Spirit, we may do what is righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, creator of the universe, Lord and judge of us all: Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ went through all the towns and villages, healing every disease and sickness among the people: We cry out to you to rid the earth of COVID-19; by your mighty hand cause this virus to die, and save us by your goodness and power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

- **For our church.**

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior.

*Officiant* Lord, in your mercy  
*People* Hear our prayer

- **For our neighbors.** (Resource: [Blesseveryhome.com](http://Blesseveryhome.com))

Lord, help me do all that I can to live in peace with my neighbors. If any neighbor has wronged me, give me the strength to forgive them. Romans 12:17-19: "Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."

*Officiant* Lord, in your mercy  
*People* Hear our prayer

- **For our city.**

Heavenly Father, you sent your Son among us to proclaim the kingdom of God in cities, towns, villages, and lonely places. Behold and visit, we pray, the communities in which we live. Renew the bonds of charity that uphold our civic life. Send us honest and able leaders. Deliver us from poverty, prejudice, and oppression, that peace may prevail with righteousness, and justice with mercy. And at the last, bring us to your Holy City, the new Jerusalem, where we shall know perfect unity and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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*People* Hear our prayer

- **For our country.**

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land and grant to them Your wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

*Officiant* Lord, in your mercy  
*People* Hear our prayer

- **For our world.**

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: Kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all people the true love of peace, and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those

who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Officiant* Lord, in your mercy  
*People* Hear our prayer

- **For Praise & Thanksgiving**

*A moment of silence for each to offer their own prayers of praise and thanksgiving.*

*Officiant* Lord, in your mercy  
*People* Hear our prayer

*Officiant*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *2 Corinthians 13:14*  
*People* Amen.



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- For prayer support, please reach out to us directly through our [Healing Prayer Group](#) on Facebook (request to join, and a prayer appointment will be set up).

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