

**Psalms, Readings, Recitations, and Hymns for The Office of Matins  
Tuesday in the Week of Septuagesima: First Sunday in Pre-Lent  
Commemoration of Philemon and Onesimus  
February 15, 2022**

**Order of Service: Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary, p. 109  
Propers: *Treasury of Daily Prayer***

**Opening Prayers**

In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that what we say with our lips we may believe in our hearts and practice in our lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Open our mouths, O Lord, to bless Your holy name. Cleanse our hearts from all vain, foolish, and wandering thoughts; enlighten our understanding, enkindle our affections, that we may recite this divine office with attention and devotion, and so may be fit to be heard before the Presence of Your divine Majesty; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**The Versicles**

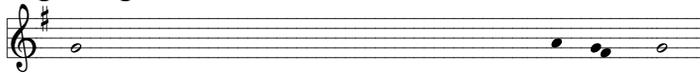
O Lord, open my lips.

And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.

† Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

Make haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; forevermore. Amen.



Praise be to You, O Christ, King of eter - nal glo - ry.

**Invitatory and Venite**

O come, let us worship the Lord.

For He is our Maker.

O come, let us sing to the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving and make a joyful noise to Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, for He made it: and His hands form-ed the dry land.

O come, let worship and bow down: let us 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.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; forevermore. Amen.

Office Hymn: *80, O Blessed Holy Trinity*

O blessed Holy Trinity,  
Divine, eternal Unity,  
God Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Be Thou this day my Guide and Host.

My soul and body keep from harm;  
O'er all I have extend Thine arm.  
That Satan may not cause distress  
Nor bring me shame and wretchedness.

The Father's love shield me this day;  
The Son's pure wisdom cheer my way;  
The Holy Spirit's light divine  
Illume my heart's benighted shrine.

My Maker, strengthen Thou my heart;  
O my Redeemer, help impart;  
Blest Comforter, keep at my side  
That faith and love in me abide.

Lord, bless and keep Thou me as Thine;  
Lord, make Thy face upon me shine;  
Lord, lift Thy countenance on me  
And give me peace, sweet peace, from Thee. Amen.

Psalm 57

Tone 3



Antiphon

Be exalted, O God, a`bove the heavens;/ Let Your glory be a`bove all the earth.

Psalm

Be merciful `to me, O God,/ be mer`ciful to me!

For my `soul trusts in You;/ And in the shadow of Your wings I will make my refuge, Until these calami`ties have passed by.

<sup>2</sup> I will cry out `to God Most High,/ To God who performs `all things for me.

<sup>3</sup> He shall send from heaven and save me; He reproaches the one who would `swallow me up./  
God shall send forth His mer`cy and His truth.

<sup>4</sup> My soul is `among lions;/ I lie among the sons of men Who `are set on fire,  
Whose teeth are `spears and arrows,/ And their `tongue a sharp sword.

<sup>5</sup> Be exalted, O God, a`bove the heavens;/ Let Your glory be a`bove all the earth.

<sup>6</sup> They have prepared a `net for my steps;/ My `soul is bowed down;  
They have dug a `pit before me;/ Into the midst of it they them`selves have fallen.  
<sup>7</sup> My heart is steadfast, O God, my `heart is steadfast;/ I will `sing and give praise.  
<sup>8</sup> Awake, my glory! A`wake, lute and harp!;/ I will a`waken the dawn.  
<sup>9</sup> I will praise You, O Lord, a`mong the peoples;/ I will sing to You a`mong the nations.  
<sup>10</sup> For Your mercy reaches un`to the heavens,/ And Your truth `unto the clouds.  
<sup>11</sup> Be exalted, O God, a`bove the heavens;/ Let Your glory be a`bove all the earth.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father `and to the Son:/ and to `the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the be`ginning, is now:/ and ever shall be, forever `more. Amen.

Antiphon

Be exalted, O God, a`bove the heavens;/ Let Your glory be a`bove all the earth.

**Weekly Bible Verse Recitation: *James 1:12***

Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of the life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. *James 1:12*

**Weekly Catechism Recitation: *Lord's Prayer – Sixth Petition***

*What is the Sixth Petition to the Lord's Prayer?*

And lead us not into temptation.

*What does this mean?*

God certainly tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world and our own flesh may not deceive us nor lead us into misbelief, despair and other shameful sin and vice; and though we be thus tempted, that we may still in the end overcome and retain the victory.

**First Lection: *Job 11:1-20***

Then Zophar the Naamathite answered and said:

2 “Should not the multitude of words be answered?

And should a man full of talk be vindicated?

3 Should your empty talk make men hold their peace?

And when you mock, should no one rebuke you?

4 For you have said,

‘My doctrine *is* pure,

And I am clean in your eyes.’

5 But oh, that God would speak,

And open His lips against you,

6 That He would show you the secrets of wisdom!

For *they would* double *your* prudence.

Know therefore that God exacts from you

*Less* than your iniquity *deserves*.

7 “Can you search out the deep things of God?

Can you find out the limits of the Almighty?

8 *They are* higher than heaven—what can you do?

Deeper than Sheol—what can you know?  
 9 Their measure *is* longer than the earth  
 And broader than the sea.  
 10 “If He passes by, imprisons, and gathers *to judgment*,  
 Then who can hinder Him?  
 11 For He knows deceitful men;  
 He sees wickedness also.  
 Will He not then consider *it*?  
 12 For an empty-headed man will be wise,  
 When a wild donkey’s colt is born a man.  
 13 “If you would prepare your heart,  
 And stretch out your hands toward Him;  
 14 If iniquity *were* in your hand, *and you* put it far away,  
 And would not let wickedness dwell in your tents;  
 15 Then surely you could lift up your face without spot;  
 Yes, you could be steadfast, and not fear;  
 16 Because you would forget *your* misery,  
 And remember *it* as waters *that have* passed away,  
 17 And *your* life would be brighter than noonday.  
*Though* you were dark, you would be like the morning.  
 18 And you would be secure, because there is hope;  
 Yes, you would dig *around you*, *and* take your rest in safety.  
 19 You would also lie down, and no one would make *you* afraid;  
*Yes*, many would court your favor.  
 20 But the eyes of the wicked will fail,  
 And they shall not escape,  
 And their hope—loss of life!”

O Lord, have mercy upon us.  
 Thanks be to You, O Lord.

Tuesday Cantic: *Ego Dixi (Song of Hezekiah) – Isaiah 38*

Tone II



Antiphon

He who continually goes forth weeping, bearing `seed for sowing./ shall doubtless come again  
 with rejoicing, bringing `his sheaves with him.

Cantic

I said, “In the prime of my life I shall go to the `gates of Sheol;/ I am deprived of the remaind`er  
 of my years.”

<sup>11</sup>I said, “I shall not see YAH, The LORD in the land `of the living;/ I shall observe man no more  
 among the inhabi`tants of the world.

<sup>12</sup>My life span is gone, Taken from me like `a shepherd’s tent;/ I have cut off my life `like a  
 weaver.

He cuts me `off from the loom;/ From day until night You make `an end of me.

<sup>13</sup>I have considered `until morning—/ Like a lion, So He `breaks all my bones;  
From day `until *night*/ You make `an end of me.

<sup>14</sup>Like a crane or a swallow, `so I chattered;/ I mourned `like a *dove*;  
My eyes fail from `looking upward./ O LORD, I am oppressed; Un`dertake for me!

<sup>15</sup>“What `shall I *say*?/ He has both spoken to me, And He Him`self has done it.  
I shall walk careful`ly all my years/ In the bitter`ness of my soul.

<sup>16</sup>O Lord, by these things men live; And in all these things is the life `of my spirit;/ So You will  
restore me `and make me live.

<sup>17</sup>Indeed it was `for my own peace/ That I had `great bitterness;  
But You have lovingly delivered my soul from the pit `of corruption,/ For You have cast all my  
sins `behind Your back.

<sup>18</sup>For Sheol cannot thank You, Death `cannot praise You;/ Those who go down to the pit cannot  
`hope for Your truth.

<sup>19</sup>The living, the living man, he shall praise You, As `I do this day;/ The father shall make known  
Your truth `to the children.

<sup>20</sup>“The `LORD was ready/ to `save me;  
Therefore we will sing my songs with stringed instruments All the `days of our life,/ in the house  
`of the *LORD*.”

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father `and to the Son:/ and to `the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the be`ginning, is now:/ and ever shall be, forever `more. *Amen*.

Antiphon

He who continually goes forth weeping, bearing `seed for sowing./ shall doubtless come again  
with rejoicing, bringing `his sheaves with him.

**Second Lection: *St. John 5:19-29***

19 Then Jesus answered and said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing  
of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like  
manner. 20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He  
will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. 21 For as the Father raises the  
dead and gives life to *them*, even so the Son gives life to whom He will. 22 For the Father judges  
no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, 23 that all should honor the Son just as they  
honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

24 “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has  
everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life. 25 Most  
assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the  
Son of God; and those who hear will live. 26 For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has  
granted the Son to have life in Himself, 27 and has given Him authority to execute judgment  
also, because He is the Son of Man. 28 Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all  
who are in the graves will hear His voice 29 and come forth—those who have done good, to the  
resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to You, O Lord.

## Devotional Reading

### Bio of Philemon & Onesimus

#### Hymn: 226, *By Grace I'm Saved*, sts. 1-3

By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;  
My soul, believe and doubt it not.  
Why stagger at this word of promise?  
Hath Scripture ever falsehood taught?  
Nay; then this word must true remain:  
By grace thou, too, shalt heav'n obtain.

By grace! None dare lay claim to merit;  
Our works and conduct have no worth.  
God in His love sent our Redeemer,  
Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;  
His death did for our sins atone,  
And we are saved by grace alone.

By grace! O mark this word of promise  
When thou art by thy sins oppressed,  
When Satan plagues thy troubled conscience,  
And when thy heart is seeking rest.  
What reason cannot comprehend  
God by His grace to these doth send.

#### Morning Versicle

O satisfy us early with Your mercy.  
That we may rejoice and be glad.

#### Morning Canticle: *The Benedictus*

Antiphon

Behold, now is the accepted time: Behold, now is the day of salvation.

Canticle

†“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel: for He has visited and redeemed His people  
And has raised up a horn of salvation for us; in the house of servant David;

As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets: which have been since the world began;  
That we should be saved from our enemies; and from the hand of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers; and to remember His holy covenant  
To perform the oath which He swore to our father Abraham; that He would grant unto us;

That we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies: might serve Him without fear,  
In holiness and righteousness before Him; all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Highest: for you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto His people by the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the Dayspring from on high has visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death: to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: forevermore. Amen.

Antiphon

Behold, now is the accepted time: Behold, now is the day of salvation.

Kyrie, Lord's Prayer, Apostles' Creed

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father...

I believe in God the Father Almighty...

Prayers

Collect for the Week of Septuagesima: First Sunday in Pre-Lent

O Lord, we beseech You favorably to hear the prayers of Your people, that we who are justly punished for our offenses, may be mercifully delivered by Your gracious goodness, for the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

For the Commemoration of Philemon and Onesimus (Treasury of Daily Prayer)

Lord God, heavenly Father, You sent Onesimus back to Philemon as a brother in Christ, freeing him from his slavery to sin through the preaching of the apostle Paul. Cleanse the depths of sin within our souls and bid resentment cease for past offenses, that, by Your mercy, we may be reconciled to our brothers and sisters and our lives will reflect Your peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For Strength in Daily Battles

All praise and glory be to You, heavenly Father, that You show such great mercy to Your people, for it is by Your power that we continue to escape so many dangers amid so many enemies. For this we thank You with our whole heart, and we beseech You, O merciful Father, cause all darkness of heart, all restless timidity of conscience, all fear and terror of devilish temptation to depart from Your people. Grant unto all Christians the light of true faith, peace of conscience, and the joy of Your divine presence. We lift up our eyes to You, O Lord, whose throne is in

heaven. As the eyes of a servant look to the hand of his master, because there is no other help, so do our eyes turn to You, O Lord, our God. Incline to us and have mercy upon us. Be with those who are lonely and full of sorrow in their cares and anxieties. Help them, O Lord, and us in every need. Behold, many are the enemies around us. Preserve our souls and defend us, for in You do we put our trust; let us not be ashamed, for our hope is in You. Do not hide Your countenance from us, lest we be like those who go down to the pit. Make Your face to shine upon all Your people and grant us Your peace. Today and at all times we commend into Your hand our souls and bodies, our actions and purposes, our thoughts, and words, and deeds; our going out and our coming in, our life and death. We commit into Your hands our families, all our relatives and friends, our goods and possessions, our houses and homes, and all that Your great mercy has bestowed upon us. O Lord, we know that we cannot defend ourselves and that without Your help all our efforts will be in vain. Therefore govern us and all things according to Your will. Keep us, that we speak and think nothing that is contrary to You. Let us so live that we do not despise Your grace, but serve You with praise unto Your glory; and so be ready to proclaim Your praises evermore. All this we ask in the Name of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### For the Morning

O Lord Jesus Christ, bright Sun of the world: Shine upon our spirit and drive away the night of sin, that we may walk in Your holy light all our life and even forevermore; You who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

#### Benedicamus & Benediction

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit † be with us all. Amen.