

NOONDAY PRAYER

The Church of the Holy Trinity
Juneau, Alaska

Readings for July 27 – August 1, 2026



Holy Trinity 1921

Monday, July 27 2026

The service for noonday can be found by going to our website trinityjuneau.org and clicking on the Noonday Prayers link.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

57 Miserere mei, Deus

1 Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful,

for I have taken refuge in you; *

in the shadow of your wings will I take refuge

until this time of trouble has gone by.

2 I will call upon the Most High God, *

the God who maintains my cause.

3 He will send from heaven and save me;

he will confound those who trample upon me; *

God will send forth his love and his faithfulness.

4 I lie in the midst of lions that devour the people; *

their teeth are spears and arrows,

their tongue a sharp sword.

5 They have laid a net for my feet,

and I am bowed low; *

they have dug a pit before me,

but have fallen into it themselves.

6 Exalt yourself above the heavens, O God, *

and your glory over all the earth.

7 My heart is firmly fixed, O God, my heart is fixed; *

I will sing and make melody.

8 Wake up, my spirit;

awake, lute and harp; *

I myself will waken the dawn.

9 I will confess you among the peoples, O Lord; *
I will sing praise to you among the nations.

10 For your loving-kindness is greater than the heavens, *
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

11 Exalt yourself above the heavens, O God, *
and your glory over all the earth.

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Matthew 27:24-31

24 So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, 'I am innocent of this man's blood; * see to it yourselves.' ²⁵ Then the people as a whole answered, 'His blood be on us and on our children!' ²⁶ So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, * and they gathered the whole cohort around him. ²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹ and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' ³⁰ They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. ³¹ After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

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Thanks be to God.

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The Officiant then begins the Prayers

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Officiant and 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.

Lord, hear our prayer;

And let our cry come to you.

Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy: Give your blessings to the Diocese of Alaska. Watch over our churches, sustain our people, strengthen our leaders. Through the Holy Spirit, guide and guard the Diocese, keeping it always under your care and protection. Let us be a loving family, serving you in faithful devotion to the Gospel of your son, Jesus Christ.

Give your blessings to Mark our bishop. Give him a spirit of courage and right judgement, a spirit of knowledge and love. Let your Holy Spirit be his companion. Let your Gospel be always in his thoughts. May your presence in his life be a light for all to see, in every good work for the building up of your people and to the Glory of your Holy Name.

Give us the blessing of your example. Help us to follow in the Way of Jesus today and every day. Give us compassion at the center of all we do: Compassion for ourselves, as disciples still young in faith; compassion for others as members of our own family in God. Let us become examples for others as so many others have been examples to us, through your love and for the sake of your glory.

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

Lord, keep this nation under your care.

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

For yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.

Free intercessions may be offered.

Amen.

WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON
PRIEST (27 JULY 1909)

O Lord our God, we thank you for instilling in the heart of your servant William Reed Huntington a fervent love for your church and its mission in the world; and we pray that, with unflagging faith in your promises, we may make known to all people your blessed gift of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen..

Final Collect

May the road rise up to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face;

the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. (Celtic)

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May God bless the work of our hands. **Amen**

“First presbyter of the Church,” was the well-deserved, if unofficial, title of the sixth rector of Grace Church, New York City. William Reed Huntington provided a leadership characterized by breadth, generosity, scholarship, and boldness. He was the acknowledged leader in the House of Deputies of the Episcopal Church’s General Convention during a period of intense stress and conflict within the Church. His reconciling spirit helped preserve the unity of the Episcopal Church in the painful days after the beginning of the schism that resulted in the formation of the Reformed Episcopal Church.

In the House of Deputies, of which he was a member from 1871 until 1907, Huntington showed active and pioneering vision in making daring proposals. As early as 1871, his motion to revive the primitive order of “deaconesses” began a long struggle, which culminated in 1889 in canonical authorization for that order. Huntington’s



parish immediately provided facilities for this new ministry, and Huntington House became a training center for deaconesses and other women workers in the Church.

Christian unity was Huntington's great passion throughout his ministry. In his book, *The Church Idea* (1870), he attempted to articulate the essentials of Christian unity. The grounds he proposed as a basis for unity were presented to, and accepted by, the House of Bishops in Chicago in 1886, and, with some slight modification, were adopted by the Lambeth Conference in 1888. The "Chicago- Lambeth Quadrilateral" has become a historic landmark for the Anglican Communion. It is included on pages 876–878 of the Book of Common Prayer, among the Historical Documents of the Church.

In addition to his roles as ecumenist and statesman, Huntington is significant as a liturgical scholar. It was his bold proposal to revise the Prayer Book that led to the revision of 1892, providing a hitherto unknown flexibility and significant enrichment. His Collect for Monday in Holy Week, now used also for Fridays at Morning Prayer, is itself an example of skillful revision. In it he takes two striking clauses from the exhortation to the sick in the 1662 Prayer Book, and uses them as part of a prayer for grace to follow the Lord in his sufferings.

Tuesday July 28 2026

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61 Exaudi, Deus

1 Hear my cry, O God, *
and listen to my prayer.

2 I call upon you from the ends of the earth
with heaviness in my heart; *
set me upon the rock that is higher than I.

3 For you have been my refuge, *
a strong tower against the enemy.

4 I will dwell in your house for ever; *
I will take refuge under the cover of your wings.

5 For you, O God, have heard my vows; *
you have granted me the heritage of those who fear your Name.

6 Add length of days to the king's life; *
let his years extend over many generations.

7 Let him sit enthroned before God for ever; *
bid love and faithfulness watch over him.

8 So will I always sing the praise of your Name, *
and day by day I will fulfill my vows.

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Matthew 27:32-44

32 As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.³³ And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull),³⁴ they offered him wine to

drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.³⁵ And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots;³⁶ then they sat down there and kept watch over him.³⁷ Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.'

38 Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.³⁹ Those who passed by derided^{*} him, shaking their heads⁴⁰ and saying, 'You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.'⁴¹ In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,⁴² 'He saved others; he cannot save himself.'^{*} He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him.⁴³ He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, "I am God's Son."⁴⁴ The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

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Lord, hear our prayer;

And let our cry come to you.

Let us pray.

Creator, our Father in heaven, we come to you as your children. We confess that we are weak and broken images of you. We pray for the forgiveness and healing you give in Jesus Christ. May his Spirit clean our spirits, minds, hearts, and bodies. We pray that your Holy Spirit will help us to worship in spirit and truth.

Give us the blessing of your example. Help us to follow in the Way of Jesus today and every day. Give us compassion at the center of all we do: Compassion for ourselves, as disciples still young in faith; compassion for others as members of our own family in God. Let us become examples for

others as so many others have been examples to us, through your love and for the sake of your glory.

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for.

O God, take from us cynicism, domination and idle chatter. Give us wholeheartedness, patience and love. Help us to see where we are wrong and not to judge others. Let your face shine on us, O Lord, as we make our prayer to you. Rescue us from our distress and transform our poverty by the richness of your grace. We ask all this through Jesus Christ the Lord.

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Free intercessions may be offered.

Amen.

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH, GEORGE FREDERICK HANDEL and
HENRY PURCELL

COMPOSERS, 1750, 1759, 1695

Almighty God, beautiful in majesty and majestic in holiness: You gave to your musicians Johann Sebastian Bach, George Frederick Handel, and Henry Purcell grace to show forth your glory in their music. May we be also moved to sound out your praises as a foretaste of your eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Final Collect

Let our eyes be your eyes, sharing compassion, warmth and love. Let our hands be your hands bringing healing with their touch. Let our ears be your ears listening where there is need. Let our words be your words bringing comfort joy and peace. **Amen.** (Celtic)

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May God grant to the world justice, truth and peace. **Amen.**



Johann Sebastian Bach was born in Eisenach, Germany, in 1685, into a family of musicians. As a youngster, he studied violin and organ and served as a choirboy at the parish church. By early adulthood, Bach had already achieved an enviable reputation as a composer and performer.

His assignments as a church musician began in 1707 and, a year later, he became the organist and chamber musician for the court of the Duke of Weimar. In 1723, Bach was appointed cantor of the St. Thomas School in Leipzig and parish musician at both St.

Thomas and St. Nicholas churches, where he remained until his death in 1750. A man of deep Lutheran faith, Bach's music was an expression of his religious convictions.



George Frederick Handel was also born in 1685, in Halle, Germany. After studying law, he became organist at the Reformed Cathedral in Halle in 1702, and, in 1703, he went to Hamburg to study and compose opera. His interest in opera led him to Italy and then on to England, where he became a citizen in 1726.

Once in England, Handel supported himself with court appointments and private patronage. His energies were devoted to producing Italian operas and English oratorios, large choral works based upon religious themes. Handel's most

popular work, *Messiah*, was first performed in Dublin in 1741, and is notable for its powerful musical interpretation of texts from the Holy Scriptures.

A man of great charity and generosity, Handel died in London in 1759 and was buried in the Poets' Corner of Westminster Abbey.

Henry Purcell was born in London in 1659 and became one of the greatest English composers, flourishing in the period that followed the Restoration of the monarchy after the Puritan Commonwealth period. Purcell spent much of his short life in the service of the Chapels Royal as a singer, composer, and organist. With considerable gifts as a composer, he wrote extensively in a variety of genres for the Church and for popular entertainment. He died in 1695 and is buried adjacent to the organ near the north aisle of Westminster Abbey.



Wednesday, July 29 2026

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72 Deus, judicium

1 Give the King your justice, O God, *

and your righteousness to the King's Son;

2 That he may rule your people righteously *

and the poor with justice.

3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *

and the little hills bring righteousness.

4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *

he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *

from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *

like showers that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *

there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

8 He shall rule from sea to sea, *

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

9 His foes shall bow down before him, *

and his enemies lick the dust.

10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *

and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.

11 All kings shall bow down before him, *

and all the nations do him service.

12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who has no helper.

13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.

14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

15 Long may he live!
and may there be given to him gold from Arabia; *
may prayer be made for him always,
and may they bless him all the day long.

16 May there be abundance of grain on the earth,
growing thick even on the hilltops; *
may its fruit flourish like Lebanon,
and its grain like grass upon the earth.

17 May his Name remain for ever
and be established as long as the sun endures; *
may all the nations bless themselves in him and call him blessed.

18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Matthew 27:45-54

45 From noon on, darkness came over the whole land^{*} until three in the
afternoon. ⁴⁶And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli,
lema sabachthani?' that is, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?'
⁴⁷When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'This man is calling for
Elijah.' ⁴⁸At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine,
put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. ⁴⁹But the others said, 'Wait, let
us see whether Elijah will come to save him.'^{*} ⁵⁰Then Jesus cried again with
a loud voice and breathed his last.^{*} ⁵¹At that moment the curtain of the
temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks
were split. ⁵²The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints
who had fallen asleep were raised. ⁵³After his resurrection they came out of
the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. ⁵⁴Now when the
centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the

earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!'⁴

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And let our cry come to you.

Let us pray.

Litany of Healing

God the Father,

have mercy on us.

God the Son,

have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,

have mercy on us.

Holy and blessed Trinity,

have mercy upon us and save us.

For those who suffer in body

Hear us, good Lord.

For the distressed in mind and spirit

Hear us, good Lord.

For those burdened by sin

Hear us, good Lord.

For all of us who fall short of your glory

Hear us and save us.

For strength to endure

Hear us, good Lord.

For hope to sustain

Hear us, good Lord.

For the grace of the Holy Spirit

Hear us, good Lord.

For all of us present .

Hear us and save us.

For those who we lift up in our prayers

Hear us and save us.

In your great mercy look with compassion on your people,
hear our prayers, pardon our sins and bring us to eternal life.

Lord, hear us and have mercy.

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.** (*Welsh BCP*)

Lord, give your blessings to the Diocese of Alaska. Watch over our churches, sustain our people, strengthen our leaders. Through the Holy Spirit, guide and guard the Diocese, keeping it always under your care and protection. Let us be a loving family, serving you in faithful devotion to the Gospel of your son, Jesus Christ.

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O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Free intercessions may be offered.

Amen.

FIRST ORDINATION OF WOMEN TO THE PRIESTHOOD IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

(29 JULY 1974)

O God, you poured your Spirit from on high to bless and summon these women, who heard the strength of your call: Equip, guide, and inspire us with wisdom, boldness, and faith to trust you in all circumstances, hear you preach new life to your church, and stretch out our hands to serve you, as

you created us and redeemed us in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God everlasting. Amen.

Great Physician of our souls and bodies, you are always at work in our lives to bring good out of evil . . .

May your sick children

experience the same surge of healing power as did the sick woman who touched the hem of your robe.

Great Spirit, who broods over the world, restore the garment of our self-respect, and remake us in your beauty.

Renew in us

**the stillness of our being,
the soundness of our bodies
and the secret of our wholeness.**

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

May Christ our redeemer bring us healing and wholeness. **Amen.**

Anyone desiring healing prayers is invited to come to the altar after the service.
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This commemoration marks the ordination of eleven women to the priesthood in Philadelphia on 29 July 1974.

Through most of the history of the Christian Church the position of women has been secondary to that of men. During the first half of the twentieth

century women in the Episcopal Church had begun exploring ways to increase their participation in the life of the church. Many women became church workers or directors of religious education or "Deaconesses" a separate order from male Deacons. The movement gained explicit momentum in 1970 when laywomen were seated with voice and vote for the first time in General Convention, and called for a vote to eliminate the canon law on Deaconesses so that male and female deacons would be treated equally.

This increased awareness led to the General Convention of 1970 eliminating canonical distinctions between male deacons and female deaconesses, allowing women already ordained to marry for the first time and to discard the old habits. It made clear that women seeking ordination would be recognized as full and equal deacons. The Episcopal Church was then presented with the issue of whether to ordain women as priests and bishops too.

A resolution was put forward by the women deputies at the 1970 General Convention to approve women's ordination to the priesthood and episcopate. It failed to pass the House of Deputies, but nonetheless had much positive support. A similar resolution narrowly failed to pass at the next General Convention in 1973.

By July 1974, as supporters of women's ordination to the priesthood grew restless, an ordination service was scheduled to ordain women to the priesthood by three retired bishops: Daniel Corrigan, retired bishop suffragan of Colorado; Robert L. DeWitt, recently resigned Bishop of Pennsylvania; and Edward R. Welles, retired Bishop of West Missouri. Eleven women who were deacons presented themselves as ready for ordination to the priesthood, and plans for the service proceeded. These women, called the "Philadelphia Eleven", were Merrill Bittner, Alla Bozarth-Campbell, Alison Cheek, Emily Hewitt, Carter Heyward, Suzanne Hiatt, Marie Moorefield, Jeannette Piccard, Betty Schiess, Katrina Swanson, and Nancy Wittig. They were ordained on 29 July 1974 at the Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia, PA.

The ordinations attracted immediate controversy and condemnation by many in the Church. The House of Bishops declared them "irregular" and the women were not allowed to exercise priestly functions in the Episcopal Church. Nevertheless, on 7 Sept. 1974, four more women were ordained in Washington, DC.

Finally, at the next General Convention in September 1976, the ordination of women to the priesthood was approved, to begin on 1 Jan. 1977. The previous "irregular" ordinations were regularized, and about 100 women were ordained that first year.

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70 Deus, in adiutorium

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *

O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed
and altogether dismayed; *

let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.

4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the Lord!"

5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.

6 You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not tarry.

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Matthew 27:55-66

55 Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. ⁵⁶ Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

57 When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. ⁵⁹So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth ⁶⁰and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. ⁶¹Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

62 The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate ⁶³and said, ‘Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, “After three days I will rise again.” ⁶⁴Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, “He has been raised from the dead”, and the last deception would be worse than the first.’ ⁶⁵Pilate said to them, ‘You have a guard* of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.’* ⁶⁶So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

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Look with pity, O heavenly Father, upon the people in this land who live with injustice, terror, disease, and death as their constant companions. Have mercy upon us. Help us to eliminate our cruelty to these our neighbors. Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Free intercessions may be offered.

Amen.

WILLIAM WILBERFORCE

SOCIAL REFORMER, 1833

ANTHONY ASHLEY-COOPER, 7th EARL OF SHAFTESBURY

PROPHETIC WITNESS 1885

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, kindle in your Church the never-failing gift of love, that we, following the examples of your servants William Wilberforce and Anthony Ashley-Cooper, may have grace to defend the poor and maintain the cause of those who have no helper; for the sake of him who gave his life for us, your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Final Collect

May God the Father bless us;

May Christ take care of us;

May the Holy Spirit enlighten us
all the days of our life.

The Lord be our Defender
and Keeper of body and soul
both now and for ever,

to the ages of ages. *(Book of Cerne, tenth century)*

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

May God kindle in us the fire of love. **Amen.**



William Wilberforce was born into an affluent Yorkshire family in 1759 and received his education at Cambridge. In 1780, he was elected to the House of Commons, serving until 1825. Drawn to the evangelical expression of the Church from 1784, his colleagues convinced him not to abandon his political activism in favor of his newfound piety, but, as a consequence, he refused appointment to high office or to a peerage.

Wilberforce passionately promoted overseas missions, popular education, and the reformation of public manners and

morals. He supported parliamentary reform and emancipation for Roman Catholics. Above all, he is remembered for his persistent, uncompromising, and single-minded crusade for the abolition of slavery and the slave trade, for which he received the blessing of John Wesley.

Wilberforce's eloquence as a speaker, his charm in personal address, and his profound religious spirit made him a formidable power for good; and his countrymen came to recognize in him a man of heroic greatness.

Wilberforce died in London on July 29, 1833, and was buried in Westminster Abbey.

Anthony Ashley-Cooper was born in 1801, son of the Sixth Earl of Shaftesbury. Given the courtesy title of "Lord Ashley," he was educated at Harrow and Oxford, and became a Member of Parliament at the age of 25, representing the pocket borough of Woodstock that was controlled by the Shaftesbury family.

Inspired by his evangelical convictions, he soon took up the challenge of social reform, with particular concern for the just treatment of factory workers, particularly children. Lord Ashley led the charge in Parliament to limit workers' hours and improve work and safety conditions. He also successfully introduced legislation that regulated the working conditions of women and children in the mines, and restricted the abuse of little boys as chimney sweeps.



Lord Ashley devoted his parliamentary career to issues of injustice at all levels of English society, with particular concern regarding the oppression of women and children. He was an outspoken critic of slavery. For many years, Lord Ashley was president of the British and Foreign Bible Society. Like Wilberforce, he was a man of prayer and deep faith, and his diaries are filled with profound spiritual reflections. Lord Ashley died on October 1, 1885.

Friday, July 31 2026

The service for noonday can be found by going to our website trinityjuneau.org and clicking on the Noonday Prayers link.

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Officiant and People

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69 Salvum me fac

1 Save me, O God, *
for the waters have risen up to my neck.

2 I am sinking in deep mire, *
and there is no firm ground for my feet.

3 I have come into deep waters, *
and the torrent washes over me.

4 I have grown weary with my crying;
my throat is inflamed; *
my eyes have failed from looking for my God.

5 Those who hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head;
my lying foes who would destroy me are mighty. *
Must I then give back what I never stole?

6 O God, you know my foolishness, *
and my faults are not hidden from you.

7 Let not those who hope in you be put to shame through me,
Lord God of hosts; *
let not those who seek you be disgraced because of me,
O God of Israel.

8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, *
and shame has covered my face.

9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, *
an alien to my mother's children.

10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; *
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

11 I humbled myself with fasting, *
but that was turned to my reproach.

12 I put on sack-cloth also, *
and became a byword among them.

13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, *
and the drunkards make songs about me.

14 But as for me, this is my prayer to you, *
at the time you have set, O Lord:

15 "In your great mercy, O God, *
answer me with your unfailing help.

16 Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; *
let me be rescued from those who hate me
and out of the deep waters.

17 Let not the torrent of waters wash over me,
neither let the deep swallow me up; *
do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.

18 Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind; *
in your great compassion, turn to me."

19 "Hide not your face from your servant; *
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

20 Draw near to me and redeem me; *
because of my enemies deliver me.

21 You know my reproach, my shame, and my dishonor; *
my adversaries are all in your sight."

22 Reproach has broken my heart, and it cannot be healed; *
I looked for sympathy, but there was none,
for comforters, but I could find no one.

23 They gave me gall to eat, *
and when I was thirsty, they gave me vinegar to drink.

31 As for me, I am afflicted and in pain; *
your help, O God, will lift me up on high.

32 I will praise the Name of God in song; *
I will proclaim his greatness with thanksgiving.

33 This will please the Lord more than an offering of oxen, *
more than bullocks with horns and hoofs.

34 The afflicted shall see and be glad; *
you who seek God, your heart shall live.

35 For the Lord listens to the needy, *
and his prisoners he does not despise.

36 Let the heavens and the earth praise him, *
the seas and all that moves in them;

37 For God will save Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah; *
they shall live there and have it in possession.

38 The children of his servants will inherit it, *
and those who love his Name will dwell therein.

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Matthew 28:1-10

28 After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he⁻ lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead,⁺ and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

A meditation, silent or spoken, may follow.

The Officiant then begins the Prayers

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

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Officiant and People

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Almighty God, you proclaim your truth in every age by many voices: Direct, in our time, we pray, those who speak where many listen and write what many read; that they may do their part in making the heart of this people wise, its mind sound, and its will righteous; to the honor of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Free intercessions may be offered.

AMEN.

IGNATIUS of LOYOLA

MYSTIC, EDUCATOR, PREACHER, AND FOUNDER OF THE
JESUITS (31 JULY 1556)

Almighty God, who called Ignatius of Loyola to the service of your Divine Majesty and to seek you in all things; Give us also the grace to labor without counting the cost and to seek no reward other than knowing that we do your will; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen

Final Collect

May God's love be the love that surrounds us today.

May God's peace be the peace that we share on our way.

May God's grace be the grace that our actions display.
May God's truth be the truth in the words that we say. Amen *Celtic*

The service concludes as follows

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May Christ our Savior give us peace. **Amen.**



Ignatius was born into a noble Basque family in 1491. In his autobiography he tells us that until the age of 26 he was “a man given over to the vanities of the world and took special delight in the exercise of arms with a great and vain desire of winning glory.” An act of reckless heroism at the

Battle of Pamplona in 1521 led to his being seriously wounded. During his convalescence at Loyola, Ignatius experienced a profound spiritual awakening. Following his recovery and an arduous period of retreat, a call to be Christ's knight in the service of God's kingdom was deepened and confirmed.

Ignatius began to share the fruits of his experience with others, making use of a notebook which eventually became the text of the Spiritual Exercises. Since his time, many have found the Exercises to be a way of encountering Christ as intimate companion and responding to Christ's call: “Whoever wishes to come with me must labor with me.”

The fact that Ignatius was an unschooled layman made him suspect in the eyes of church authorities and led him, at the age of 37, to study theology at the University of Paris in preparation for the priesthood. While there, Ignatius gave the Exercises to several of his fellow students; and in 1534, he and six companions took vows to live lives of strict poverty and to serve the needs of the poor. Thus, what later came to be known as the Society of Jesus was born.

In 1540 the Society was formally recognized, and Ignatius became its first Superior General. According to his journals and many of his letters, a profound sense of sharing God's work in union with Christ made the season of intense activity which followed a time of great blessing and consolation.

Ignatius died on July 31st, 1556, in the simple room which served both as his bedroom and chapel, having sought God in all things and having tried to do all things for God's greater glory

Saturday August 1 2026

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375 Confitebimur tibi

1 We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, *
calling upon your Name and declaring all your wonderful deeds.

2 "I will appoint a time," says God; *
"I will judge with equity.

3 Though the earth and all its inhabitants are quaking, *
I will make its pillars fast.

4 I will say to the boasters, 'Boast no more,' *
and to the wicked, 'Do not toss your horns;

5 Do not toss your horns so high, *
nor speak with a proud neck."

6 For judgment is neither from the east nor from the west, *
nor yet from the wilderness or the mountains.

7 It is God who judges; *
he puts down one and lifts up another.

8 For in the Lord's hand there is a cup,
full of spiced and foaming wine, which he pours out, *
and all the wicked of the earth shall drink and
drain the dregs.

9 But I will rejoice for ever; *
I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

10 He shall break off all the horns of the wicked; *
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Matthew 28:11-20

11 While they were going, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests everything that had happened. ¹²After the priests* had assembled with the elders, they devised a plan to give a large sum of money to the soldiers, ¹³telling them, ‘You must say, “His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.”’ ¹⁴If this comes to the governor’s ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble.’ ¹⁵So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story is still told among the Jews to this day.

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’*

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Almighty God, whose loving hand *hath* given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honor *thee* with our substance, and, remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of *thy* bounty.

Free intercessions may be offered.

Amen.

JOSEPH OF ARIMATHAEA (1 AUGUST NT)

Merciful God, whose servant Joseph of Arimathaea with reverence and godly fear prepared the body of our Lord and Savior for burial, and laid it in his own tomb: Grant to us, your faithful people, grace and courage to love and serve Jesus with sincere devotion all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

Final Collect

May we never walk in solitude or fear, but the fellowship of the Spirit warm our hearts, the love of the Saviour bring us joy and the shelter of the Father's arms forever keep us safe. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



May Christ dwell in our hearts by faith. Amen.

Joseph of Arimathaea was a secret disciple of our Lord whose intervention with Pilate ensured a burial for Jesus' crucified body. After the Crucifixion, when many of Jesus' disciples went into hiding for fear of the authorities, Joseph courageously came forward to ask Pilate's permission to remove Jesus' body from the cross in accordance with pious Jewish

practice, namely, to provide the deceased with a timely and proper burial. Moreover, Joseph freely offered his own newly dug tomb for Jesus, preventing further desecration by humans or animals.

Although we know nothing of his further role in the early Christian movement, legends developed in later centuries about Joseph's possible subsequent leadership, including medieval traditions connecting him to Glastonbury in Britain. However, Joseph's remembrance depends primarily upon the gospel narratives of Jesus' burial, attesting to his devotion, his generous compassion, and his brave willingness to take action on behalf of another when such action mattered.