

Readings and Collects for Trinity 1-4

Trinity 1 Sunday June 11

Collect

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.

Psalm 50: 7-15

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
'I will testify against you, O Israel;
for I am God, your God.

**8 'I will not reprove you for your sacrifices,
for your burnt offerings are always before me.**

9 'I will take no bull out of your house,
nor he-goat out of your folds,

**10 'For all the beasts of the forest are mine,
the cattle upon a thousand hills.**

11 'I know every bird of the mountains
and the insect of the field is mine.

**12 'If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that fills it.**

13 'Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?

**14 'Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and fulfil your vows to God Most High.**

15 'Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you and you shall honour me.'

Reading: Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

9 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

10 And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. 11 When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' 12 But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

18 While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' 19 And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. 20 Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, 21 for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' 22 Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. 23 When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, 24 he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. 25 But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. 26 And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Trinity 2 Sunday June 18

Collect

Faithful Creator,
whose mercy never fails:
deepen our faithfulness to you
and to your living Word,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 100

1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;

serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

**2 Know that the Lord is God;
it is he that has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and bless his name.

**4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting,
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.**

Reading: Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8

³⁵ Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

10 Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." ⁸ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

Trinity 3 Sunday June 25

Collect

God our Saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Psalm 69: 8-11, 14-20

8 For your sake have I suffered reproach;
shame has covered my face.

**9 I have become a stranger to my 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 sackcloth 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, I make my prayer to you, O Lord;
at an acceptable time, O God.

**15 Answer me, O God, in the abundance of your mercy
and with your sure salvation.**

16 Draw me out of the mire, that I sink not;
let me be rescued from those who hate me
and out of the deep waters.

**17 Let not the water flood drown me,
neither the deep swallow me up;
let not the Pit shut its mouth upon me.**

18 Answer me, Lord, for your loving-kindness is good;
turn to me in the multitude of your mercies.

**19 Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift to answer me, for I am in trouble.**

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

Reading: Matthew 10: 24-39

²⁴ 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶ 'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. ³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³² 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³ but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴ 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶ and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

Trinity 4 Sunday July 2

Collect

Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,

that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Psalms 89: 8-18

8 God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints : and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

9 O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee : thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

10 Thou rulest the raging of the sea : thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.

11 Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it : thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

12 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine : thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

13 Thou hast made the north and the south : Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.

14 Thou hast a mighty arm : strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

15 Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat : mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

16 Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee : they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

17 Their delight shall be daily in thy Name : and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

18 For thou art the glory of their strength : and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

Reading: Matthew 10: 40-42

⁴⁰ 'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'