

# Matins for Saturday After Proper 24

## *The Invitatory and Psalter*

V: Lord, open our lips.

R: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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

## **Psalm 122** *Lætatus sum*

*The new Jerusalem is the Bride of the Lamb, come let us worship Christ the Lord.*

<sup>1</sup> I was glad when they said to me, \*

"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

<sup>2</sup> Now our feet are standing \*

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> Jerusalem is built as a city \*

that is at unity with itself;

*The new Jerusalem is the Bride of the Lamb, come let us worship Christ the Lord.*

<sup>4</sup> To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, \*

the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.

<sup>5</sup> For there are the thrones of judgment, \*

the thrones of the house of David.

<sup>6</sup> Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*

"May they prosper who love you.

*The new Jerusalem is the Bride of the Lamb, come let us worship Christ the Lord.*

<sup>7</sup> Peace be within your walls \*

and quietness within your towers.

<sup>8</sup> For my brethren and companions' sake, \*

I pray for your prosperity.

<sup>9</sup> Because of the house of the LORD our God, \*

I will seek to do you good."

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.

*The new Jerusalem is the Bride of the Lamb, come let us worship Christ the Lord.*

## *The Psalm or Psalms Appointed*

## **Psalm 62** *Nonne Deo?*

*In God is my safety and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.*

<sup>1</sup> For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*

from him comes my salvation.

<sup>2</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*

my stronghold, so that I shall not be greatly shaken.

<sup>3</sup> How long will you assail me to crush me, all of you together, \*  
as if you were a leaning fence, a toppling wall?

<sup>4</sup> They seek only to bring me down from my place of honor; \*  
lies are their chief delight.

<sup>5</sup> They bless with their lips, \*  
but in their hearts they curse.

<sup>6</sup> For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*  
truly, my hope is in him.

<sup>7</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*  
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

<sup>8</sup> In God is my safety and my honor; \*  
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

<sup>9</sup> Put your trust in him always, O people, \*  
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

<sup>10</sup> Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*  
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

<sup>11</sup> On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \*  
all of them together.

<sup>12</sup> Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; \*  
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

<sup>13</sup> God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*  
that power belongs to God.

<sup>14</sup> Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*  
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

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.

***In God is my safety and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.***

## ***Psalm 92 Bonum est confiteri***

*We will tell of your loving kindness early in the morning, O Lord, and of your faithfulness in the night season.*

<sup>1</sup> It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD, \*  
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;

<sup>2</sup> To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \*  
and of your faithfulness in the night season;

<sup>3</sup> On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \*  
and to the melody of the harp.

<sup>4</sup> For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD; \*  
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.

<sup>5</sup> LORD, how great are your works! \*  
your thoughts are very deep.

<sup>6</sup> The dullard does not know, nor does the fool understand, \*  
that though the wicked grow like weeds, and all the workers of iniquity flourish,

<sup>7</sup> They flourish only to be destroyed for ever; \*  
but you, O LORD, are exalted for evermore.

<sup>8</sup> For lo, your enemies, O LORD, lo, your enemies shall perish, \*  
and all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

<sup>9</sup> But my horn you have exalted like the horns of wild bulls; \*

I am anointed with fresh oil.

<sup>10</sup> My eyes also gloat over my enemies, \*  
and my ears rejoice to hear the doom of the wicked who rise up against me.

<sup>11</sup> The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \*  
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

<sup>12</sup> Those who are planted in the house of the LORD \*  
shall flourish in the courts of our God;

<sup>13</sup> They shall still bear fruit in old age; \*  
they shall be green and succulent;

<sup>14</sup> That they may show how upright the LORD is, \*  
my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

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.

*We will tell of your loving kindness early in the morning, O Lord, and of your faithfulness in the night season.*

## **Psalm 150 *Laudate Dominum***

*Praise the Lord for his excellent greatness.*

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; \*  
praise him in the firmament of his power.

<sup>2</sup> Praise him for his mighty acts; \*  
praise him for his excellent greatness.

<sup>3</sup> Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; \*  
Praise him with lyre and harp.

<sup>4</sup> Praise him with timbrel and dance; \*  
praise him with strings and pipe.

<sup>5</sup> Praise him with resounding cymbals; \*  
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

<sup>6</sup> Let everything that has breath \*  
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

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.

*Praise the Lord for his excellent greatness.*

## ***The Lessons***

A reading from Ecclesiasticus 15:9-20 (NRSV)

Praise is unseemly on the lips of a sinner, for it has not been sent from the Lord. For in wisdom must praise be uttered, and the Lord will make it prosper. Do not say, "It was the Lord's doing that I fell away"; for he does not do what he hates. Do not say, "It was he who led me astray"; for he has no need of the sinful. The Lord hates all abominations; such things are not loved by those who fear him. It was he who created humankind in the beginning, and he left them in the power of their own free choice. If you choose, you can keep the commandments, and to act faithfully is a matter of your own choice. He has placed before you fire and water; stretch out your hand for whichever you choose. Before each person are life and death, and whichever one chooses will be given. For great is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power and sees everything; his eyes are on those who fear him, and he knows every human action. He has not commanded anyone to be wicked, and he has not given anyone permission to sin.

Here ends the Reading.

## Canticle of Betrothed Jerusalem *Propter Sion non tacebo* (Isaiah 62:1-5)

*As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.*

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, \*  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn, \*  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
The nations shall see your vindication, \*  
and all the kings your glory.  
You shall be called by a new name \*  
spoken by the mouth of the Lord.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, \*  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.  
You shall no more be termed Forsaken, \*  
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;  
You shall be called My Delight, \*  
and your land espoused.  
For the Lord delights in you, \*  
and your land shall be married.  
For as a young man marries a young woman, \*  
so shall your builder marry you,  
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, \*  
so shall your God rejoice over you.

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.

*As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.*

A reading from Revelation 10:1-11 (NRSV)

And I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven, wrapped in a cloud, with a rainbow over his head; his face was like the sun, and his legs like pillars of fire. He held a little scroll open in his hand. Setting his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land, he gave a great shout, like a lion roaring. And when he shouted, the seven thunders sounded. And when the seven thunders had sounded, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said, and do not write it down." Then the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and the land raised his right hand to heaven and swore by him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and what is in it, the earth and what is in it, and the sea and what is in it: "There will be no more delay, but in the days when the seventh angel is to blow his trumpet, the mystery of God will be fulfilled, as he announced to his servants the prophets." Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me again, saying, "Go, take the scroll that is open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land." So I went to the angel and told him to give me the little scroll; and he said to me, "Take it, and eat; it will be bitter to your stomach, but sweet as honey in your mouth." So I took the little scroll from the hand of the angel and ate it; it was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach was made bitter. Then they said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples and nations and languages and kings."

Here ends the Reading.

*Let the whole creation serve you, for you spoke and all things came into being.*

## **The Song of Zechariah *Benedictus Dominus Deus*** ***Luke 1: 68-79***

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \*  
he has come to his people and set them free.  
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \*  
born of the house of his servant David.  
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies, \*  
from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation \*  
by the forgiveness of their sins.  
In the tender compassion of our God \*  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the  
shadow of death, \*  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.

*Let the whole creation serve you, for you spoke and all things came into being.*

## ***The Prayers***

V: The Lord be with you.

R: *And also with you.*

Let us pray.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of  
trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Suffrages B**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. We praise your name for ever.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
R. For we put our trust in you.  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

## *Collect of the Day*

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## *62. A Prayer attributed to St. Francis*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

*And with our absent brothers and sisters. Amen.*

## *The Angelus*

The Angel of the Lord announced to Mary  
*And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Behold the handmaid of the Lord  
*Be it unto me according to your word*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

And the Word was made flesh.  
*And dwelled among us.*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

V: Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R: *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

Let us pray:

Pour your grace into our hearts, O Lord, that we who have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Mary, may by his cross and passion be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*