



Lent
A LENTEN MIDDAY LITURGY

Join us in praying the prayers in *bold type*

✝ Opening Address

Eternal God, creator of heaven and earth,
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
God of Israel,
God and Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
True and Living God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Have mercy and hear our prayer.

✝ First Prayers

O Lord, open our lips.
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 forever. Amen.*

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

✝ Jesus Prayer (congregation)

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner.

✝ Confession Of Sin (congregation)

*Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name.
Amen.*

✠ Psalm for the Day

✠ Gospel Reading

✠ Apostles' Creed *(congregation)*

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic Church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting,
Amen.*

✠ Lord's Prayer *(congregation)*

*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.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
Forever.
Amen.*

✠ Petition and Intercession

✠ Silence

✠ Prayer of Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come everlasting life.

Amen.

✠ Prayer to the Crucified Christ

Lord Jesus, you stretched out your arms of love upon the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your name.

Amen.

✠ The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit, *for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

Blessed are those who mourn, *for they shall be comforted.*

Blessed are the meek, *for they shall inherit the earth.*

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice, *for they shall be satisfied.*

Blessed are the merciful, *for they shall receive mercy.*

Blessed are the pure in heart, *for they shall see God.*

Blessed are the peacemakers, *for they shall be called the children of God.*

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake, *for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

✝ Prayer for Peace

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.*

✝ Prayer for the Week

✝ Prayer of Repentance

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven,
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
And all their righteous offspring:
You made the heavens and the earth,
with all their vast array.
All things quake with fear at your presence;
they tremble because of your power.
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure;
it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.
O Lord, you are full of compassion,
long-suffering and abounding in mercy.
You hold back your hand;
you do not punish us as we deserve.
In your great goodness, Lord,
you promised forgiveness to sinners,
that they may repent of their sin and be saved.
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart,
and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned,
and I know my wickedness only too well.
Therefore I make this prayer to you:

*Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.
Do not let me perish in my sin,
nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent,
and in me you will show forth your goodness.
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,
in accordance with your great mercy,
and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises,
and yours is the glory to ages of ages.
Amen.*

✝ Noon Prayer

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may look to you and be saved; for your tender mercies' sake.

Amen.

✝ Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and lovingkindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages.

Amen.

✝ Prayer of St. Francis (congregation)

*Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.*

*O, Divine Master, grant that I 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;
it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*



✠ Prayer for Mercy (*congregation*)

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

✠ Confession of the Mystery (*congregation*)

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

✠ Jesus Prayer (*congregation*)

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner.

✠ Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord cause his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.