

ALL SOULS' — EPISCOPAL CHURCH —

Welcome Home. Peace Awaits.



The FEAST of
**SAINT MATTHIAS,
THE APOSTLE**

MORNING PRAYER
Tuesday, 24 February 9:30 AM

Officiant We give thanks to the Father, who has made us worthy to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. *Colossians 1:12*

The Confession of Sin is omitted on feast days

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All 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 JUBILATE *Psalm 100*

Said responsively, by half-verse

The Lord is glorious in his saints: *
 Come let us adore him.

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
 serve the Lord with gladness
 and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
 he himself has made us, and we are his;
 we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
 give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
 and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Lord is glorious in his saints: *
 Come let us adore him.

The PSALTER: Psalm 80 *Qui regis Israel*

Said responsively, by half-verse

- ¹ Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- ² In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- ³ Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved
- ⁴ O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
- ⁵ You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- ⁶ You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- ⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- ⁸ You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.
- ⁹ You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.
- ¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- ¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.
- ¹² Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- ¹³ The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- ¹⁴ Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.

¹⁵ They burn it with fire like rubbish; *
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.

¹⁶ Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

¹⁷ And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

¹⁸ Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

After the Psalm(s), all say together

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 INVITATORY AND PSALTER

The FIRST READING

Acts 1:15-26

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, “Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus - for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. This became known to all the residents of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their language Hakeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) “For it is written in the book of Psalms,

‘Let his homestead become desolate,
and let there be no one to live in it’;

and

‘Let another take his position of overseer.’

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept

The following Canticle is said responsively, by half-verse

The RESPONSE: Canticle 16, The Song of Zechariah Benedictus Dominus Deus

Luke 1:68-79

The Lord has come to his people *
and set them free.

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.

The Lord has come to his people *
and set them free.

The SECOND READING

John 15:1,6-16

Lector A reading from the Gospel according to John.

Jesus said, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept

The following Canticle is said in unison

The RESPONSE: Canticle 21, You Are God Te Deum laudamus

You are God: we praise you;
You are the Lord; we acclaim you;
You are the eternal Father:
All creation worships you.
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:
 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;
 Father, of majesty unbounded,
 your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
 and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.
When you became man to set us free
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.
You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
 Come then, Lord, and help your people,
 bought with the price of your own blood,
 and bring us with your saints
 to glory everlasting.

The APOSTLES' CREED

All 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.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
 Let us pray.

All 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The SUFFRAGES

The Officiant and People say responsively

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 upon 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.

The COLLECTS

The Officiant prays the following collects

Almighty God, who in the place of Judas chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered among the Twelve: Grant that your Church, being delivered from false apostles, may always be guided and governed by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Intercessions and thanksgivings may follow

The GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness 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 CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant 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 life everlasting. *Amen.*

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

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.* *2 Corinthians 13:14*



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