

# Fourth Sunday of Lent



Sunday, Week IV, Evening Prayer II

March 19, 2023

# INTRODUCTION

*O God, come to my as - sist - ance. O Lord, make haste to help me.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it:*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. A - men.*

# OPENING HYMN

## From Ashes to the Living Font

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1. From ash - es to the liv - ing font Your  
2. Through fast - ing, prayer, and char - i - ty Your  
3. We sit be - side the road and plead, "Come  
4. From ash - es to the liv - ing font Your

1. Church must jour - ney, Lord, Bap - tized in grace, in  
2. voice speaks deep with - in, Re - turn - ing us to  
3. save us, Da - vid's son!" Now with your vis - ion  
4. Church must jour - ney still, Through cross and tomb to

1. grace re - newed By your most ho - ly word.  
2. ways of truth And turn - ing us from sin.  
3. heal our eyes, The world's true Light a - lone.  
4. Eas - ter joy, In Spir - it - fire ful - filled.

## PSALMODY



**Antiphon 1:** God has appointed Christ to be *judge* \*  
of the living and *the* dead.

### Psalm 110: 1-5,7

*Cantor* The Lord's revelation to my Master:†  
"Sit on my *right*:\*  
your foes I will put beneath *your* feet."

*All* The Lord will wield from Zion†  
your scepter of *pow-er*:\*  
rule in the midst of all *your* foes.

*Cantor* A prince from the day of your birth†  
on the holy *moun-tains*; \*  
from the womb before the dawn I *be-got* you.

*All* The Lord has sworn an *oath* \*  
he will *not* change.

*Cantor* "You are a priest for *ev-er*,\*  
a priest like Melchizedek *of old*."

*All* The Master standing at your right *hand* \*  
will shatter kings in the day of his *great* wrath.

*Cantor* He shall drink from the stream by the *way-side* \*  
and therefore he shall lift up *his* head.

*All* Glory to the Father, and to the *Son*, \*  
and to the *Ho-ly* Spirit,

*Cantor* As it was in the beginning, is *now* \*  
and will be forever. *A-men*.

**Antiphon 1:** God has appointed Christ to be *judge* \*  
of the living and *the* dead.



**Antiphon 2:** Happy the man who shows mercy for *the* Lord's sake; \*  
he will stand firm *for* ever.

Psalm 112

*Cantor* Happy the man who *fears* the Lord, \*  
who takes delight in all his *com*-mands.

*All* His sons will be power-*ful* on earth; \*  
the children of the upright *are* blessed.

*Cantor* Riches and wealth are *in* his house; \*  
his justice stands firm *for* ever.

*All* He is light in the darkness *for* the upright: \*  
he is generous, merciful *and* just.

*Cantor* The good man takes pit-*y* and lends, \*  
he conducts his affairs with *hon*-or.

*All* The just man will *nev*-er waver: \*  
he will be remembered for *ev*-er.

*Cantor* He has no fear of *e*-vil news; \*  
with a firm heart he trusts in *the* Lord.

*All* With a steadfast heart he *will* not fear; \*  
he will see the downfall of *his* foes.

*Cantor* Open-handed, he gives to the poor; †  
his justice stands *firm* for ever. \*  
His head will be raised *in* glory.

*All* The wicked man sees and is angry, †  
grinds his teeth and *fades* away; \*  
the desire of the wicked leads *to* doom.

*Cantor* Glory to the Father, and *to* the Son, \*  
and to the Ho-*ly* Spirit,

*All* As it was in the begin-*ning*, is now \*  
and will be forever. A-men.

**Antiphon 2:** Happy the man who shows mercy for *the* Lord's sake; \*  
he will stand firm *for* ever.



**Antiphon 3:** Those things which God foretold through his prophet† concerning the sufferings that Christ would *en-dure*,\* have been *ful-filled*.

Canticle: 1 Peter 2: 21-24

*Cantor* Christ suffered for you, and left you an *ex-ample* \*  
to have you follow in *his* footsteps.

*All* He did *no* wrong; \*  
no deceit was found in *his* mouth.

*Cantor* When he was *in-sulted*, \*  
he returned *no* insult.

*All* When he was made *to* suffer, \*  
he did not counter *with* threats.

*Cantor* Instead he delivered him-*self* up \*  
to the One who judg-*es* justly.

*All* In his *own* body \*  
he brought your sins to *the* cross,

*Cantor* so that all of us, dead *to* sin, \*  
could live in accord with *God's* will.

*All* By *his* wounds \*  
you *were* healed.

*Cantor* Glory to the Father, and to *the* Son, \*  
and to the Ho-*ly* Spirit,

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and will be for ever. *A-men*.

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## READING

1 Corinthians 9: 24-25

While all the runners in the stadium take part in the race, the award goes to one man. In that case, run so as to win! Athletes deny themselves all sorts of things. They do this to win a crown of leaves that withers, but we a crown that is imperishable.

## RESPONSORY



Listen to us, O Lord, *and* have mercy, \* for we have sinned *a*-gainst you.  
- Listen to us, O Lord, *and* have mercy, \* for we have sinned *a*-gainst you.

Christ Jesus, hear our hum-*ble* petitions, \*  
- for we have sinned *a*-gainst you.

Glory to the Father and *to* the Son\* and to the Ho-*ly* Spirit,  
- Listen to us, O Lord, *and* have mercy, \* for we have sinned *a*-gainst you.

## CANTICLE OF MARY



**Antiphon:** My son, you have been with me *all* the time\* and everything I have *is* yours. But we had to feast and rejoice,† because your brother was dead and has come to *life* again;\* he was lost to us and now has *been* found.

Luke 1:46-55

*Cantor* My soul proclaims the greatness *of* the Lord,\*  
my spirit rejoices in God *my* savior

*All* for he has *looked* with favor\*  
on his low-*ly* servant.



- Cantor* From this day all *gen-erations*\*  
will call *me* blessed.
- All* the Almighty has done great *things* for me,\*  
and holy is *his* Name.
- Cantor* He has mercy on *those* who fear him\*  
in every *gen-er-ation*.
- All* He has shown the strength *of* his arm,\*  
he has scattered the proud in their *con-cept*.
- Cantor* He has cast down the mighty *from* their thrones,\*  
and has lifted up *the* lowly.
- All* He has filled the hungry *with* good things,\*  
and the rich he has sent a-*way* empty.
- Cantor* He has come to the help of his *ser-vant* Israel \*  
for he has remembered his promise *of* mercy,
- All* the promise he made *to* our fathers,\*  
to Abraham and his children *for-ever*.
- Cantor* Glory to the Father, and *to* the Son, \*  
and to the Ho-*ly* Spirit:
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and will be for ever. A-men.

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## INTERCESSIONS

*Leader*

Let us give thanks continually to Christ, our teacher and our head, who came to serve and to do good to all. In humility and confidence let us ask him:

*R/. Come, Lord, to visit your family.*

*Deacon*

Lord, be present to the bishops and priests of your Church, who share your role as head and shepherd, may they lead your people to the Father under your guidance.

*R/. Come, Lord, to visit your family.*

May your angel be with all who travel, to keep them safe in soul and body.

*R/. Come, Lord, to visit your family.*

Teach us to serve the needs of others, and to be like you, who came to serve, not to be served.

*R/. Come, Lord, to visit your family.*

Grant that in the human family, brother may always help brother, so that, with your assistance, it may be a city compact and strong.

*R/. Come, Lord, to visit your family.*

Have mercy on all the departed, bring them to the vision of your glory.

*R/. Come, Lord, to visit your family.*

OUR FATHER...

CONCLUDING PRAYER

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

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