

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355

Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity (*in unison*)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Canticle of Praise: *Gloria in excelsis* (*in unison*)

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

Genesis 22:1-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 13

- 1 How long, O LORD?
will you forget me for ever? *
how long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,
and grief in my heart, day after day? *
how long shall my enemy triumph over me?
- 3 Look upon me and answer me, O LORD my God; *
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

- 4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," *
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.
- 5 But I put my trust in your mercy; *
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.
- 6 I will sing to the LORD, for he has dealt with me richly; *
I will praise the Name of the Lord Most High.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

Sequence Hymn

Speak, Lord, I'm Listening

lyrics on screen

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:40-42

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. 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; 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev'd Dr. Steve Clifton

After the Sermon, we take a few moments to reflect on God's word to us.

The Nicene Creed *(in unison)*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People *(sung)*

lyrics on screen

*In the silence which follows each petition, you are welcome to add your own intercessions:
in the silence of your heart, aloud in your home,
or (if watching the live stream) by typing them in the chat window.*

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

BCP 360

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Deacon and People (in unison)

**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.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Officiant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Offertory

The Officiant says a sentence from Scripture to begin the Offertory.

All are encouraged to make an offering in thanksgiving for all the blessings God has bestowed.

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St. James House of Prayer Episcopal Church
2708 N. Central Ave., Tampa FL 33602

Offertory Anthem

By Name I Have Called You
Rebecca Cummings Scales, soprano
Julius James, piano

by Carey Landry

Officiant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing:

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

words on screen

THE SENDING FORTH OF GOD'S PEOPLE

God's Blessing (pronounced by the Priest; the People respond, Amen.)

Closing Song

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

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Timothy Kimbrough
adapt. From Psalm 103

♩ = 108

G Bm7 C G Am7

Bless the Lord, o my soul and all that is with -in

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Am7/D G Bm7 C G

me praise and bless the Lord, o my soul.

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Detailed description: This is a musical score for the hymn 'Bless The Lord, O My Soul'. It is written in G major and 4/4 time, with a tempo of 108 beats per minute. The score is arranged for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the vocal line with lyrics: 'Bless the Lord, o my soul and all that is with -in'. The bass staff contains the piano accompaniment with the same lyrics. Above the treble staff, the chords G, Bm7, C, G, and Am7 are indicated. The second system also has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the vocal line with lyrics: 'me praise and bless the Lord, o my soul.'. The bass staff contains the piano accompaniment with the same lyrics. Above the treble staff, the chords Am7/D, G, Bm7, C, and G are indicated.

Am7 Am7/D G

Bless God's ho -ly name. 1. O Bless God's ho -ly name.
 2.The
 3.Our
 4. O
 5.The

Bless God's ho -ly name. Bless God's ho -ly name.

C D G

Fine 1bless the Lord my soul. Em
 2Lord for -gives your sins and
 3days are like the grass and
 4lis -ten to God's word, all
 5Lord loves righ -teous -ness and

Fine

C D G C D/C

-brace the love of God, who sa -tis -fies as
 heals your deep -est fears. The Lord re -deems your
 soon they are no more; un -like the stead -fast
 you who do God's will. In e' -vry place and
 frees the world's o -ppressed. God's works were known to

Bm7 Em Am G/B Am/C Em Am7/D D7

long as you live and o -ffers life a -bun -dant.
 life from the grave and crowns you with God's mer -cy.
 love of the Lord which is from e -ver -las -ting.
 in e' -vry time turn to the heav'n -ly throne and---
 all Is -ra -el, the works of grace and mer -cy.

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Prayer List

Please remember in your daily prayers:

Fr. Al Chapman, Camden, Betsy, Bernice, Olive, Lydia, Mitch, Vernescia, Eugene, Steve, Wayne, Rajah, Raimi, Rhea, Becky, Leanne; all infected with COVID-19 and their loved ones, all working to stop its spread, and all working toward more effective prevention and treatments; all working for justice in our society.

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