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The responder today on
behalf of everyone is Nana
Appiah-Pepira

Welcome

Hymn

Forty days and forty nights
You were fasting in the
wild;
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled.

Shall not we Your sorrow
share
And from worldly joys ab-
stain,
Fasting with unceasing
prayer,
Strong with You to suffer
pain?
Then, if Satan on us press,
Flesh or spirit to assail,
Victor in the wilderness,
Grant we may not faint nor
fail!

So shall we have peace di-
vine;
Holier gladness ours shall
be.
'Round us, too, shall angels
shine,
Such as served You faith-
fully.

Keep, O keep us, Saviour
dear,
Ever constant by Your side,

That with You we may appear
At the eternal Eastertide.

In the Name of God: Father,
Son and the Holy Spirit .
Amen.

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Collect for Purity

Almighty God to whom all
hearts are open all desires
known and from whom 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

Penitence

The sacrifice of God is a
broken spirit; a broken and
contrite heart God will not
despise. Let us come to the
Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our

transgressions in penitence
and faith.

Wash me thoroughly from
my wickedness and
cleanse me from my sin:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Make me a clean heart, O
God, and renew a right
spirit within me:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Cast me not away from
your presence and take not
your holy spirit from me:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God, who forgives
all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you, pardon
and deliver you from all
your sins, confirm and
strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day Almighty
God, whose Son Jesus Christ
fasted forty days

in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prayer before receiving the Word of God — Before we read, we pray together

Eternal God, in the reading of the Scriptures, may your Word be heard;
In the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and
In the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. **Amen.**

First Reading -1 Peter 3:18-22 read by Sean Appiah-Pepira

Beloved: Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Ps
25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;

teach me your paths,
Guide me in your truth and teach me,

for you are God my saviour.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Remember that your compassion, O LORD,
and your love are from of old.

In your kindness remember me,

because of your goodness, O LORD.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Good and upright is the LORD,

thus he shows sinners the way.

He guides the humble to justice,

and he teaches the humble his way.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Gospel Alleluia

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your hearts.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Gospel Mark 1:9-15 read by Whitney Appiah-Pepira

9 At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised by John in the Jordan. 10 Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. 11 And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

12 At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, 13 and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted[a] by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.

14 After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. 15 “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

This is the gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

The Reflection

The Creed

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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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 Church -
led by Kwame Appiah-
Pepra**

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father. For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church ... let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For those preparing for baptism and confirmation, and for their teachers and sponsors, let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For peace in the world ... that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For those whom we have injured or offended, let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

In communion with all
those who have walked in
the way of holiness ...let
us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

God our Father, in your
love and goodness you
have taught us to come
close to you in penitence
with prayer, fasting and
generosity; accept our
Lenten discipline, and
when we fall by our weak-
ness, raise us up by your
unfailing mercy; through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

We pray for all those who
have died: Those recently
departed: *Colin Attwood*

Those whose Years' Mind
occur at this month: *Wil-
liam Crouch, Michael
French, Charles Bladon,
Thomas Fitzpatrick, Jane*

*Coleman, Michael Buss, Al-
bert Collins, Victor Botha,
Joan Maskell, Brian King-
come, Martin Chubb, Desna
Harries, Christobel Van der
Hoeven, Leslie Corfield,
Marjorie Addyman, Norman
Sheldon, Christian Solari,
Bruce Lagden*

We keep a time of silence
as we offer to God our own
particular petitions

(Silence)

Merciful Father
**Accept these prayers for
the sake of your Son, our
Saviour Jesus Christ,
Amen.**

The Peace

Since we are justified by
faith, we have peace with
God through our Lord
Jesus Christ, who has
given us access to his
grace.

The peace of the Lord be
with you
And also with you

Hymn

Be thou my guardian and
my guide,
and hear me when I call;
let not my slippery foot-
steps slide,
and hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and
Satan dwell
around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares
of hell,
thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin,
and outward things are
strong,
do thou, O Lord, keep
watch within,
and save my soul from
wrong.

Still let me ever watch and
pray,
and feel that I am frail;
that if the tempter cross my
way,
yet he may not prevail.

As Christ has taught us we
are bold to say:

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 tres-
passes, as we forgive
those who trespass
against us. And lead us not
into temptation; but deliver
us from evil. For thine is
the kingdom, the power
and the glory, for ever and
ever. **Amen.**

Jesus, Lamb of God: **have
mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins:
have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the
world: **give us your peace.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of
the world. Blessed are
those who are called to his
supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to re-
ceive you, but only say the
word, and I shall be healed.**

A Prayer as we make our
Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.**

Music is played as we pray in silence....

Post - Communion Prayers

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious
God's mercy endures for ever.

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live

by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. **Amen**

The Blessing

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ.
Amen.**

Hymn

Lead us, heavenly Father,
lead us

o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary,
through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Colin Attwood

THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS AT THIS TIME: *William Crouch, Michael French, Charles Bladon, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Jane Coleman, Michael Buss, Albert Collins, Victor Botha, Joan Maskell, Brian Kingcome, Martin Chubb, Desna Harries, Christobel Van der Hoeven, Leslie Corfield, Marjorie Addyman, Norman Sheldon, Christian Solari, Bruce Lagden*

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