

Service of Lamentation

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All are invited to begin this Service in silent prayer.

The Bell tolls once for each instance of mass school shootings this year; once for all other shootings.

The Litany

God the Father,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God,
Have mercy on us.

We pray to you, Lord Christ.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all victims of violence, and particularly for those affected by the school shooting in Parkland, Florida, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have been injured, that they might know your healing power, we pray to You, O Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who are afraid, that they may know Your perfect love which casts out fear, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who mourn, that they may be comforted in their distress, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died, that they may be received into that arms of Your mercy, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the first responders, care-givers, and all who work to protect, heal, and restore, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in authority, both in the Church and in government, that they might lead us in the way of Justice and peace, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

That the world may be free of violence, racism, poverty, and oppression, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

That our divisions may cease, and all may be one in You, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

That we may not repay evil for evil, but find grace to forgive, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

That all people might be united in the work of Your Kingdom, we pray to You, O Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

We ask Your forgiveness for the ways in which we have contributed to the violence in the world.
Lord, hear our prayer.

We ask Your forgiveness for any harm we have done to one another. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We ask Your forgiveness for any prejudice, bitterness, or hate we harbor in our hearts.
Lord, hear our prayer.

We ask Your forgiveness for any ill we have wished upon one another. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We ask Your forgiveness for the times when we have been slow to forgive.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We ask Your forgiveness for all we do, think, and say which falls short of Your command to us to love one another.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord:

Lord, hear our Prayer.

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Grant us your peace.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

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

Silence

Officiant O God, You made us in Your own image and redeemed us through Jesus Your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish Your purposes on earth; that, in Your good time, all nations and races may serve You in harmony around Your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Invitation to Lament – *The Rev. Dr. Brian Baker, Dean of the Cathedral*

Dean Jesus said, “Peace I leave with you; My own peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” **Amen.**

Dean The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Dean Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, whose only Son came to preach peace to the nations: Hear us, we beseech You, and comfort us with Your steady Hand, as we come before You this night in the wake of unspeakable

violence. In a world that seems hopeless, help us to remember that our hope rests always in You, and in the resurrection of Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Silence

The Readings

A Reading from the Book of Micah (6:6-8).

‘With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt-
offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of
rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my
transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my
soul?’
He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

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

Hymn 680 – O God, our Help in Ages Past

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
 5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pen - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90:1-5
 Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

A Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans (8: 31-39)

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress,

or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all day long;

we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

Psalm 23 (KJV)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Gospel

All stand for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
According to Luke. (4:14-21)

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

Lector
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn – God of Mercy, You Have Shown Us

God of Mercy, You Have Shown Us

A Hymn Lamenting Gun Violence

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God of mer - cy, you have shown us ways of liv - ing that are
On a street where neigh - bors gath - er, shots are heard; a young girl
God, we pray for those who suf - fer when this world seems so un -
God, re - new our faith and vi - sion; make us those who bold - ly

good: "Work for jus - tice, treas - ure kind - ness, hum - bly
dies. On a cam - pus, stu - dents scat - ter as the
fair: May your church be quick to of - fer lov - ing
lead! May we work for just de - ci - sions that bring

jour - ney with the Lord." Yet your peo - ple here are
vio - lence claims more lives. In a fam - ily filled with
com - fort, gen - tle care. And we pray: A - mid the
true se - cur - i - ty. Help us change this vio - lent

griev - ing, hurt by wea - pons that de - stroy. Help us
an - ger, tem - pers flare and shots re - sound. God of
vio - lence, may we speak your truth, O Lord! Give us
cul - ture based on i - dols, built on fear. Help us

turn to you, be - liev - ing in your way that brings us joy.
love, we weep and won - der at the vio - lence all a - round.
strength to break the si - lence, say - ing, "This can be no more!"
build a peace - ful fu - ture with your world of peo - ple here.

Biblical References: Micah 6:8; Luke 1:79; Romans 12:15; I John 4:16-21; Matthew 5:9

Tune: The Sacred Harp, 1844. Harm. James H. Wood, 1958.

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In interfaith worship services, this line may be used:

Change the original text of "May your church be quick to offer loving comfort, gentle care."
to interfaith text: "May we all be quick to offer loving, comfort, gentle care."

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Speakers

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Hymn - "Let There Be Peace on this Earth" - words and music by Calvin Lymos (2018)

Let there be peace on this earth is my prayer
Let love abide in the hearts everywhere
Lift up the hurting they need you right now
It's time to love the way Christ taught us how

With Kindness
With Mercy
And with Grace
Healing can now take its place

Looking around all I see is despair
Those that are hurt seem to hurt those who care
Let's make a change and let's do it right now
It's time to love the way Christ taught us how

The Supplication

O Lord, arise, help us;
And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers and mothers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us;
and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

O Lord, arise, help us;
and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

- V. From our enemies defend us, O Christ;
R. **Graciously behold our afflictions.**
V. With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts;
R. **Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.**
V. Favorably with mercy hear our prayers;
R. **O Son of David, have mercy upon us.**
V. Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ;
R. **Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.**

The Officiant concludes

Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, whose only Son came to preach peace to the nations: Hear us, we beseech You, and comfort us with Your steady Hand, as we come before You this night in the wake of unspeakable violence. In a world that seems hopeless, help us to remember that our hope rests always in You, and in the resurrection of Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

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.

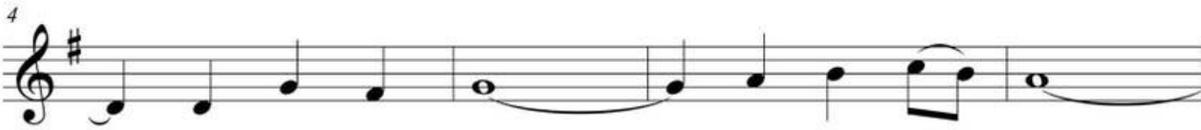
Hymn - If We Just Talk of Thoughts and Prayers

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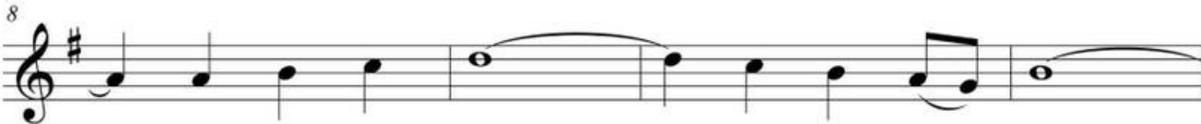
O WALY WALY LM ("Though I May Speak")



If we just talk _____ of thoughts and prayers _____
If we just dream _____ of what could be _____
If we just sing _____ of do - ing good _____
God, may our prayers _____ and dreams and songs _____



— And don't live out _____ a faith that dares, _____
— And do not build _____ com - mun - i - ty, _____
— And don't walk through _____ our neigh - bor - hood _____
— Lead to a faith _____ that takes on _____ wrongs -



— And don't take on _____ the ways of _____ death, _____
— And do not seek _____ to change our _____ ways, _____
— To learn its hope, _____ to ease its _____ pain, _____
- That works for peace _____ and just - ice, too, _____



— Our thoughts and prayers _____ are fleet - ing breath. _____
— Our dreams of change _____ are false dis - plays. _____
— Our talk of good _____ is simp - ly _____ vain. _____
— Then will our prayers _____ bring joy to _____ you. _____

Biblical References: Isaiah 58; Matthew 7:21, 24-27; 1 Corinthians 13:1; James 2:14-26; 1 John 3:18-24

Tune: Traditional English melody

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Invitation to March – Bishop Barry Beisner

Final Collect

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were being cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Following the collect, silence is kept.

The Blessing

When ready, the officiant continues:

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

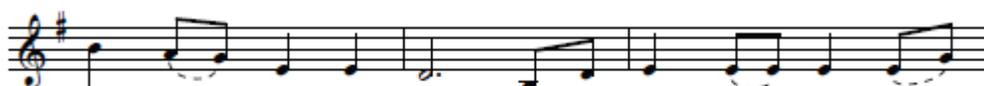
Hymn – The Canticle of the Turning

Canticle of the Turning

Verses



1. My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you
3. From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a



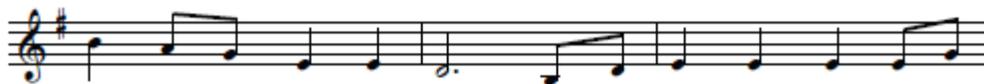
God of my heart is great, And my spir - it sings of the
work great things in me, And your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You
depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Your
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his throne. The



fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the



weak - ness you did not spurn, So from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, You will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; There are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry

name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to fight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the

fires of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the

dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn!

Text: Luke 1:46-58; Rory Cooney, b.1952
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The Dismissal