Trust

THE GATHERING PRAYER

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the center of this sacred circle through which all creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your spirit, for you are God, now and forever.

THE GATHERING PSALM OF PRAISE

Psalm 37:1-6

- ¹ Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- ² For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.
- ³ Put your trust in the Lord and do good; * dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- ⁴ Take delight in the Lord, * and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- ⁵ Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.
- ⁶ He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 16:10-13



REFLECTION AND REPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

Reflect and Respond to the Gospel:

- 1. What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel?
- 2. What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you?
- 3. What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

APOSTLE'S CREED

Officiant and People together:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

PRAYER

Gracious Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Savior. **Amen**

-BCP

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

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**

BLESSING

May the God of peace enable us to do his will in every kind of goodness, working in us what pleases him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. **Amen**

or *GRACE*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen**