

A Midweek Noonday Public Service of Healing

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The Officiant begins with a salutation appropriate to the Season followed by,
Grace and peace be with you, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Officiant says this or some other appropriate Collect

O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

One, two or three Lessons are read.

Between the Lessons, a Psalm, hymn, or anthem may be sung or said.

A sermon or meditation, or a period of silence, or both, may follow the final Lesson.

Homily

Litany of Healing

The Officiant introduces the Litany with this bidding

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding.

A Person appointed then leads the Litany

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, First Responders, EMTs, chaplains, social workers and essential workers, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

You are the Lord who does wonders:

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

And in your light we see light.

Hear us, O Lord of life:
Heal us and make us whole.

Let us pray.

A period of silence follows.

The Officiant concludes the Prayers with one of the following or some other suitable Collect:

Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Or this

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions we pray not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Confession of Sin follows.

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor,

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, say

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.

The Priest says

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.*

A deacon or lay person using the preceding form substitutes “us” for “you” and “our” for “your.”

The Invocation

Officiant: Like the first disciples before the coming of God’s power at Pentecost, we wait in faith, and pray.

Silence

All: Be with us Holy Spirit;
nothing can separate us from your love.

Be with us as of old,
fill us with your power,
direct all our thoughts to your goodness.

Be present, Holy Spirit;
bring faith and healing and peace.

Silence

Officiant: The Lord is here.

People: God’s Spirit is with us.

Officiant: In the name of God most high, receive Christ’s profound healing to make you whole in body, mind, and

spirit. May the healing power of Christ drive away all sickness of body and spirit, and give you that victory of life and peace which will enable you to serve him both now and always. May the power of God strengthen you, the love of God dwell in you, and give you peace.

The service continues with the exchange of Peace.

Officiant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Officiant: Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Priest pronounces the blessing

May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

