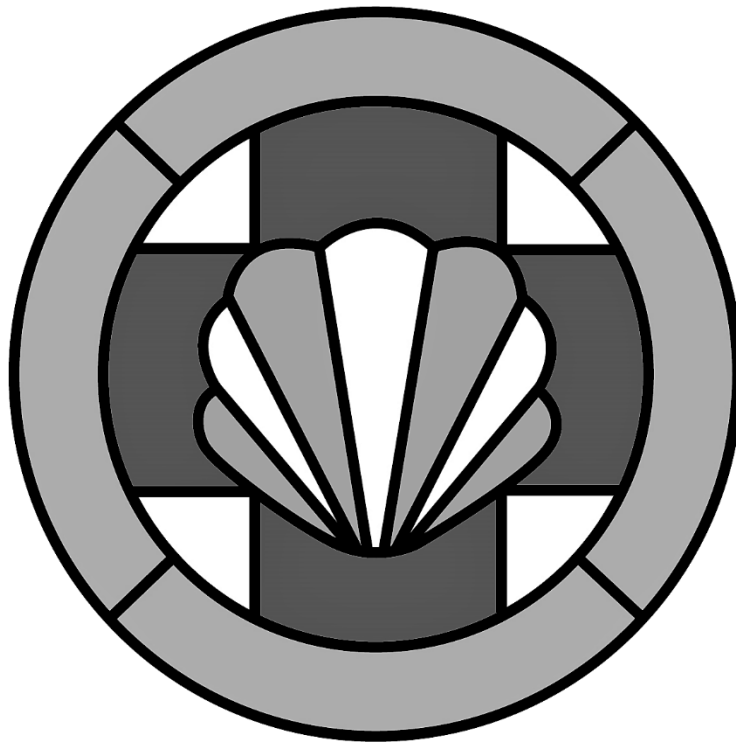


# **Morning Prayer**

## **Sunday, February 1, 2026**



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## The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.  
*People* **And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:**  
*and* **as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**  
*People* **Alleluia.**

*Officiant* Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Come, let us adore him.

*Officiant* **Come, let us sing to the Lord; \***  
*and* **let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**  
*People* **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \***  
**and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**  
**For the Lord is a great God, \***  
**and a great King above all gods.**  
**In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \***  
**and the heights of the hills are his also.**  
**The sea is his, for he made it, \***  
**and his hands have molded the dry land.**  
**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \***  
**and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**  
**For he is our God,**  
**and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \***  
**Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

## The Psalm Appointed

### Psalm 15

- 1 LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \*  
who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \*  
who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no evil to his friend; \*  
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
but he honors those who fear the LORD.

- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong \*  
and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, \*  
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things \*  
shall never be overthrown.

*At the end of the Psalm, the Reader and People say*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## **The First Lesson**

**Micah 6:1-8**

Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth;  
for the LORD has a controversy with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?  
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!  
For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.  
O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

“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?

*Response after reading*

<i>Reader</i>	The word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

*Officiant* Let us read together the First Song of Isaiah.

<i>Officiant</i>	<b>Surely, it is God who saves me; *</b>
<i>and</i>	<b>I will trust in him and not be afraid.</b>
<i>People</i>	<b>For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *</b>
	<b>and he will be my Savior.</b>
	<b>Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *</b>
	<b>from the springs of salvation.</b>
	<b>And on that day you shall say, *</b>
	<b>Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;</b>
	<b>Make his deeds known among the peoples; *</b>
	<b>see that they remember that his Name is exalted.</b>
	<b>Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *</b>
	<b>and this is known in all the world.</b>
	<b>Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *</b>
	<b>for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.</b>
	 <b>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *</b>
	<b>as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.</b>

## **The Second Lesson**

## **1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart. Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.

<i>Reader</i>	The word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

<i>Officiant</i>	Let us read together the Song of the Redeemed.
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<i>Officiant and People</i>	<b>O ruler of the universe, Lord God, great deeds are they that you have done, * surpassing human understanding. Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, * O King of all the ages. Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your Name? * for you only are the Holy One. All nations will draw near and fall down before you, * because your just and holy works have been revealed.</b>  <b>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.</b>
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## The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:1-12

*The Officiant announces the lesson as "A reading from the Gospel of Matthew"*

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

*Officiant*      Here ends the reading.

## Homily

*After the homily, silence may be kept.*

## The Apostles' Creed

<i>Officiant</i>	<b>I believe in God, the Father almighty,</b>
<i>and</i>	<b>creator of heaven and earth;</b>
<i>People</i>	<b>I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.</b>
	<b>He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit</b>
	<b>and born of the Virgin Mary.</b>
	<b>He suffered under Pontius Pilate,</b>
	<b>was crucified, died, and was buried.</b>
	<b>He descended to the dead.</b>
	<b>On the third day he rose again.</b>
	<b>He ascended into heaven,</b>
	<b>and is seated at the right hand of the Father.</b>
	<b>He will come again to judge the living and the dead.</b>
	<b>I believe in the Holy Spirit,</b>
	<b>the holy catholic Church,</b>

**the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **The Prayers**

*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.**

*Officiant and People*     Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
**Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Day by day we bless you;  
**We praise your Name for ever.**

Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
**Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
**For we put our trust in you.**  
In you, Lord, is our hope;  
**And we shall never hope in vain.**

*The Officiant says the Collect of the Day –*

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*Officiant*     O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all

assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**  
Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

We thank you, O Lord, for all the blessings you have bestowed on us. For the lives we have touched and for the opportunity to serve you in ways both large and small. We pray to you for guidance and strength as we look to the future. Help us to trust in you to lead us to new places we cannot yet see. Instill us with vision to discern the path you have laid for us, and grant us strength and courage to walk it with you.

Have mercy on us, O God of lovingkindness. Forgive our weakness and fears and let us remember that all things are possible through your Holy Spirit. Help our members and our leaders to shine with your light. Help us think boldly and never to underestimate all we can do with your grace. Help us to be an inspiration to others: a city on a hill, singing and dancing with all our might like David before your ark. In your holy name we pray, O Lord of light and truth, of overflowing abundance and boundless wisdom.  
**Amen.**

For the Anglican Communion, especially The Church of England;  
The Diocese of Puerto Rico; the Kasese Community Health and Education Foundation; The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.



For the Diocese of Maryland, especially St. John's (Hagerstown); St. Paul's (Sharpsburg); St. Peter's (Lonaconing).

For those on our parish prayer list, especially \_\_\_\_\_.  
And for those we name at this time, aloud or in our hearts.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*The people may add their own petitions.*

Give to the departed eternal rest [especially \_\_\_\_\_].  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*The Officiant offers additional prayers.*

*Officiant* Let us pray together the Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

*Officiant  
and  
People* **Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.**

*Officiant  
People* Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* 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.** 2 Corinthians 13:14