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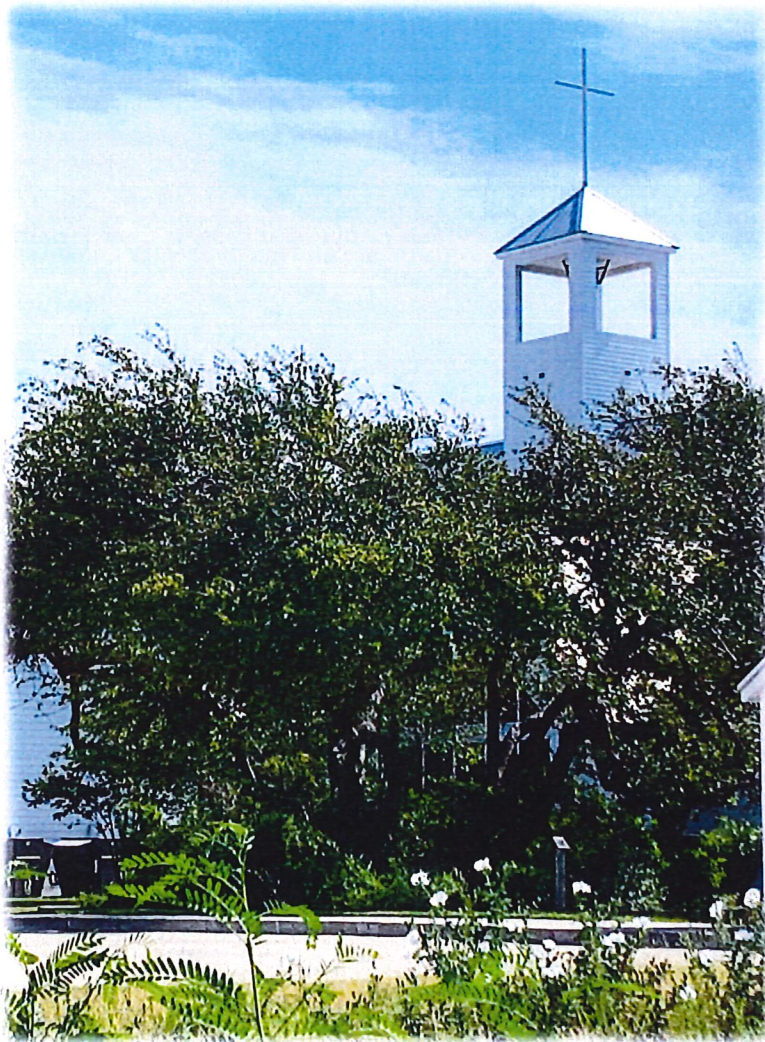
The Rev. James W. Friedel

AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE

Celebrating Saint Constance and Her Companions

Wednesday, September 9, 2020

6:00 pm



Inspire in us a like love and commitment
to those in need, following the example
of our Savior Jesus Christ...

~The Collect

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The Officiant begins

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The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. *Amen.*

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People *The maker of heaven and earth.*

The Officiant may then say

Let us confess our sins to God.

Officiant and People

Almighty God, our heavenly Father:

We have sinned against you,

through our own fault,

in thought, and word, and deed,

and in what we have left undone.

For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,

forgive us all our offenses;

and grant that we may serve you in newness of life,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant

May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

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The Officiant then says

O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People

*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. Alleluia.*

Psalm 25:15-21

(BCP Page 615-616)

Officiant and People

15 Turn to me and have pity on me, *
for I am left alone and in misery.

16 The sorrows of my heart have increased; *
bring me out of my troubles.

17 Look upon my adversity and misery *
and forgive me all my sin.

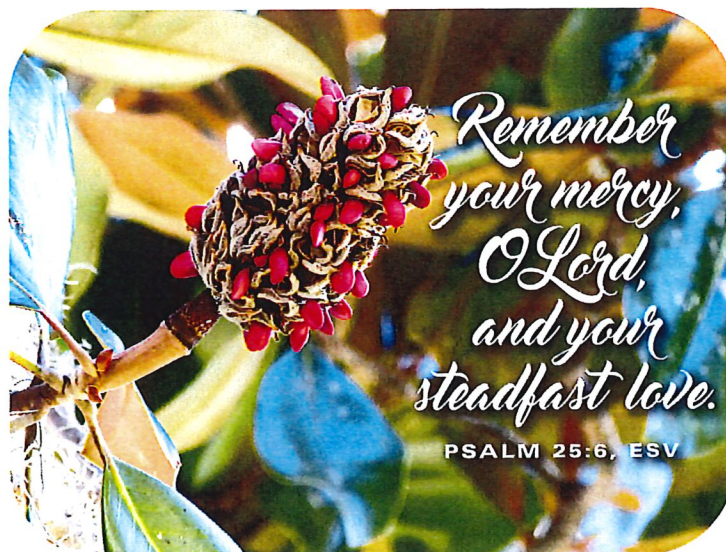
18 Look upon my enemies, for they are many, *
and they bear a violent hatred against me.

19 Protect my life and deliver me; *
let me not be put to shame, for I have trusted in you.

20 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, *
for my hope has been in you.

21 Deliver Israel, O God, *
out of all his troubles.

*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. Alleluia.*



A Reading from 2 Corinthians 1:3-5

The Officiant says

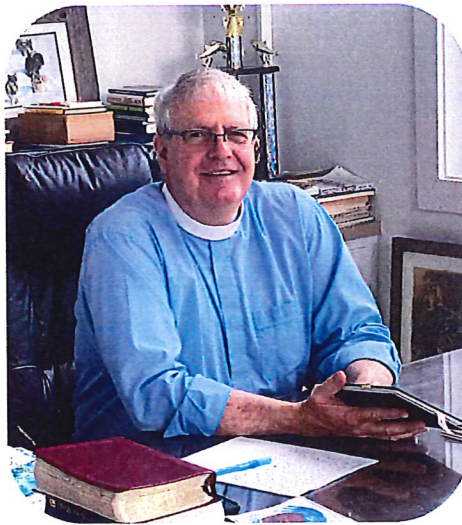
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ.

Officiant *The word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

A Reflection

The Rev. James Friedel



Hymn: O Jesus, I Have Promised

(Hymn #655)



1. O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end: be
2. O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still, a-
3. O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee, that



1. thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend; I
- 2. bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - ders of self - will; O
3. where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be; and,



1. shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side, nor
2. speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol; O
3. Je - sus I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end; O



1. wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
2. speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
3. give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

The Officiant continues

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V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;

R. *For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.*

V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

R. *Hide us under the shadow of your wings.*

Lord, have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Lord's Prayer

(BCP Pages 132-133)

Officiant and People

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.

Officiant: Lord, hear our prayer;

People: *And let our cry come to you.*

Officiant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

The Officiant says

We give you thanks and praise, O God of compassion, for the heroic witness of Constance and her companions, who, in a time of plague and pestilence, were steadfast in their care for the sick and dying, and loved not their own lives, even unto death: Inspire in us a like love and commitment to those in need, following the example of our Savior Jesus Christ; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Key Workers

The Officiant says

We pray for all medical staff and hospital workers, who go to work knowing the risks they face; for medical researchers, seeking ways to prevent and to cure; for social workers, protecting the vulnerable; for care workers, providing contact and support to those who have no other help; for teachers, worrying about their charges; for farmers, delivery and shop workers, keeping the nation provisioned; for those who work to clean and maintain facilities, fighting the spread of infection and being sure that every place is prepared for the new day. *(Continued on next page.)*

Lord, you are our refuge and strength:

Guide us so that we do not fear the challenges on the horizon, for even though the world is changed, we know you never leave us comfortless. Through the grace and model of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

A Collect For Evening Comfort

(BCP Page 133)

The Officiant says

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A time of silence is offered followed by your intercessions and thanksgivings.

All

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Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

*Lord, you now have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised;*

*For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:*

*A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.*

*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.*

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Officiant concludes

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. *Amen.*



Let integrity and uprightness preserve me,
for my hope has been in you.

~Psalm 25:20