

Propers for Morning Prayer
11/18/20
Hilda of Whitby

Psalm 101

¹I will sing of loyalty and of justice;
to you, O LORD, I will sing.
²I will study the way that is blameless.
When shall I attain it?
I will walk with integrity of heart
within my house;
³I will not set before my eyes
anything that is base.
I hate the work of those who fall away;
it shall not cling to me.
⁴Perverseness of heart shall be far from me;
I will know nothing of evil.
⁵One who secretly slanders a neighbor
I will destroy.
A haughty look and an arrogant heart
I will not tolerate.
⁶I will look with favor on the faithful in the land,
so that they may live with me;
whoever walks in the way that is blameless
shall minister to me.
⁷No one who practices deceit
shall remain in my house;
no one who utters lies
shall continue in my presence.
⁸Morning by morning I will destroy
all the wicked in the land,
cutting off all evildoers
from the city of the LORD.

Psalm 109: 1-4, 20-30

¹Do not be silent, O God of my praise.
²For wicked and deceitful mouths are opened against me,
speaking against me with lying tongues.
³They beset me with words of hate,
and attack me without cause.

⁴In return for my love they accuse me,
even while I make prayer for them.
²⁰May that be the reward of my accusers from the LORD,
of those who speak evil against my life.
²¹But you, O LORD my LORD,
act on my behalf for your name's sake;
because your steadfast love is good, deliver me.
²²For I am poor and needy,
and my heart is pierced within me.
²³I am gone like a shadow at evening;
I am shaken off like a locust.
²⁴My knees are weak through fasting;
my body has become gaunt.
²⁵I am an object of scorn to my accusers;
when they see me, they shake their heads.
²⁶Help me, O LORD my God!
Save me according to your steadfast love.
²⁷Let them know that this is your hand;
you, O LORD, have done it.
²⁸Let them curse, but you will bless.
Let my assailants be put to shame; may your servant be glad.
²⁹May my accusers be clothed with dishonor;
may they be wrapped in their own shame as in a mantle.
³⁰With my mouth I will give great thanks to the LORD;
I will praise him in the midst of the throng.

Old Testament

Mal. 1: 1, 6-14

¹An oracle. The word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.

⁶A son honors his father, and servants their master. If then I am a father, where is the honor due me? And if I am a master, where is the respect due me? says the LORD of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. You say, "How have we despised your name?" ⁷By offering polluted food on my altar. And you say, "How have we polluted it?" By thinking that the LORD's table may be despised. ⁸When you offer blind animals in sacrifice, is that not wrong? And when you offer those that are lame or sick, is that not wrong? Try presenting that to your governor; will he be pleased with you or show you favor? says the LORD of hosts. ⁹And now implore the favor of God, that he may be gracious to us. The fault is yours. Will he

show favor to any of you? says the LORD of hosts. ¹⁰Oh, that someone among you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not kindle fire on my altar in vain! I have no pleasure in you, says the LORD of hosts, and I will not accept an offering from your hands. ¹¹For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name is great among the nations, and in every place incense is offered to my name, and a pure offering; for my name is great among the nations, says the LORD of hosts. ¹²But you profane it when you say that the LORD's table is polluted, and the food for it may be despised. ¹³What a weariness this is, you say, and you sniff at me, says the LORD of hosts. You bring what has been taken by violence or is lame or sick, and this you bring as your offering! Shall I accept that from your hand? says the LORD. ¹⁴Cursed be the cheat who has a male in the flock and vows to give it, and yet sacrifices to the LORD what is blemished; for I am a great King, says the LORD of hosts, and my name is revered among the nations.

New Testament

James 3:13 – 4:12

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵ Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶ For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸ And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for^[a] those who make peace.

4 Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ² You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet^[b] something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁴ Adulterers! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. ⁵ Or do you suppose that it is for nothing that the scripture says, “God^[c] yearns jealously for the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶ But he gives all the more grace; therefore it says,

“God opposes the proud,
but gives grace to the humble.”

⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ Lament and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy into dejection. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

¹¹ Do not speak evil against one another, brothers and sisters.^[d] Whoever speaks evil against another or judges another, speaks evil against the law and judges the law; but if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. ¹² There is one lawgiver and judge who is able to save and to destroy. So who, then, are you to judge your neighbor?

Gospel

Luke 17: 11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?" ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Collect

O God of peace, by whose grace the abbess Hilda was endowed with gifts of justice, prudence, and strength to rule as a wise mother over the nuns and monks of her household: Raise up these gifts in us, that we, following her example and prayers, may build up one another in love to the benefit of your church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

