

Psalms and Collects for Trinity 9-13

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All readings for August are from the Letter of James, with one chapter for each week.

Trinity 9 Sunday August 1

Collect

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 51:1-12

1 Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness;
according to the abundance of your compassion
blot out my offences.

**2 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin.**

3 For I acknowledge my faults
and my sin is ever before me.

**4 Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,**

5 So that you are justified in your sentence
and righteous in your judgement.

**6 I have been wicked even from my birth,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

7 Behold, you desire truth deep within me
and shall make me understand wisdom
in the depths of my heart.

**8 Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean;
wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.**

9 Make me hear of joy and gladness,
that the bones you have broken may rejoice.

**10 Turn your face from my sins
and blot out all my misdeeds.**

11 Make me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

**12 Cast me not away from your presence
and take not your holy spirit from me.**

Reading: James 1

Trinity 10 Sunday August 8

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 34:1-8

1 I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

**2 My soul shall glory in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.**

3 O magnify the Lord with me;
let us exalt his name together.

**4 I sought the Lord and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.**

5 Look upon him and be radiant
and your faces shall not be ashamed.

**6 This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.**

7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him
and delivers them.

**8 O taste and see that the Lord is gracious;
blessed is the one who trusts in him.**

Reading: James Chapter 2

Trinity 11 Sunday August 15

Collect

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Psalm 111

1 Alleluia.

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.

**2 The works of the Lord are great,
sought out by all who delight in them.**

3 His work is full of majesty and honour
and his righteousness endures for ever.

**4 He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**

5 He gave food to those who feared him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**6 He showed his people the power of his works
in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

7 The works of his hands are truth and justice;
all his commandments are sure.

**8 They stand fast for ever and ever;
they are done in truth and equity.**

9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and awesome is his name.

**10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
a good understanding have those who live by it;
his praise endures for ever.**

Reading: James Chapter 3

Collect

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 84

1 How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

**2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:**

at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

3 Blessed are they who dwell in your house:
they will always be praising you.

**4 Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion,**

5 Who going through the barren valley find there a spring,
and the early rains will clothe it with blessing.

**6 They will go from strength to strength
and appear before God in Zion.**

7 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
listen, O God of Jacob.

**8 Behold our defender, O God,
and look upon the face of your anointed.**

9 For one day in your courts
is better than a thousand.

**10 I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.**

11 For the Lord God is both sun and shield;
he will give grace and glory;
no good thing shall the Lord withhold
from those who walk with integrity.

12 O Lord God of hosts,
blessed are those who put their trust in you.

Reading: James Chapter 4

Collect

Almighty God,
you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 15

1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may rest upon your holy hill?

**2 Whoever leads an uncorrupt life
and does the thing that is right;**

3 Who speaks the truth from the heart
and bears no deceit on the tongue;

**4 Who does no evil to a friend
and pours no scorn on a neighbour;**

5 In whose sight the wicked are not esteemed,
but who honours those who fear the Lord.

**6 Whoever has sworn to a neighbour
and never goes back on that word;**

7 Who does not lend money in hope of gain,
nor takes a bribe against the innocent;

**8 Whoever does these things
shall never fall.**

Reading: James Chapter 5