The Annotated Script

MORNING PRAYER

DAYLY THROUGHOUT THE YERE.

At the beginning both of Morning Prayer, and lykewyse of Evening Prayer, the Minister shall reade with a lowde voyce, some one of these sentences of the Scriptures that folowe. And then he shall say that, which is written after the said sentences.

A sorrowful spirit is a sacrifice to God: despise not, O Lord, humble and contrite hearts.

DERELY beloved Brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sondry places, to acknowledge and confesse our manifolde sinnes and wickednes, and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of almighty God our heavenly father, but confesse them with an humble, lowly, penitent and obedient harte to the ende that we may obtaine forgivevenes of the same by his infinite goodnesse and mercie.

And although we ought at all tymes humbly to acknowledge our synnes before God, yet ought we moste chiefly so to doe, when we assemble and mete toguether, to rendre thankes for the greate benefites that we have received at his handes, to sette furth his moste worthie praise, to heare his moste holye worde, and to aske those thynges whiche be requisite and necessarie, aswel for the bodye as the soule. wherfore I praye and beseche you, as many as be here presente, to accompany me wyth a pure harte and humble voice, unto the throne of the heauenly grace, saying after me.

A generall confession, to be made* of the whole congregacion after the minister, knelyng.

ALMIGHTIE and most merciful father, we have erred and straied from thy waies, lyke lost shepee we have folowed to much the devises and desires of our owne hartes. We have offended against thy holy lawes: We have left undone those thinges whiche we ought to have done, and we have done those thinges which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lorde, have mercy upon us miserable offendours. Spare thou them O God, whiche confesse their faultes. Restore thou them that be penitent, accordyng to thy promises declared unto mankynde, in Christe Jesu our Lorde. And graunt, O most merciful father, for his sake, that we may hereafter lyve a godly, ryghtuous, and sobre life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

The absolution, or remission of sins, to be pronounced by the Minister alone.

ALMIGHTY God, the father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which de sireth not the deathe of a sinner, but rather that he maye turne from his wickednesse and lyve: and hath geven power and commaundement to hys Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people beyng penitent, the absolution and remission of their synnes: he pardoneth and absolveth all them which truly repent, and unfeinedly beleve his holy gospel. Wherefore we beseche him to graunt us true repentaunce and hys holy spirite, that those thynges may please hym, whych we doe at thys present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy so that at the last we may come to his eternall ioye, through Jesus Christe our lorde.

The people shal aunswere.

Amen.

Then shall the Minister heginne the Lorde's Prayer wyth a loude voice.
OUR Father, whiche arte in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kyngdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Geve us this day our dayly breade. And forgeve us our trespasses, as we forgeve them that trespasse against us. And lead us not into temptacion. But deliver us from evil. Amene.

Preces and Responses by Thomas Morley

Then likewise he shall saye.

O Lord, open thou our lippes.

Aunswere. And our mouthe shall shewe furth thy prayse.  
Prieste. O God, make sped to save us.  
Aunswere. Lord, make haste to helpe us.  
Prieste. Glory be to the father, and to the sonne : and to the holye Ghoste  
As it was in the beginning, [is nowe and ever shalbe: worlde without ende. Amen.]*  
Praise ye the Lorde.

Then shalbe sayde or song, this Psalme folowyng.

Venite – Plainchant

O COME let us syng unto the lord: let us hartely rejoyce in the strength of our salvacion.  
Let us come before his presence wyth thankesgevinge: and shewe oureselfes gladde in hym wyth Psalmes.  
For the Lorde is a great god: and a greate Kyng, above all goddes:  
In his hand are al the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hilles is his also.  
The Sea is his, and he made it and his handes prepared the drie lande.  
O come, let us worshippe and fal doune: and knele before the lorde our maker.  
For he is the Lord our god: and we are the people of his pasture, and the shepe of his handes.  
To day if ye wyl heare his voyce, harden not your hartes: as in the provocacion, and as in the daie of temptacion in the wildernesse.  
When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and sawe my workes.  
Fortie yere long was I greved with this generacion, and saide: it is a people that doe erre in their hartes: for they have not knowny my wayes.  
Unto whom I sware in my wrath that the shoulde not enter into my rest.  
Glory be to the father, and to the sonne: : and to the holye Ghoste  
As it was in the beginning, is nowe, and ever shalbe: worlde without ende. Amen.

Then shal folowe certeyn Psalmes in order, as they bene appoincted in a table made for that pourpose, excepte there be proper Psalmes appointed for that day, and at thend of everye Psalme throughout the yere, and likewise in thende of Benedictus, Benedicite, Magnificat, and Nunc Dimittis,shal be repeated.

Psalms 139,140,141 – Plainchant

Psalm 139

1 O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me.  
2 Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.  
3 Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.
For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.

Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?

If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.

If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;

Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.

Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.

For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.

How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!

If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.

Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.

For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take thy name in vain.

Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?

I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.

Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

Glory be to the father, and to the sonne: : and to the holye Ghoste
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shalbe: worlde without ende. Amen.

PSALM 140

1. Deliver me, O LORD, from the evil man: preserve me from the violent man;
2. Which imagine mischiefs in their heart; continually are they gathered together for war.
3. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent; adders' poison is under their lips. Selah.
4. Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.
5. The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah.
6. I said unto the LORD, Thou art my God: hear the voice of my supplications, O LORD.
7. O GOD the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.
8. Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked device; lest they exalt themselves. Selah.
9. As for the head of those that compass me about, let the mischief of their own lips cover them.
10. Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire; into deep pits, that they rise not up
again.

11 Let not an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow him.
12 I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted, and the right of the poor.
13 Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy presence.

Glory be to the father, and to the sonne: and to the holy Ghoste
   As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shalbe: worlde without ende. Amen.]

PSALM 141

1. LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.
2. Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.
3. Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.
4. Incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties.
5. Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him reprove me; it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also shall be in their calamities.
6. When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my words; for they are sweet.
7. Our bones are scattered at the grave’s mouth, as when one cutteth and cleaveth wood upon the earth.
8. But mine eyes are unto thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my trust; leave not my soul destitute.
9. Keep me from the snares which they have laid for me, and the gins of the workers of iniquity.
10. Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst that I withal escape.

Glory be to the father, and to the sonne: and to the holy Ghoste
   As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shalbe: worlde without ende. Amen.]

A Voluntary upon the Organ

Then shalbe redde two lessons distinctly with a loude voyce, that the people may heare. The first of the olde Testament, the seconde of the newe, Lyke as they he appointed by the Kalender, except there be proper Lessons, assigned for that daye: the Minister that readeth the Lesson, standyng and turning him so as he may best be heard of all such as be present, And before every lesson, the Minister thai saye thus. The fyrst, second, thyrd, or fourth chapter of Genesis or Exodus, Mathewe, Marke, or other like, as is appointed in the Kalender, And in thend of everye chapiter, he shal saye,

¶ Here endeth such a Chapiter of suche a Booke.

And (to the ende the people maye the better heare) in suche places where they do synge, there shall the lessons be songe in a plaine tune after the maner of distinct readinge: and likewise the Epystle and gospell.

The twelfth Chapter of Isaiah

1. And in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.
2. Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.
3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.
4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.
5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth.
6 Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

Here endeth the twelfth Chapter of Isaiah.

*After the firste lesson shall folowe, Te deum laudamus in Englyshe dayly throughe the whole yere.*

*Te Deum (Short Service) – Thomas Tallis*

Te Deum.

We prayse the, O God, we knoweledge the to be the Lorde
All the earth doth worship the, the Father everlastynge.
To the al Aungels crye aloude, the heavens and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin, and Seraphin, continually do crye.
Holy, holy, holy, Lorde God of Sabaoth.
Heaven and earth are ful of the majestye of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles prayse the.
The goodly felowship of the Prophetes prayse the.
The noble armye of Martyrs, prayse the.
The holye Churche through out al the worlde dothe knowledge [acknowledge] the.
The father of an infinite Majestye.
Thy honourable true, and onely sonne.
Also the holy ghost the comforter.
Thou art the kyng of glory, O Christe.
Thou arte the everlastynge sonne of the father.
When thou tokest upon the to deliver man, thou diddest not abhore the virgins wombe.
When thou haddeste overcome the sharpnes of death thou diddest open the kyngdome of heaven to al belevers.
Thou syttest on the ryght hand of God, in the glorye of the father.
We beleve that thou shalt come to be our judge. We therefore pray the, helpe thy servants whom thou hast redemed wyth thy precious bloude.
Make them to be numbred with thy saintes, in glorye everlasting.
O Lord save thy people: and blesse thine heritage.
Govern theme and lifte them up for ever.
Day by day we magnifye the.
And we worshyp thy name ever world without ende.
Vouchsafe, O Lorde, to kepe us thyss daye withoute synne.
O Lorde, have mercy upon us, have mercie upon us.
O Lorde, let thy mercy lyghten upon us : as our trust is in the.
O Lorde, in the have I trusted : let me never be confounded.
The twenty-first Chapter of John

1. After these things Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and on this wise shewed he himself.

2. There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples.

3. Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing. They say unto him, We also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing.

4. But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus.

5. Then Jesus saith unto them, Children, have ye any meat? They answered him, No.

6. And he said unto them, Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.

7. Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher’s coat unto him, (for he was naked,) and did cast himself into the sea.

8. And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits,) dragging the net with fishes.

9. As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread.

10. Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught.

11. Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken.

12. Jesus saith unto them, Come and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.

13. Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise.

14. This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead.

15. So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, loveth thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

16. He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, loveth thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

17. He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, loveth thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

18. Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not.

19. This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me.

20. Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee?

21. Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do?

22. Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me.

23. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said
not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee?

24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true.

25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.

Here endeth the twenty-first Chapter of John.

And after the second lesson shalbe used and sayde Benedictus, in Englyshe, as foloweth,

Benedictus (Short Service) – Thomas Tallis

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israell : for he hath visited and redeemed his people;
And hath raised up a mighty salvacion for us : in the house of hys servaunt David;
As he spake bi the mouth of his holy prophetes : which have benne sence the worlde began;
That we should be saved from our enemyes : and from the handes of al that hate us;
To perfoorme the mercy promised to our forfathers : and to remember his holy covenant;
To performe the othe whiche he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would geve us ;
That we beyng delivred out of the handes of oure enemies : might serve him withoute feare
In holynesse and ryghteousnesse before hym : all the dayes of our lyfe.
And thou Chylde, shalt be called the Prophete of the hyghest for thou shalt go before the face of the Lorde to prepare hys wayes;
To geve knowledge of salvacion unto hys people: for the remission of theyr synnes,
Through the tender mercie of our God : whereby the day spring from on hyghe, hath visited us;
To geve light to them that sitte in darckenes, and in the shadowe of death : and to guyde our feete into the waye of peace.
Glory be to the father, and to the sonne, [and to the holy Gost]*.
As it was in the beginning, is now, [and ever shalbe : worlde wythout ende. Amen.]*

Then shal be sayd the Crede, by the Minister and the people, standyng.

I BELEVE in God the father almightie maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ hys onely sonne our Lorde, which was conceived by the holy ghoste, borne of the Virgen Mary. Suffred under Ponce Pylate, was crucified dead and buried, he descended into Helle. The thirde daye he rose agayn from the deade. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the ryghte hande of God the Father almightie. From thence he shall come to judge the quicke and the deade. I beleve in the holy Ghoste. The holy Catholique Churche. The communion of sainctes. The forgevenesse of sinnes. The resurrection of the body. And the life everlasting. Amen.

And after that, these prayers folowyng, aswell at Evenyng praier as at Mornyng prayer: al devoutlye knelyng. The Minister firste pronouncinge with a loude voyce.

Preces and Responses – Thomas Morley

The Lorde be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirite.
Minister. Let us praie.
Lorde have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lorde have mercy upon us.

*Then the Minister, Clarkes, and people; shall saye the Lordes prayer in Englyshe, with a loud voice.*

OUR Father, whiche arte in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kyngdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Geve us this day our dayly breade. And forsewe us our trespasses, as we forsewe them that trespasse against us. And lead us not into temptacion. But deliver us from evil. Amene

*Then the Minister; standing up shal say.*

O lorde, shewe thy mercy upon us.

**Aunswere.** And graunte us thy salvacion.

**Prieste.** O Lorde save the King.

**Aunswere.** And mercifully here us when we call upon the.

**Prieste.** Endue thy minsters with rightuousnes.

**Aunswere.** And make thy chosen people joyful.

**Prieste.** O Lorde save thy people.

**Aunswere.** And blesse thyne enheritaunce.

**Prieste.** Geve peace in our tyme, O Lorde.

**Aunswere.** Because there is none other that fyghteth for us, but onely thou, O God.

**Prieste.** O God make clene our hartes with in us.

**Aunswere.** And take not thy holy spirite from us.

*Then shal folowe three Collectes. The firste of the daye, whiche shall be the same that is appoincted at the Communion, The seconde for peace, The thirde for Grace to live wel. And the two leaste Collectes shal never altere, but dayly be sayde at Mornyng praiyer, throughoute al the yere, foloweth.*

**The Collect.**

ALMYGHTYE God, geve us grace, that we may cast awaye the workes of darknes, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the tyme of this mortall lyfe, (in the whiche thy sonne Jesus Christe came to visite us in great humilitie;) that in the last daye when he shal come again in his glorious majesty to judge bothe the quicke and the dead, we maye ryse to the lyfe immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the holy ghoste now and ever. Amen.

¶ **The seconde Collecte for Peace.**

O GOD, whiche art authour of peace, and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal lyfe, whose service is perfect fredom; defend us thy humble servaunts in al assaultes of our enemies that we surely trusting in thy defence, may not feare the power of any adversaries : through the might of Jesu Christ our lord, Amen.

**The thirde Collecte for Grace.**

OLORDE our heavenly father, almightie and everlastyng God, whiche hast safely broughte us to the begynnyng of thys daye: defende us in the same wyth thy myghtye power, and graunte that this daie we
fall into no synne, nether rune into any kinde of daunger: but that al our doinges may be ordred by thy
governaunce, to doe alwayes that is rightuous in thy sighte: through Jesus Christe our Lorde.

Amen.

*Anthem — If ye love me — Thomas Tallis*