

## THIRD SUNDAY OF THE APOSTLES

### Anthem of the Chancel

*He whose hands are clean and whose heart is approved.*

At the hour the priest enters the Sanctuary bands of angels rise above him, and they look upon the priest breaking and administering the Body of Christ for the pardon of debts.

*He does not swear by himself falsely, nor swear with deceit.*

At the hour the priest enters the Sanctuary bands of angels rise above him, and they look upon the priest breaking and administering the Body of Christ for the pardon of debts.

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; from everlasting, and for ever and ever. Amen.*

May the Cross, which became for us a cause of good things, and by which our mortal race was freed, be for us, O my Lord, a mighty bulwark, and by it may we conquer the Evil One and all his wiles.

## The Lections

Isaiah 1:1-9

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth;

for the LORD has spoken:

"Sons have I reared and brought up,

but they have rebelled against me.

The ox knows its owner,

and the ass its master's crib;

but Israel does not know,

my people does not understand."

Ah, sinful nation,

a people laden with iniquity,

offspring of evildoers,

sons who deal corruptly!

They have forsaken the LORD,

they have despised the Holy One of Israel,

they are utterly estranged.

Why will you still be smitten,

that you continue to rebel?

The whole head is sick,

and the whole heart faint.

From the sole of the foot even to the head,

there is no soundness in it,

but bruises and sores  
and bleeding wounds;  
they are not pressed out, or bound up,  
or softened with oil.  
Your country lies desolate,  
your cities are burned with fire;  
in your very presence  
aliens devour your land;  
it is desolate, as overthrown by aliens.  
And the daughter of Zion is left  
like a booth in a vineyard,  
like a lodge in a cucumber field,  
like a besieged city.  
If the LORD of hosts  
had not left us a few survivors,  
we should have been like Sodom,  
and become like Gomorrah.

### **The Shuraya**

If the LORD had not been my help, \*  
My soul would soon have dwelt in misery. \*  
I said, "My feet slip," \*  
And your steadfast love, O LORD, held me up. \*  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Spirit; \*  
From everlasting, and for ever and ever. Amen. \*

## **The Apostle**

### 1 Corinthians 7:1-7

Now concerning the matters about which you wrote. It is well for a man not to touch a woman. But because of the temptation to immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband. The husband should give to his wife her conjugal rights, and likewise the wife to her husband. For the wife does not rule over her own body, but the husband does; likewise the husband does not rule over his own body, but the wife does. Do not refuse one another except perhaps by agreement for a season, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, lest Satan tempt you through lack of self-control. I say this by way of concession, not of command. I wish that all were as I myself am. But each has his own special gift from God, one of one kind and one of another.

## **The Zumara**

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness, and your righteous ones with glory. For your servant David's sake do not turn away the face of your anointed one. \*

Her priests he will clothe with salvation, and her righteous ones with glory. There he will make a horn to sprout for David, and will light a lamp for his anointed. \*

## **The Gospel**

Luke 10:23-end

Then turning to the disciples [Jesus] said privately, "Blessed are the eyes which see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it."

And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road;

and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Now as they went on their way, he entered a village; and a woman named Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her."

## **Anthem of the Mysteries**

**Text:** *Come, let us go and bow down before the Lord.*

*Come, let us glorify the Lord.*

Come, let us all seek refuge in prayer, which is the key to the heavenly treasure, and as the notes of the hymns are sweet, so may our ways be before him, that with words and deeds we may please the Lord.

*Come, children, listen to me, both small and great.*

Come, let us all seek refuge in prayer, which is the key to the heavenly treasure, and as the notes of the hymns are sweet, so may our ways be before him, that with words and deeds we may please the Lord.

## **Anthem of the Bema**

Come, let us all draw near to the Body and Blood of Christ in fear and trembling, and in love let us receive him and sing praise. For the same was shown to Isaiah the Prophet mystically. A spiritual one gave him a live coal and his debts were pardoned.

Let us all hasten to him and worship his Godhead with the companies on high, saying, You are holy, you are holy, you are holy, O hidden Being.  
Hallelujah!

**Verses:**

This is the hope for which the Prophets awaited in mysteries, Jesus our King, who arose from the house of David.

Let us all hasten to him and worship his Godhead with the companies on high, saying, You are holy, you are holy, you are holy, O hidden Being.  
Hallelujah!

This is he whom the Prophet saw sitting upon the throne, who is now at the right hand and beseeches on our behalf.

Let us all hasten to him and worship his Godhead with the companies on high, saying, You are holy, you are holy, you are holy, O hidden Being.  
Hallelujah!

