

Prayers of the Ancient Church

Week 3

The Collect of St. John Chrysostom

Author: St. John Chrysostom, "Golden-Mouthed" (c. 349 AD-407 AD)

From the Second Antiphon of the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Traditional Protestant translation:

Almighty God, You have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to You; and You have promised through Your most beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name You will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, these desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of Your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

English translation from the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America:

Lord, You have granted us to offer these common prayers in unison and have promised that when two or three agree in Your name, You will grant their requests. Fulfill now, O Lord, the petitions of Your servants as may be of benefit to them, granting us in the present age the knowledge of Your truth, and in the age to come eternal life. Amen.