



The Holy Eucharist

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 3, 2024

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We hope this service of worship will be a source of strength and inspiration for your spiritual journey.

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CHORAL PRELUDE

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and Life

Hurd

HYMN 685

Rock of Ages, cleft for me

Toplady

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Page 355, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People **His mercy endures for ever.**
Celebrant

Almighty God, to you our hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Page 218, Book of Common Prayer

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS

Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 19, Caeli enarrant

BCP page 606



1 The heavens declare the glory of / God, *
and the firmament shows his / handiwork.
2 One day tells its tale to a / nother, *
and one night imparts knowledge to a / nother.
3 Although they have no words or / language, *
and their voices are not / heard,
4 Their sound has gone out into all / lands, *
and their message to the ends of the / world.
5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the / sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its / course.
6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it a / gain; *
nothing is hidden from its burning / heat.
7 The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the / soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the / innocent.
8 The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the / heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the / eyes.
9 The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for / ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous al / together.
10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine / gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the / comb.
11 By them also is your servant en / lightened, *
and in keeping them there is great re / ward.
12 Who can tell how often he o / ffends? *
cleanse me from my secret / faults.
13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over / me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great o / ffense.
14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your / sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my re / deemer.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 641

Lord Jesus, think on me

Southwell

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 2:13-22

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

SERMON

The Rev. Alan D. Bentrup

A period of silent reflection follows the Sermon

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Page 358, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant and People

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit**

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Let us pray for our church and our world, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

God of all mercy, we pray for the Church universal, that you would unite all people, bishops and clergy together in truth and love, and reveal your glory in the world through your church. We pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda, Epiphany in Calvert, Holy Innocents in Madisonville, and Plantación and St. Andrew’s in Bryan, and Countryside Bible, and Cross Pointe Church. Hear us, O God.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor God of all mercy, give wisdom and insight to the people of our nation in selecting our leaders; let them be kind, but never compromising on the needs of all people; grant that they would respect the variety of beliefs represented in our country, as well as all people groups, acknowledging and valuing our shared humanity. Heal the wounds that divide us, and grant that we might take part in that healing, worthily loving our neighbors as ourselves. Hear us, O God.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor God of all mercy, we pray for the welfare of the world, and all who call it home. We pray for all areas of the world that are in conflict: Ukraine, Gaza, Central and South America, and Africa. We pray for those affected by the world-wide drug crisis, and the global refugee crisis. We pray also for a heart of stewardship and care for our planet. Hear us, O God.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor God of all mercy, we pray for unhoused neighbors and the volunteers who support them. We pray for an open dialogue for our educators and those who would benefit from their knowledge and instruction. We pray for openness with our church neighbors and love for all who worship you. We pray for those who are isolated and excluded and those who feel alone. In our community, we pray for the students, teachers, and staff of Grapevine Colleyville ISD, Green Valley Elementary, and Grisham Middle. Hear us, O God.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor God of all mercy, your son brought good news to the despairing and the suffering, freedom to the oppressed, and joy to downcast. Fill us with your spirit that the people of our day may see his likeness and glorify his name. Save us from the pride that would refuse your command to live like you in simplicity and joy, loving our neighbors as ourselves. To you we pray for all who suffer, including those we now name (PAUSE) Hear us, O God.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor God of all mercy, we pray for all who have died, [including N.]. Hear us, O God.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

After the prayers, the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect. The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
We confess that we have sinned against you
In thought, word, and deed,
By what we have done,
And by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Have mercy on us and forgive us;
That we may delight in your will,
And walk in your ways,
To the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

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OFFERTORY 471

We sing the praise of him who died

Breslau

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 380 ST. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **As it is right and proper.**

Celebrant

It is very right and proper and our committed duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a proper preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed

Who did call on your faithful people to cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify

your glorious Name; evermore praising you, and saying

SANCTUS HYMN S 125

Holy, Holy, Holy

Proulx

The Celebrant continues

All glory be to you, O Lord our God, for that you did create heaven and earth, and did make us in your own image; and, of your tender mercy, did give your own Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death on the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his Holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to You, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And now, O Lord and heavenly Father, we, your people, celebrate and make, with these your own holy gifts which we now offer back to you, the memorial your Son has commanded us to make; remembering his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we humbly ask you, O merciful Father, to hear us, and with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us and to us, the Body and Blood of your dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire your Fatherly goodness, in accepting this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, by which we offer and present to you, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we ask, that all who take part in this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with your grace and heavenly blessing; and also that we and all your whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may live in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

By Him, and with Him, and in Him, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and Glory be to you, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

FRACTION ANTHEM S161

Lamb of God

Hurd

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant and People

We do not presume to come this, your Holy Table, O Merciful Lord, trusting in our own Righteousness, but in your great and unending mercies. We are not worthy to so much as gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same God whose stance toward us is always mercy. Grant, gracious Lord, that we may eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and drink his blood, that we may dwell forever in him, and he in us. Amen

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION HYMN 318

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face

Nyack

CHOIR ANTHEM

Be Still and Know

Chapman

SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

This week's visitor is Evie Larimore.

Eucharistic Visitors present themselves at the Altar to receive the Sacrament to take to those who are prevented from attending in person. The Celebrant then says,

In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

The People respond,

We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Eucharistic Visitors remain until the Altar Party retires, then leave for their visits.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant and People together standing

Almighty and Everliving God, we wholeheartedly thank you that you have fed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; by that, you assure us of your favor and goodness toward us; and that we are truly members incorporated into the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting Kingdom. And we humbly ask, O heavenly Father, that you assist us with your grace, that we may persevere in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and holy Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN 409

The spacious firmament on high

Creation

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Little Prelude and Fugue in Dm

Bach

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