

**ADVENT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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9:00 a.m.

**The Third Sunday in Lent
Holy Eucharist – A Penitential Order
Rite II**

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL Hymn # 558 Faith of Our Fathers!

Faith of our Fathers! Living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
Whene'er we hear that glorious word:
*Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.*

OPENING SALUTATION & RESPONSE BCP 351

The people standing.

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People ***His mercy endures for ever. Amen.***

THE DECALOGUE BCP 350

The people kneeling

Hear the commandments of God to his people:
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

The Celebrant reads the following sentence

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:14, 16)

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People

BCP 320

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our
own hearts,

we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to
have done,

and we have done those things which we ought not to
have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

KYRIE ELEISON

BCP 356

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 218

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.*

The people sit

READING

Daniel 1:17-21

Pew Bible 922

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

19:7-14

BCP 607

- 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 altogether.
- 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 enlightened,*
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹² Who can tell how often he offends?*
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 offense.
- ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight,*
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Psalm Response (said)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

READING Romans 7:13-25 Pew Bible 1183

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

As the Deer

As the deer panteth for the water,
So my soul longeth after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship Thee.

*You alone are my strength, my shield.
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee.*

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 2:13-22 Pew Bible 1111

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

As the Deer

You're my friend and You are my brother,
Even though You are a King.
I Love You more than any other,
So much more than anything. (Chorus)

*You alone are my strength, my shield.
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee.*

SERMON

Pastor Paul Laursen

NICENE CREED *(all standing)*

BCP 358

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 BCP 387, Form 3

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly
 serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests and deacons, especially Archbishop Welby; our Presiding Bishop
 Curry; our own Bishops, Hollingsworth and Love.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

Our Father in heaven,

We pray with open hearts and minds to know your will for us.

Reveal to us the initiatives we should take:

For nourishing ourselves with your Word; for supporting each other in Christian fellowship; for taking the Gospel to outside communities; and for loving and serving others in the power of your Spirit.

We are grateful for the pastoral encouragement you have provided us in this season. We are grateful for our lay leadership in their shouldering of extra burdens. Lord, we ask that you lay bare the hearts of this congregation, and open each one of us to every new day. Open us to what you have for our future as a new church family in Christ. Amen.

THE PEACE

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Then the Celebrant and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

PRESENTATION OF ALMS & OBLATIONS

PREPARATION OF ELEMENTS

DOXOLOGY

The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise him all creatures here below

Praise him above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them to the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People say

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

(Said) ***Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.***

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

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

(In Lent, Alleluia is omitted.)

Celebrant 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.

** The celebrant only will partake of the wafer and wine. Communion will not be administered to the congregation.*

COMMUNION HYMN One Bread, One Body

*One bread, one body, one Lord of all
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth
We are one body in this one Lord.*

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
Woman or man, no more. *(Refrain)*

Many the gifts, many the works,
One in the Lord of all. *(Refrain)*

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
Gathered to one, for all. *(Refrain)*

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People and Celebrant

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every Altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to You praise and thanksgiving.

I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory.

And since I cannot receive You today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart.

Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you.

May I live in You and You in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL Hymn # 558 Faith of Our Fathers!

Faith of our fathers! Faith and prayer

Shall win all nations unto thee;

And through the truth that comes from God,

Mankind shall then indeed be free.

Faith of our fathers, holy faith!

We will be true to thee till death.

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

POSTLUDE