

Welcome

Lent is a season of repentance and renewal during which we prepare to celebrate the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. The church itself reflects the austerity of the season by the removal of ornate fixtures, appointments, and vessels. Some find kneeling where indicated in the service bulletin, or bowing if unable to kneel, to be a helpful spiritual practice during this penitential season. However one chooses to observe the season, the desired end is to draw nearer to Jesus as we worship together.

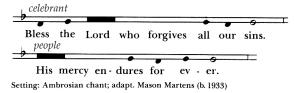
• at the sound of the bells, all stand

Hymn 152 Kind Maker of the world, O hear



Words: Att. Gregory the Great (540-604); ver. Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: A la venue de Noël, melody from Fleurs des noëls, 1535

Opening Acclamation



Penitential Order BCP 351

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 vfind grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14,16

• bidden by the deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

• all kneel, said by all

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.

Absolution BCP 353

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

BCP • Book of Common Prayer

S • Service music found at the front of the hymnal

LEVAS • Lift Every Voice and Sing

The people's responses are indicated in bold type.





Setting: From Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

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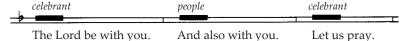
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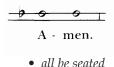
Lord,

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Collect for the Third Sunday in Lent



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.



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First Reading 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19 • sung by all



- 1 The heavens declare the glory of / God,* and the firmament shows / his handiwork.
- One day tells its tale to an/other,* and one night imparts knowledge to / another.
- 3 Although they have no words or / language,* and their voi/ces 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 again;*
 nothing is hidden from / its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and re/vives the soul;* the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to / the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and re/joice 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.
- More to be desired are they than gold, more than / much fine gold,* sweeter far than honey, than hon/ey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant en/lightened,* and in keeping them there / is great reward.
- 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.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

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."

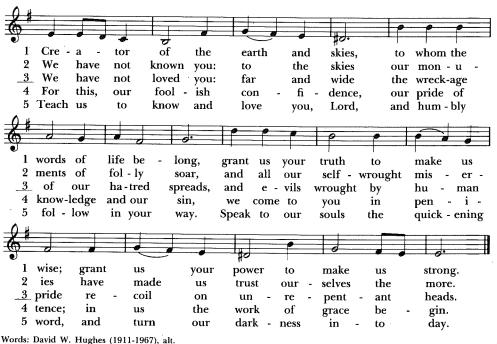
Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to 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.

Hymn 148 Creator of the earth and skies



Music: Uffingham, melody Jeremiah Clarke (1670-1707), alt.

LM

Gospel John 2:13-22

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

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Sermon The Rev. Deacon Eva Markhamy

• all stand

Nicene Creed • 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 • Form IV • BCP 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and revealvyour glory in the world.

• silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

• silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

• silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

• silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Your own intercessions and thanksgivings are invited, either silently or aloud.

• silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

• the celebrant adds a concluding collect

The Peace • all greet one another in the name of the Lord

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Dean's Welcome

LITURGY OF THE ALTAR



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Offertory Anthem My spirit longs for thee

Simon Lole

My Spirit longs for thee Within my troubled breast Though I unworthy be Of so divine a guest.

Of so divine a guest Unworthy though I be Yet has my heart no rest Unless it come from thee. Unless it come from thee In vain I look around In all that I can see No rest is to be found. No rest is to be found

But in thy blessed love
O let my wish be crowned
And send it from above.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A • BCP 361

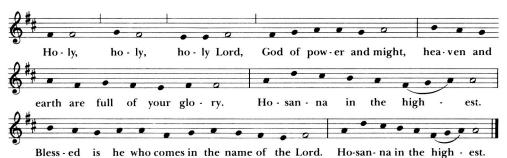


It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for 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:

Sanctus S 124



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:

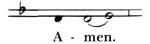
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

The Great Amen



The Lord's Prayer • BCP 364 • traditional version

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

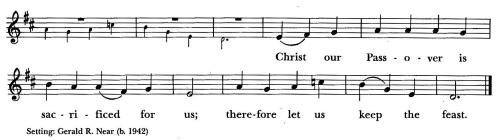
Give us this day our daily bread.

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

Fraction Anthem S 156



Invitation to Communion

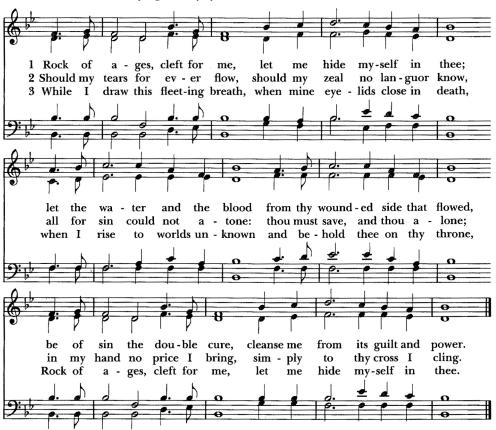
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

- any baptized person from any Christian tradition who wishes to encounter the Real Presence of the Risen Christ in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood is welcome to receive Holy Communion.
 If you wish to learn more about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, please speak with a priest or deacon following the liturgy.
- gluten free wafers are available; as you prepare to receive bread indicate your preference to the priest
- if you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest
- for those attending virtually

An Act of Spiritual Communion

Jesus, my Savior, I ask you to come into my heart and fill me with your love. Although I cannot physically join with others to celebrate the Eucharist today, I desire to offer my thanksgivings and prayers in union with all who worship you, wherever they may be. And although I cannot receive you now sacramentally in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, still I desire to receive your body and blood spiritually and feed on your love, that I may be united with you and with all your people in one communion and fellowship, your mystical body the church, now and ever more. Amen.





Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740-1778), alt. Music: *Toplady*, Thomas Hastings (1784-1872)

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Prayer after Communion • Enriching Our Worship

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Solemn Prayer over the People

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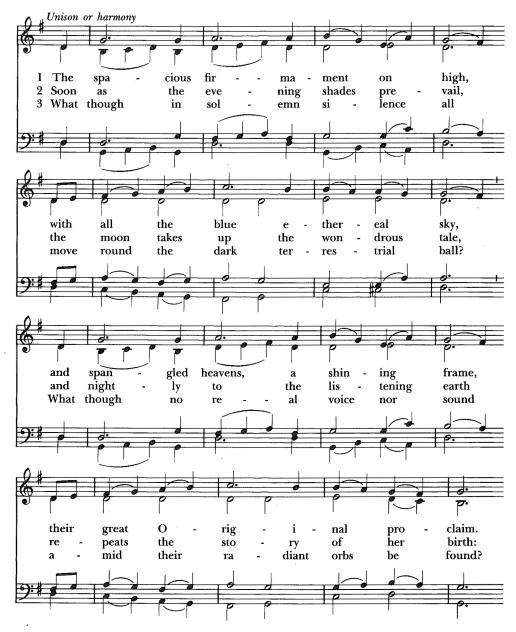
Bow down before the Lord.

• all kneel or bow

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord

Amen

Hymn 409 The spacious firmament on high





Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Very Rev. Matthew Bradley, celebrant
The Rev. Dr. Eva Markham, deacon
Dr. Mark Kano, choir director
Denise Whittington, organist
Kitten Lawless, Carolyn Van Zant, lectors
Randy Peters, intercessor
Mike Foster, John Werst, Marilyn Werst, Carolyn VanZant, chalice bearers
Susan Torok, Kim McDaniel, Bill Shelton, acolytes
Rob Guillen, altar guild
Bobbie Fritton, greeter
Jim Moninn, Sissy Lanier, ushers
Patsy Melton, bell ringer
Tim Tice, live stream



Christ Church Cathedral bears witness to mass shootings

The placards on the walls throughout the nave serve as a witness to mass shootings in the United States of America during 2023. Each placard bears the name of the city and state where a mass shooting took place, as well as the number of people killed and injured. The Gun Violence Archive defines a mass shooting as those that "have a minimum of four victims shot, either injured or killed, not including any shooter who may also have been killed or injured in the incident."

At the time of publication, there have been 64 mass shootings in the USA this year.

We hope this witness brings us to our knees in prayer for an end to gun violence. And we ask the Holy Spirit to show us how we are called to act in response to these tragedies.

For more information on mass shootings and gun violence in America, visit gunviolencechive.org





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