

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 4, 2018

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Celebrant - The Reverend Bridget K. Tierney

Preacher - The Reverend Canon Steven M. Roberts

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Children, Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to the Nursery for breakfast and the Good Shepherd Atrium for Christian Formation. They will join us in the cathedral at The Peace. An usher will be happy to assist you with directions.

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY - Prière, Op.20César Franck

When the bell sounds, please stand and join in singing

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #388 - O worship the King, all glorious above! Hanover

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Prayer Book, Page 319

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Prayer Book, Page 320

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY *Kyrie eleison*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON ~ 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. Six days you shall labor 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 choir sings

PSALM 19 *Caeli enarrant*

Setting by Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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| 1 | The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork. | and gives light to the eyes. |
| 2 | One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another. | 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether. |
| 3 | Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard, | 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb. |
| 4 | Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world. | 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward. |
| 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. | 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults. |
| 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. | 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. |
| 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. | 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. |
| 8 | The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear | |

THE SECOND LESSON ~ 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 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.

Please stand.

The choir sings the

TRACT - 42:1-7 *Quemadmodum*

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| 1 As the deer longs for the water brooks, * | and led them into the house of God, |
| so longs my soul for you, O God. | 5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, * |
| 2 My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; * | among those who keep holy day. |
| when shall I come to appear before the presence of God? | 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? * |
| 3 My tears have been my food day and night, * | and why are you so disquieted within me? |
| while all day long they say to me, | 7 Put your trust in God; * |
| “Where now is your God?” | for I will yet give thanks to him, |
| 4 I pour out my soul when I think on these things: * | who is the help of my countenance, and my God. |
| how I went with the multitude | |

THE HOLY GOSPEL ~ John 2:13-22

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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 be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

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Prayer Book, Page 326

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Book, Page 328

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The Liturgy of the Table

ANTHEM

Beati quorum via integra est, *Blessed are the undefiled in the way,*
qui ambulant in lege Domini. *who walk in the law of the Lord.*

Words: Psalm 119:1

Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Please stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN #144 ~ Lord Jesus, Sun of Righteousness..... Cornhill

mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
 God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
 world, grant us thy peace.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.

ANTHEM

Let my complaint come before thee O Lord,
 Give me understanding according to Thy word.
 Let my supplication come before Thee, deliver me according to Thy word.
 My lips shall speak of Thy praise when Thou hast taught me Thy statutes
 Yea, my tongue shall sing of Thy word, for all Thy commandments are righteous.
 O let my soul live and it shall praise Thee, and Thy judgements shall help me. Amen.

Music: Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

Text: Psalm 119

Please join in singing

HYMN #313 - Let thy Blood in mercy poured..... *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*

Please join in saying

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 339

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #471 - We sing the praise of him who died..... *Breslau*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY - Diapason Movement..... Maurice Greene

Please join us Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you need a contribution envelope, please pick up a box in the back of the cathedral on the harpsichord.

The Choir sings Choral Evensong this afternoon at 4:00 PM. The Dean officiates, The new rector of Trinity Church preaches.

Daylight Savings time begins on Saturday night. Be sure to set your clocks forward an hour so you won't be late for church!

If you would like to make a contribution toward the Easter Flower array in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please clearly note this on a check or an Easter Flower envelope - return it to the Cathedral office by Monday, March 19. Names will be listed in the Easter service leaflets. Many thanks!

The Cathedral Parish Annual Meeting takes place after the 10:00 Eucharist on Sunday, March 11. All active members are encouraged to attend this important event. If you are a chair of a committee, please write a brief annual report and submit it to Canon Follette, jarrettfollette@cccnola.org, by Friday, March 2.

Spring Adult Education - "Early Christian Literature that didn't get into the New Testament"

"Twenty-seven books were accepted by the Church as the "New Testament." Many other books were written in the first century that didn't get into the approved scripture of the Church. Many of the 'non-canonical' texts were very much respected, but didn't make the cut; others were scurrilous and deserved to be 'thrown-aside.' In this offering we will read and discuss some of the 'good' books and some of the 'bad' books. The texts can be found in two readily available and very reasonably priced anthologies. The first is Cyril Richardson (ed.) *Early Christian Fathers* (Library of Christian Classics, vol. 1) and the second is *Lost Scriptures: The Books that did not Make it into the New Testament* (Bart Ehrman, ed). Both books are available from Amazon at less than \$10 each. The sessions will meet on Wednesday afternoons, February 28, March 7, 14, 21 and April 11, 18 and 25. There will also be a single day session on Saturday, April 28."

Please consider hosting Coffee Hour after a 10:00 am Sunday Eucharist. This is a vital part of our ministry. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway outside of Stuart Hall.

If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact use via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please DO NOT use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.



March 4, 2018 – Lent 3 (B)
The Presiding Bishop’s Lent 3 Devotional

Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop and Primate Michael Curry joined the leaders of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in preparing Lenten Devotions for the season. The full set of devotions, “Set Free by Truth,” can be found and printed at bit.ly/lentendevotional.

“But we proclaim Christ crucified”

Some things just don’t make much sense. Water doesn’t become wine, bread and fish do not suddenly multiply, the lame do not jump up and walk. And most certainly, dead people stay dead, especially those who experience the horrific death of crucifixion!

And yet, where Jesus is involved, all kinds of things that don’t make much sense...happen.

In those earliest years of the Jesus Movement, his followers didn’t wear crosses around their necks or hang them in the homes in which they worshipped. They had other symbols, certainly, but not crosses. Crucifixion was not a historical curiosity, but a still-present reality, and an agonizing and shameful one at that. To be crucified was to be executed as a common criminal. Worse, according to the Hebrew Scriptures, cursed was one who hung on a tree, on the wood of a cross.

So to speak of “Christ crucified” didn’t make sense to many. It was a stumbling block, something foolish or offensive. But Paul said otherwise. Yes, Jesus could have avoided the cross, found some other way around it. But instead he faced the worst the world could throw at him, and then broke through death itself, and left an empty cross behind as witness to his astonishing victory.

Some things don’t make much sense. The cross is one of them. But it stands now and forever as our rallying cry that God—not injustice, not suffering, not even death—has the final, victorious word.

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
The Episcopal Church

Prayer

“Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace.”

Prayer for Mission, The Book of Common Prayer 1979



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THE WEEK OF MARCH 4, 2018

SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, 1928 Prayer Book (Chapel)
- 9:45 AM Children's Christian Formation (Martin Room)
- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Sung)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour
- 4:00 PM Choral Evensong
- 6:00 PM REAL PRESENCE (Contemplative Holy Eucharist)

MONDAY

- 12:00 PM Al-Anon (Martin Room)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 1:00 PM Book Club (Advent House)
- 5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp

TUESDAY

- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp
- 5:30 PM Yoga (Cathedral)
- 6:45 PM Seeker's Book Study (Advent House)

WEDNESDAY

- 11:30 PM Contemplative Prayer & Book Study (AH)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 1:00 PM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Westfeldt Room)
- 1:30 PM Canon Lowry's Study
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

- 10:00 AM Cathedral Tours
- 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women Only)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp

FRIDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

SATURDAY

- 9:00 AM Office open until noon.
- 9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Centering Prayer (Advent House)
- 10:00 AM Eracism - Westfeldt Room

SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, 1928 Prayer Book (Chapel)
- 9:45 AM Children's Christian Formation (Martin Room)
- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Sung)
- 11:15 AM Annual Meeting
- 6:00 PM REAL PRESENCE (Contemplative Holy Eucharist)

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