The Second Sunday in Lent

March 12, 2017 10:00 AM

The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Celebrant - The Very Reverend David A. duPlantier, *Dean* 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

When the bell sounds, please stand and join in singing

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,

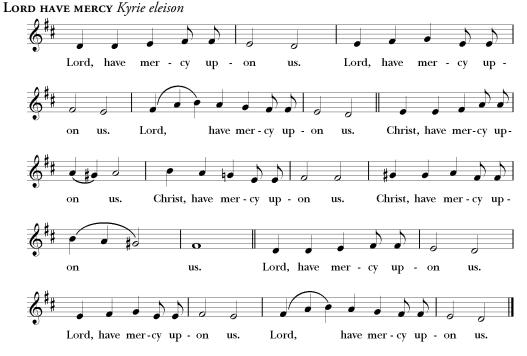
by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

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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.



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON ~ Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

The choir sings

PSALM 121 Levavi oculos

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; * from where is my help to come?

2 My help comes from the Lord, * the maker of heaven and earth.

- 3 He will not let your foot be moved * and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep;

Setting by H. Walford Davies

- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; * the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, * nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; * it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, * from this time forth for evermore.

THE SECOND LESSON - Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

Please stand.

The choir sings the

TRACT - Psalm 106:1-5 Confitemini Domino

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * for his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the LORD * or show forth all his praise?
- 3 Happy are those who act with justice * and always do what is right!

- 4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people, * and visit me with your saving help;
- 5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people, * that I may glory with your inheritance.

THE HOLY GOSPEL - John 3:1-17

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

After a moment of silence all stand.

THE NICENE CREED Prayer Book, Page 326

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The Liturgy of the Table

ANTHEM

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life.

Cleona Torres, Soprano

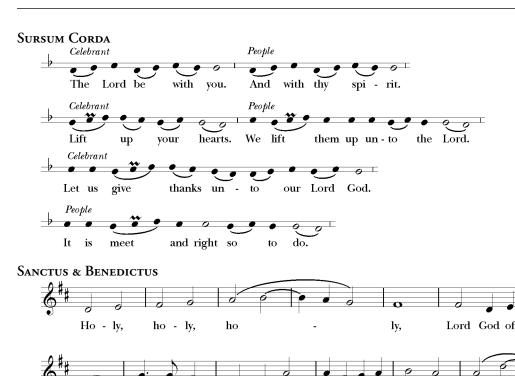
Music: Robert (Bob) Chilcott (b. 1955)

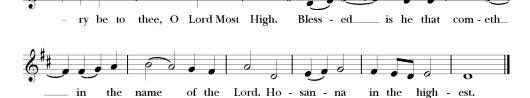
Text: John 3:16

Please stand and sing

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ Eucharistic Prayer I

Prayer Book, Page 333





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The people kneel or stand.

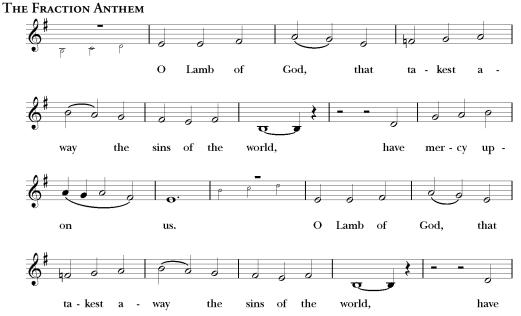
THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

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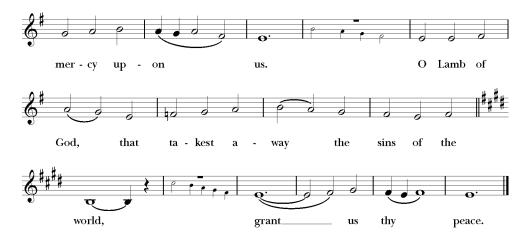
THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD



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Prayer Book, Page 336



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

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy and thy loving kindness which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou on me.

Words: Psalm 25

Music: Richard Farrant (1530-1580)

Please join in singing

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

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

Please join us Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation.

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Announcements

- Sunday, March 12 Choral Evensong 4:00 PM. Canon David Lowry, Preaches
- Sunday, March 19 Parish Annual Meeting 11:30 AM
- Sunday, March 26 Concert: The New Orleans Vocal Arts Chorale (NOVA), featuring Casey Candebat, Tenor

The Choir sings Choral Evensong on this afternoon at 4:00 PM. The Dean officiates, Canon Lowry preaches. The Young Artist in Residence at Saint Louis Cathedral, Emmanuel Arakélian, will play the voluntaries.

Join us for a Quiet Day at Advent House on March 17. Advent House is located at 1637 7th Street, behind Christ Church Cathedral. We begin with centering prayer at 9:30 and then take time for personal spiritual practices such as journaling, reading, writing, praying. We end with centering prayer at 2:00 and leave at 2:30. Bring a lunch if desired and any art or sewing project that you would like to work on. Coffee and tea provided. Feel free to come and go anytime during the hours of 9:30 and 2:30.

Jericho Road Hospitality Volunteers Needed: Jericho Road will be hosting over 100 workers from Marriott Corp for a workday in the neighborhood behind the Cathedral on Friday, March 31. Volunteers are needed to staff a tent for registration, and to provide refreshments and First Aid to the workers. Please contact Angela Kellum at lakellum@gmail.com if you are able to volunteer a few hours of your time, or would like to donate snacks or water.

The Cathedral Parish Annual Meeting takes place after the 10:00 Eucharist on Sunday, March 19. 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, as soon as possible.

Canon David Lowry presents Jewish and Christian Apocalyptic: Daniel and the Revelation to John, Wednesdays in Lent (March 8, 15, 22, 29, and April 5), 1:30-2:30 PM. Judaism and Christianity had an idea of the meaning of history that differed from that of other ancient cultures and religions—they believed that God was in charge of history and that history was linear: that is moving from one place forward to another in accordance with God's purposes (rather than moving in circles)—purposes that remained veiled at most times and to most people. Hence, apocalyptic literature (apocalyptical=hidden) was unique to the Jewish and Christian theological traditions. We will read carefully from the Old Testament book of Daniel and from the Revelation to John; seeking out not only the special place that each occupies in their respective canons, but also their relevance today.

Gardeners meet on Saturday, March 18 at 8:00 AM to maintain the gardens. Please join us. Many thanks!

Donors needed for Altar Flowers in Cathedral and Chapel - Please sign up today on the chart next to Stuart Hall, or for more information, contact Sandy Jackson - sditta@tulane.edu.

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 in 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.

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THE WEEK OF MARCH 12, 2017

| | <u>Sunday</u> |
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| 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 II (Sung) |
| 11:15 AM | Coffee Hour |
| 4:00 PM | Choral Evensong |
| 6:00 PM | REAL PRESENCE (Contemplative Holy Eucharist) |
| | <u>Monday</u> |
| 12:15 PM | The Holy Eucharist (Chapel) |
| 1:00 PM | Book Club (Advent House) |
| 5:00 PM | Bodytime Bootcamp |
| 5:30 PM | Yoga (Cathedral) |

TUESDAY

6:00 PM Property Committee Meeting (Westfeldt Room)

| 9:30 AM | Staff Meeting |
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| 12:15 PM | The Holy Eucharist (Chapel) |
| 5:00 PM | Bodytime Bootcamp |
| 5:30 PM | Yoga (Cathedral) |
| 6:45 PM | Seeker's Book Study (Advent House) |
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11:30 PM Contemplative Prayer & Book Study (AH)

7:30 PM A.G.O. Annual Member Recital

WEDNESDAY

| 12:15 PM | The Holy Eucharist (Chapel) |
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| 1:00 PM | Education for Ministry (EfM) (Westfeldt Room) |
| 1:30 PM | Study with Canon Lowry |
| 7:00 PM | Choir Rehearsal |

THURSDAY

| 12:00 PM | Alcoholics Anonymous (Women Only) |
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| 12:15 PM | The Holy Eucharist (Chapel) |
| 5:00 PM | Bodytime Bootcamp |

| 2:15 PM | The Holy Eucharist (Chapel) |
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| 9:30 AM | Ouiet Day (Advent House) |

Saturday

FRIDAY

| 8:00 AM | Gardening |
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| 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 |



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