

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2025

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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

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 silence cell phones. Let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Large-print Prayer Books and Activity Workbooks for kids are available at the Usher's Stand. This liturgy is being webcast on YouTube and Facebook Live. We joyfully welcome children of all ages to worship with us; there is a nursery available for infants and toddlers if you wish it. Children are encouraged to proceed to the chapel for Children's Chapel immediately following the reading of the Gospel. They will return at The Peace.

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY - Erbarm dich mein, O Herre Gott (*Have Mercy on Me, O Lord God*), BWV 721 J.S. Bach

When the bell sounds, please stand and join in singing

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #404 - We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord *Old 124th*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Prayer Book, Page 323

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

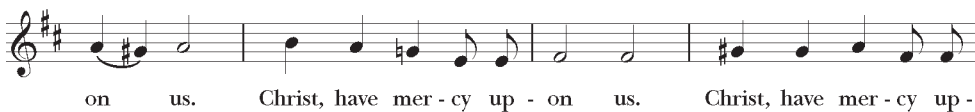
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant continues

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

LORD HAVE MERCY *Kyrie eleison*



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 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The choir sings

PSALM 63:1-8 *Deus, Deus meus*

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| 1 | O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water. | 5 | My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips, |
| 2 | Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory. | 6 | When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches. |
| 3 | For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise. | 7 | For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice. |
| 4 | So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name. | 8 | My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast. |

Setting: Ivor Algernon Atkins

THE SECOND LESSON ~ 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things

happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The choir sings the

TRACT - Psalm 42:1-7 *Quemadmodum*

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL ~ Luke 13:1-9

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them — do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.” Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Book, Page 328

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

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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

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me: Where, where is now thy God?

Words: Psalm 42

Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Please stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN #142 - Lord, who throughout these forty days.....*St. Flavian*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Eucharistic Prayer I

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SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spi - rit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them up un - to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
 Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
 - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people kneel or stand.

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM



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

To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.

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 offenses of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou on me.

Words: Psalm 25
Music: Richard Farrant (1530-1580)

Please join in singing
HYMN #152 - Kind Maker of the world, O hear *A la venue de Noël*

Please join in saying
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Prayer Book, Page 339

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

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.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #392 - Come, we that love the Lord *Vineyard Haven*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Please Join Us for Coffee Hour in Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation; all are invited and encouraged to attend. Guests are especially welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hospitality Committee - Please considerer contributing a snack of your choice for Coffee Hour every now and then. Suggestions include cookies, cheese and crackers or a small cake. Items that can be frozen are especially helpful to enable the size of the spread to match the size of the crowd.

Watch the Sunday 10:00 Eucharist webcast



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.

Welcome! *If you are visiting and seeking a connection with us* we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a Visitor Card (located in the pew rack) or point your cell phone at this QR code. *Thank you for worshiping with us.*



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Thank you for supporting the ongoing Cathedral ministries

Choral Evensong

will be offered this afternoon at 4:00 PM.

The choir will sing works of Herbert Howells, Richard Webster, Bruce Neswick, and will present the premiere of Psalm 139, composed by our own J. Calloway Cieslak.

Our guest preacher will be The Reverend Jane-Allison Wiggin,
Rector of St. Luke's Parish, New Orleans.

A reception will follow.

Sunday Morning Lenten Book Study

On Sunday Mornings during Lent, parishioner (and former Sr Warden) Jesse George will lead a study of the widely acclaimed book *The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus Christ* by Episcopal priest and scholar the Rev. Fleming Rutledge.

This class will take place in Dean's Parlor (next to the Kitchen) from 9:00AM until 9:50AM on March 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6, and 13.

Please consider joining this important conversation.

*A full description can be found in *The Canticle*.*

Sunday Morning Study of Genesis

11:30 AM

“The Book of Genesis is the first book in the Old Testament. It is an amalgam of four ancient stories written by four (or more) authors in Israel. The four authors are identified by the names they used for the God of Israel and the contents of the books they wrote: that is “J” for the sections of Genesis where God is named YHWH (or Jehovah); “E” is the source where God is named ELOHIM (the Lord); “D” is the source of the ancient laws of Israel (Deuteronomist) and “P” is for the sections of Genesis where the role of the Priest is defined. Much later in the history of Israel the four sources were edited into a single historical account of the people of Israel. The Book of Genesis is long—in most bibles it is about 100 pages in length” We will suggest that participants read about 25 pages each week and be prepared to discuss the contents of what has been read.

Lenten Dinners

Join us for the last in a series of family-friendly dinners designed to support Cathedral members on our Lenten spiritual journeys. Held from 5-7 p.m. every other Friday in Lent, drop in for a shared meal (vegetarian options will be available), conversation, and fellowship. This will be a child-friendly event with something for everyone! Mark your calendars, and be sure to RSVP to Fr. Steven Roberts or reach out with any questions: stevenroberts@cccnola.org.

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THE WEEK OF MARCH 16, 2025

SUNDAY

The Third Sunday in Lent

- 9:00 AM Lenten Book Study
- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Sung) (Cathedral)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)
- 11:30 AM Adult Theological Forum (Dean's Parlor)
- 3:00 PM Spring Within Group (Westfeldt Room)
- 4:00 PM Choral Evensong
- 6:00 PM Real Presence

MONDAY

- 9:00 AM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Dean's Parlor)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 7:00 PM Voices Of New Orleans (VONO) Rehearsal

TUESDAY

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
- 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women only)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 5:30 PM Yoga in the Cathedral
- 7:00 PM Symphony Of New Orleans (SONO) Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 4:30 PM Education for Ministry (EfM), Dean's Parlor
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

- 8:00 AM Trinity Loaves & Fishes (Kitchen)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

FRIDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

SATURDAY

- 12:00 PM New Neighbor Project (Dean's Parlor)

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