MORNING PRAYER

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT St. Paul's Episcopal Church MARCH 7, 2021 | 10:00 AM

PRELUDE KYRIE NICHOLAS ERTSGAARD

The Officiant reads a sentence of Scripture

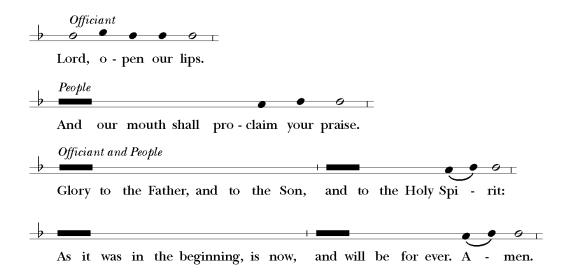
THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Please kneel as you are able.

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.

The Officiant pronounces the absolution.

THE PRECES

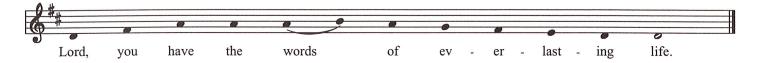


The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

Come, let us adore him.

Pass it along. God's great glory in story and song!
Tell somebody and pass it along. Tell the story of Moses; how he held up his hand.
Made the sea divide, reached the other side, walked upon the dry land.

PSALM 19:7-14 (all sing this refrain) CARL P. DAW



- 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. (**Refrain**)
- 9. The fear of the Lord is clean and endures forever; 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. (**Refrain**)
- 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. (**Refrain**)
- 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. (**Refrain**)

Glory to the Father and to the / Son, and to the / Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is / now, and will be for / ever. Amen (**Refrain**)

THE 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. 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.

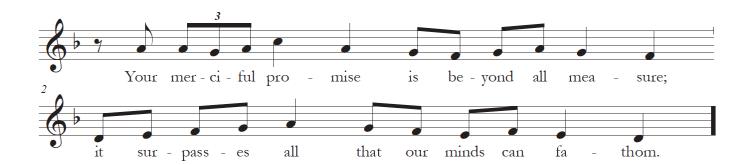
You shall not steal.

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.



- I. O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and of all their righteous offspring: you made the heavens and the earth, with all their vast array. (**Refrain**)
- 2. All things quake with fear at your presence; they tremble because of your power. But your merciful promise is beyond all measure; it surpasses all that our minds can fathom. (**Refrain**)
- 3. O Lord, you are full of compassion, long-suffering and abounding in mercy. You hold back your hand; you do not punish as we deserve. (**Refrain**)
- 4. In your great goodness, Lord, you have promised forgiveness to sinners, that they may repent of their sin and be saved. And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart, and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness. (**Refrain**)
- 5. I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, and I know my wickedness only too well. Therefore, I make this prayer to you: forgive me, Lord, forgive me. (**Refrain**)
- 6. Do not let me perish in my sin, nor condemn me to the depth of the earth. For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent, and in me you will show forth your goodness. (**Refrain**)
- 7. Unworthy as I am you will save me in accordance with your great mercy, and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life. For all the powers of heaven sing your praises and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen. (**Refrain**)

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 2:13-22

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel, as you are able.

A reading from the Gospel according to John. (No congregational response is made.)

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.

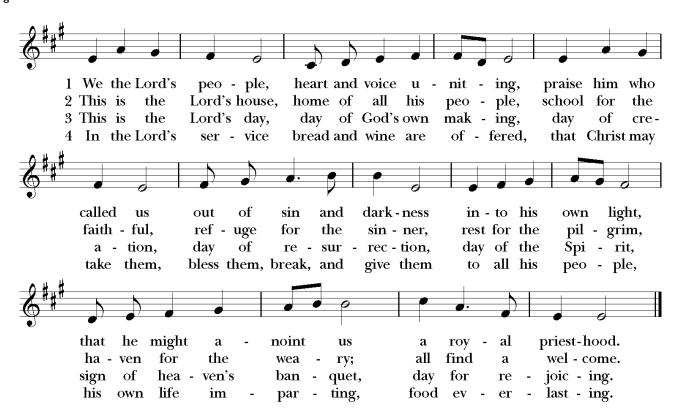
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON
A time for quiet reflection follows the sermon.

THE REV. ANNE EMRY

HYMN All sing WE THE LORD'S PEOPLE, HEART AND VOICE UNITING



THE APOSTLES' CREED

Please stand, as you are able.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

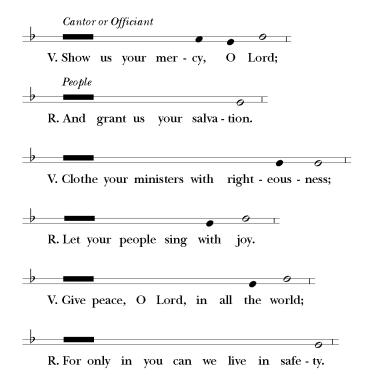
The Lord be with you.

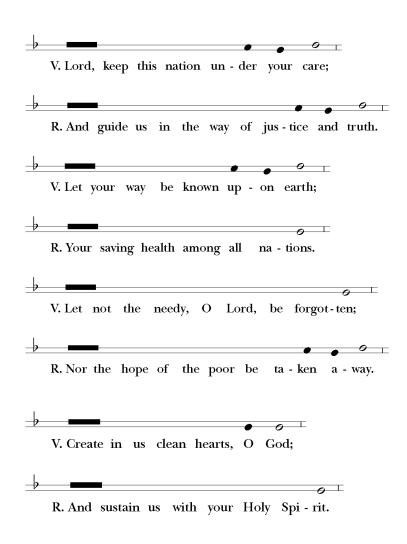
And also with you.

Let us pray.

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 SUFFRAGES





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY: 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. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR GRACE

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

A COLLECT FOR MISSION

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: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen**.

Show me thy ways, O Lord. Teach me thy paths, Lord, and I will follow. Guide me in your truth, lead me in your love, teach me, Lord, I pray. You are the God of my salvation; you are the hope of my days.

You are the king of all creation; I long to know your ways.

May your love go before me; may your spirit be my guide.

May your word stand beside me as I serve you Lord, all my life.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERCESSIONS

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord, have mercy.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Diana, our own Bishop; for Anne and Andy, our clergy; for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation, especially all those who long to worship together again in person, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those with whom we are in disagreement, and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord our God.**

The Officiant concludes with a Collect.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts, we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Bow down before the Lord.

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

THE DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude Psalm 19 Benedetto Marcello

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Officiant The Rev. Andy McQuery Preacher The Rev. Anne Emry

Lector Jinx Brandt

Cantors Lucy Lapour, Nicholas Ertsgaard

Choir Advent and Primary

Canterbury Ensemble Hanna Ertsgaard, Nicholas Ertsgaard, Madison Hall, Ramona Morris, Simon Staples

Organ Dr. Paul Klemme, Director of Music Ministries

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE CLASS: EPISCOPAL 101 CRASH COURSE

Join us live on Zoom at noon today for an informal conversation with Fr. Andy on the general subject of, "What the heck is an Episcopalian?" In prior years, we have offered a Lenten Sunday series called "Episcopal 101," but due to pandemics, power failures, and calendar shuffles, we have condensed it to two sessions for 2021. Especially geared toward newcomers, seekers, and visitors (but open to all!), this is a chance for you to ask what you've been wondering about or always wanted to know. This week we will focus on identity, structures, and beliefs; Part 2, on March 21, will be centered on liturgy and worship. The link to join the classes may be found in the Sunday Update email.

TODAY: EVENSONG CONCERT

This afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Pianist Marie-Luise Hinrichs will perform a piano transcription of Giovanni Pergolesi's "Stabat Mater", along with transcriptions of compositions by Hildegard von Bingen. Appropriate for the season of Lent, the "Stabat Mater" is a 13th-century Christian hymn to Mary, which portrays her suffering as Jesus Christ's mother during his crucifixion. Hildegard von Bingen was a German Benedictine abbess, writer, composer, philosopher, and Christian mystic during the middle ages. She is one of the best-known composers of sacred monophony, as well as the most-recorded in modern history. Ms. Hinrichs will stream her concert from Cologne Germany on St. Paul's YouTube Channel. The free concert can be found at stpaulsoregon.org.

PREPARING OUR HEARTS: RECOGNIZING WILLFUL BLINDNESS

Next Sunday, March 14, join us at noon on Zoom for our rescheduled community forum facilitated by parishioner Krista Hoffman. Utilizing a TED talk by Margaret Heffernan, we will explore the concept of "willful blindness" and how it can impact our lives and community. As we journey through Lent, this is an opportunity to examine our hearts and discern how we can grow in courage and honesty. Because these conversations depend on trust, vulnerability, and confidentiality, participants are asked to log in promptly; latecomers will not be admitted.

AUDIO PILGRIMAGE: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On behalf of the Diocese of Oregon, Trinity Cathedral is coordinating a podcast series based on the devotional liturgy of "Stations of the Cross." Each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during Lent a new episode is released, featuring scripture, prayers, music, and a reflection on each moment or event of Jesus' journey to Calvary, led by clergy from around the diocese, including Bishop Akiyama and our very own Fr. Andy. Fr. Andy's episode, Station 9, featuring music by Nicholas Ertstgaard, will be released Wednesday, March 17. The entire series can be found at trinitycathpdx.podbean.com.

SOCK COLLECTION FOR THOSE IN NEED

There is a great need for new socks for our unsheltered community members. St. Paul's is collecting socks for those in need. If you can help, please consider donating new socks. All sizes are needed. Contactless donations can be dropped off in the orange bin inside the church entryway. Thank you to all that donated this past weekend at our drive-thru event, your generosity was outstanding.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT HEALING SERVICE

Join us each Wednesday night at 6:15 on Zoom for a 30-minute, paperless service of scripture reading, a reflection on the saint of the day, Taizé chant, and intercessory prayer for healing and any other hopes, concerns, or thanksgivings you wish to bring before God. The link to join the service can be found in the weekly e-newsletter, sent on Wednesday afternoons.

WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY DINNERS

Orders are now placed through Realm, the church's new directory software. Donations are welcome to assist in covering costs (suggested: \$7.00 per person, \$15.00 per family) and can be made online or by mailing a check with "Community Dinner" in the memo to St. Paul's. Complete your order by midnight the Monday prior to the Wednesday dinner. Menus may be subject to change based on supply availability. Dinner pick-up at St. Paul's available on Wednesday between 2-3:30 pm.

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Do you follow St. Paul's on Facebook? Did you know we have a St. Paul's Community Connect page, too? This is a closed and private group only for parishioners and friends of St. Paul's. It's a place for encouragement, conversation, and support, which we can all use more of these days! If you are already a part of this group, please invite your friends. If you would like an invitation, send us a message on Facebook and we'll add you!

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