

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 3, 2024



Lawgiver by PC Hodgell

8:00 AM SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Book of Common Prayer – beginning page 67

10:00 AM THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements & Territorial Acknowledgement

We come to silence at the sound of the gong.

To request specific prayers during the service, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the prayer basket in the narthex.

Opening Hymn: CP#524 “O Christ, the Great Foundation”

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
And also with you.

AN ACT OF PENITENCE

Kyrie Eleison (CP#705)

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour.
A moment of silence

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 neighbours 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.**

Presider Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from
all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and
keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison (CP#705)

Collect of the Day

Presider God of the covenant,
**give us zeal to discern the foolishness and the wisdom of this present age,
so that we may proclaim Christ crucified; to whom with you and the Holy
Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.** *FWM Proposed Prayers
alt.*

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17

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 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. Honour 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 neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

Reader The heavens declare the glory of God, *

All **and the firmament shows the handiwork of the Lord.**

One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, ***and their voices are not heard,**
their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep has God 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.

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.

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, ***more than much fine gold,**
sweeter far than honey, * **than honey in the comb.**

By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often they offend? * **Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

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.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations 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 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.

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Gradual Hymn: CP#476 "God, You Have Caused to Be Written"

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 2:13-22

Reader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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 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.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.
All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

*...Behold, behold I make all things new,
Beginning with you and starting from today.
Behold, behold I make all things new,
My promise is true, for I am Christ the way.*

Homily

Choir Anthem: "Thy Word"

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

Presider Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: CP#531 "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

WE SHARE THE SACRED MEAL

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God our provider,

All **you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer – BAS #2 (p 196)

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.

He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature.

He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,

to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might x2**
CP#735 **heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**
 Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest

Presider Holy and gracious God, accept our praise,
 through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
 who on the night he was handed over
 to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks,
 saying, "Take, and eat:
 this is my body which is broken for you."
 In the same way he took the cup,
 saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
 When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honor are yours, Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

Our Fa-ther, in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be yourname, your king-dom come, your will be done on earth as in
9 hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For- give - us our sins as we for-give those who sin a -gainst us. —
17 — Save us from the time of trial and de - li - ver us from e - vil, For the
22 king - dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. —

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider We break this bread,

All **communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Presider Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

All **If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome to join in the sacred feast of Holy Communion. Please come forward to receive the sacrament in front of the altar. You may also indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. All are invited to draw near the table of the Lord.

Communion Music: CP #747 "Jesus, Lamb of God"
"Bread of Life and Cup of Hope"
CP#360 "Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Prayer after Communion

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.

All **And your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

May we, who share his body, live his risen life;

we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;

we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and

all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise
your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Blessing

Presider Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: CP#602 "Lift High the Cross"

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**



	8am	10am
Presider	The Rev. Canon Peter Parker	The Rev. Christine Conkin
Preacher	The Rev. Canon Peter Parker	The Rev. Canon Peter Parker
Music Director		Marlon Narciso
First Reading	Marilyn Pattison	Jennifer Handley
Psalm	Ted Sheldon	Ian Grant
Second Reading	Helen Lindholm	Carmen Stansberry
Prayers	Linda Sproule-Jones	Jayne Postuk
Administrants	Leslie Glazier	David Stuart, Jennifer Handley
Liturgical Assistant	Gary Fisher	Bruce Winter
Greeters	Jennifer Bradbury	Angela Buckingham, Sandra Moore
Tech Assistant		Steve Koning
Counter		Darlene Fisher
Supervisor		Cedric Trueman
Flowers	Margaret Hood	Sandra Moore
Chancel Guild	Darlene Fisher	Margaret Smart
Altar Bread	Joan Collis	Kathleen von Kanel

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