



Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH

March 20, 2022



The Service of the Word

Opening Voluntary: *Sam Klauss (piano)*

The Confession *Altogether*

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.*

Opening Hymn 388: *(v. 1&3) "O Worship the King"*

*O worship the King all glorious above,
And gratefully sing his power and his love:
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.*

*The earth, with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your power has founded of old;
Hath established it fast, by a changeless decree,
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.*

Celebrant Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People ***His mercy endures forever.***

The Collect of the Day - *prayed by the Celebrant*

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

The Kyrie S96:

*Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, have mercy.*

The First Reading: *Exodus 3:1-13*

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."

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

Psalm: 63:1-8 (read responsively by whole verse)

- 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.
- 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,
that I might behold your power and your glory.
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself;
my lips shall give you praise.
- 4 So will I bless you as long as I live
and lift up my hands in your Name.

5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

6 When I remember you upon my bed,
and meditate on you in the night watches.

7 For you have been my helper,
and under the shadow of your wings I will
rejoice.

8 My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast.

Sequence Hymn: “The Lord is My Song”

*O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer.
When I call answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord hear my prayer.
Come and listen to me.*

*The Lord is my song,
The Lord is my praise
All my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song,
The Lord is my praise:
God, the well-spring of life.*

The Gospel Reading: *Luke 13:1-9*

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

People ***Glory to you Lord Christ.***

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.'"

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you Lord Christ.***

Sermon "Pain, Suffering, Sin, Freedom"
The Rev. Rob Dixon

The Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

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*

(*“catholic” means universal)

Prayers of the People

Have mercy on us, O God, and, in your great
compassion, hear our prayers.

We pray for the whole church, all leaders and
ministers, and all of God’s people. Wash us through
and through, *And cleanse us of our sin.*

In this season of Lent, we pray that we all might be
given the grace and strength to repent, be transformed,
and grow closer to you, Lord Christ. Create in us clean
hearts, *And renew a right spirit within us.*

We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth,
and for all who govern and judge. Guide them to seek
the common good and make just decisions, according
to your will. Purge us from our sin, *And we shall be
pure.*

We pray for those who hunger or thirst, for those who
cry out for justice or live under the threat of terror, and
for those who are without a place to lay their head.
Make them hear of your joy and gladness, *That those
who are broken may rejoice.*

We pray for those who are ill, in pain, under stress, and
who are lonely. We pray for all who are on our
church’s prayer list – *silence*. Give them the joy of your
saving help, *And sustain them with your bountiful
Spirit.*

We pray for those who have died - *Silence* - and for all
who have entered into the land of your abiding peace.
We commend them to your loving presence, *And ask
you to comfort all who mourn.*

The Peace: Welcome & Announcements



The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 367 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. All baptized Christians are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited come forward, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. For bread only, no wine, put one arm across your chest. Gluten Free available

Offertory: “He Looked Beyond My Fault”

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father.

People **We remember his death.
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

Communion Hymn: “In the Morning When I Rise”

*In the morning, when I rise. In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise, give me Jesus*

Refrain:

*Give me Jesus. Give me Jesus
You can have all this world, but give me Jesus*

And when I am alone...

In the evening when I pray...

Communion Hymn: “How Deep the Father’s Love”

*How deep the Father’s love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One.
Bring many sons to glory.*

*Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.*

*I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.*

Communion Hymn 324: “Let All Mortal Flesh”

Post Communion Prayer (p. 366 BCP)

*Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
And for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our
Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 470: “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

*There’s a wideness in God’s mercy
Like the wideness of the sea;
There’s a kindness in his justice,
Which is more than liberty.
There is welcome for the sinner,
And more graces for the good;
There is mercy with the Savior;
There is healing in his blood.*

*There is no place where earth’s sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth’s failings
Have such kindly judgement given.
There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.*

Flower Dedications

Point to Ponder

Ever Wonder Why the Gospel Book is Raised and Carried into the Center of the Congregation?

The Gospel Book is raised as a sign of victory over evil and symbolically shows supremacy of the Word over our lives. It is carried into the center of the congregation to symbolize how the Word came to the people and, in our modern times, how Jesus comes to us.

Prayer List

*Requested Prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks.
Please let us know if you need to be on longer.*

Requested Prayer

Axel, Barbara C., Bob D, Bob W., Bobby, Bonnie, Brenda B., Brenna, Cindy, Dan, David C., David I., David M., Debra, Don D., Don I., Donnie, Ede, Fr. Chris, Gordon, Hank, Ina, Jackie, Jane, John, Joseph, Joyce, Kathy B., Kathy M., Karen, Kevin, Laura G, Laura W., Linda, Mabel, Marilyn, Miya May, Nancy, Pamela, Patrick , Ralph, Ron H., Rosemary, Sally, Scott, Sherry Jo, Stephen, Sylvia, Theresa, Tom, Tony, Trinity, Wade, William B., The Austin Family, The Burns Family, The Coleman Family, The Guillaume Family, The Hibschan Family, The Lindsey Family, The Newbill Family, & The Shaffer Family

Military

Adam Paris, Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Benjamin Merriweather, Bruce Gough, Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck,

Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, Jeremy Rice, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, Terry W. Triplett, Jr., T. J. Bossa, Tyler Post, William Verwoerd

Prayers for Peace

In Ukraine

Rest of the Soul

Bet Lindsey
Judy Burns
Demetrius Guillaume
All Who Have Died from Covid-19

Prayers for Discernment

Leanne Whalen

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