



Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Second Sunday in Lent
February 25, 2024

The Service of the Word

Opening Hymn: “Lead Me, Guide Me” (*see insert*)

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

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.*

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.

Song of Praise: “Take, O Take Me As I Am”

Take, O Take me as I am;
sum-mon out what I shall be; set Your seal up-on my
heart and live in me.

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

The First Reading: *Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16*

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful;

and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

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

Psalm: 22:22-30 (read responsively by whole verse)

- 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him;
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them;
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him:
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD;
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.

Sequence Hymn 209: “We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight”

The Gospel Reading: *Mark 8:31-38*

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

People **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Sermon: (Part 2) The Prophets: *True and False Religion.*
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. Amen*

The Peace: Welcome & Announcements

**For Giving
Electronically**

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camera at this
Image.

Thank You!





The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 369 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. *All seeking God through Jesus 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 439: “What Wondrous Love Is This”

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 S-129

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.

The Lord’s Prayer (p. 336 BCP)

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.

First Communion Hymn: “Reckless Love” *(see insert)*

Second Communion Hymn: “We Exalt Your Name”
(see insert)

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 707: “Take My Life and Let It Be”

Serving Today

8:00am

DOD:

Ambassadors: Mary Shontz

Chalice Bearers: Kathy Bleeker

Readers: DeAnne Amacker, Isabelle Peterson

Ushers Ed Hume, Paula Kemmeling

10:30am

DOD:

Acolytes: Ethan Winn, Stella Dixon,
Ileya Sobodash

Ambassadors; Clay Coleman

Chalice Bearers: Janelle Berger, Eden Ridgeway

Readers: Sierra Dixon, Madeleine Hutchison

Your Sermon Notes

Prayer List

Requested Prayer

Angel, Anne M., Arlie, Art H., Audrey, Barbara S., Becky H., Brandon, Brenna, Butch, Carlos, Chloe, Cindy B., Connie, Corey, Crystal, Curt, Daniel, David P., Diane P., Duane, Elaine G, Elaine S., Emily C., Erica, Evelyn, Fay, Francis, Gary, Gretchen, Herman, Ivy, Jack, Jan, Jerry, Jimmy M., Jim W., Joe., John H., Sr., Jonathan U., Joyce Ba., Judy, Karen, Karla, Kathy B., Kathy M., Katie, Keith, Kelli, Kelly, Kenneth, Kenny, Linda, Louise, Mabel, Manuel L., Manuel S., Marguerite, Marilyn, Mark, Mary, Martha, Melissa, Michelle, Nancy S., Pamela, Phyllis, Rachel H., Ralph, Richard, Ron, Sarah, Seth, Sheri L., Sherry Jo, Stephanie, Susan, The Rev. Trisha Spencer, The Zerber Family, Thomas S., Tom L., Victor, Virginia, Wade, William B., William Z.

Military

Adam Paris, Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Anthony Robbins, 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, James Madden, Jeremy Rice, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Landen Haskins, Laz Bailiff, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, Tyler Post

Repose of the Soul

John Michael Guidry (Friend of Warren Post)
Ann Jewett (Beloved Longtime Church Member)
Sarah Butterbaugh (Godmother of Erica Dake)
Rev. David Savage, Sr. (Father of Della Maddox)

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