



Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 20, 2022

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Morning Prayer Rite 1
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THE ENTRANCE RITE

The Passing of the Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Sentence of Scripture (Lent)

BCP 38

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son." *Luke 15:18, 19*

Confession of Sin

BCP 41

Celebrant:

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All:

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost
sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires
of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to
have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not
to have done.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and
sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Celebrant:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution
and remission of all our sins, true repentance,
amendment of life, and the grace and consolation
of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

INVITATORY AND PSALTER BCP 42

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: And our mouth shall show forth thy
praise.

Officiant and People

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.

Antiphon (In Lent...)

BCP 43

Officiant: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy

People: *O come, let us adore him.*

Venite

BCP 44

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; *

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our
salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the corners of the earth, *

and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it, *

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God, *

and we are the people of his pasture

and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; *

let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, *

and with righteousness to judge the world

and the peoples with his truth.

Antiphon (In Lent...)

BCP 43

Officiant: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy

People: *O come, let us adore him.*

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

BCP 670

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.

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.

A reading from 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."

Officiant: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God

A Song of Penitence

BCP 90

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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
Do not let me perish in my sin, *
nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent, *
and in me you will show forth your goodness.
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.

A reading from Paul's first letter to the 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.

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Song of Simeon BCP 51

Nunc dimittis Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, *
according to thy word;

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, *

which thou hast prepared before the face of all
people,

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, *

and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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.

The Gospel Lesson Luke 13:1-9

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.'"

Officiant: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God

Sermon Todd Johnson, Lay Worship Leader

The Apostles' Creed BCP 53
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father
almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and
the dead.

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

THE PRAYERS BCP 54
Officiant: The Lord be with you.
All: And with thy spirit.

The Lord's Prayer BCP 54
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.

Suffrage A BCP 55

- V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
R. And grant us thy salvation.
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in thee can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;
R. Thy saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day (Third Sunday Lent) BCP 167
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 Sundays BCP 56
O God, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent

in thy favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace BCP 56

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Guidance BCP 56

O heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray thee so to guide and govern us by thy Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget thee, but may remember that we are ever walking in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission BCP 57-58

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of thy faithful people is governed and sanctified:
Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all members of thy holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The General Thanksgiving

BCP 58

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St Chrysostom BCP 59

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time
with one accord to make our common supplication
unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-
beloved Son that when two or three are gathered
together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of
them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions
of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in

this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to
come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Dismissal BCP 59-60

ASSISTING with today's service:
Lector: Joyce Holden

UPCOMING SERVICES:

3/27 Morning Prayer Rite II, Joyce Holden
4/3
4/10 Palm Sunday, The Rev. Dan Buchin
4/17 Easter Sunday, The Rev. Dan Buchin

UPCOMING EVENTS:

3/21 Ret Bishop Gibb's birthday
3/25 Natalie Linden's birthday

SAINTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

3/20 Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687
3/21 Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 1711
3/22 James De Koven, Priest, 1879
3/23 Gregory the Illuminator, Bishop & Missionary of
Armenia, c. 332
3/25 The Annunciation of Our Lord Jesus Christ to the
Blessed Virgin Mary

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Bob; Bobbie; Sue; Ed & Audrey; Joyce; Bob & Donna; Jamie & Marvin; Jill; Julie; John; Nancy; Harriet; John; Margaret; Arnold; Paul Barth; Linda; Carrie; Lily & Violet; Al; Vickie; Lonnie; Corky; Sarah; Todd; Lonnie; JoAnn; Ted & Julie; Sherri; Helen

Trinity Church, Sal Salcedo, DR; Church of the Pentecost, Bonao, DR

PRAYERS FOR those who are suffering the effects of the pandemic & the 967,000+ who've lost their lives.

PRAYERS FOR those who have suffered loss due to gun violence, & those who live these threats every day.

PRAYERS FOR the unemployed & homeless

IN HARM'S WAY our service men & women

PRAYERS FOR the people of Ukraine

PRAYERS FOR the people of Japan

CYCLE OF PRAYER: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop; Bonnie Perry, our Bishop; Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Presiding Bishop; Donald P Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A Satterlee, ELCA Bishop, NW Lower Michigan Synod; our Diocesan retired community household; Our Diocesan household; Canterbury House/UofM, Ann Arbor;

We welcome you to Christ Church and invite you to join us for refreshments in the parish hall immediately following the service!

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