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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
February 21, 2021 ~ 10:30 am



WELCOME!

Greetings! We are delighted that you have joined us for our worship service, and so very thankful to be together in-person or virtually! Whether you are a member, a frequent visitor, or are visiting St. Peter's for the first time, we feel blessed by your presence.

We invite your questions regarding our ministries and life in the Episcopal Church. Please know that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion during our worship. Father Jim will guide us through Communion.

Thank you for helping us help you stay safe by following the guidelines on the back of this bulletin.

We are so glad you could be with us today and hope you will join us again.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
February 21, 2021 ~ 9:00 am

All stand as are able.

Processional: Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days (Hymn # 142)



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray, teach
2. As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend and didst the vic - tory win, O
3. As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord, to
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide, yea,
5. A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past, an



1. us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
2. give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con-quer sin.
3. die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
4. ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
5. Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

(BCP Page 355)

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People *His mercy endures for ever.*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*





(Hymn: S-88)

Choir *All*

Ky - ri - e - e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e - e -

Choir

- le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

All *Choir*

Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e - e -

All

- le - i - son. Ky - ri - e - e - le - i - son.

Collect of the Day: First Sunday in Lent

(BCP Page #218)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*



THE LESSONS *You may be seated.*

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM: 25:1-9

(BCP Pages 614-615)

Read alternately by whole verse.

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 *Let none who look to you be put to shame;
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.*

3 Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.

4 *Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.*

5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD;
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right
and teaches his way to the lowly.

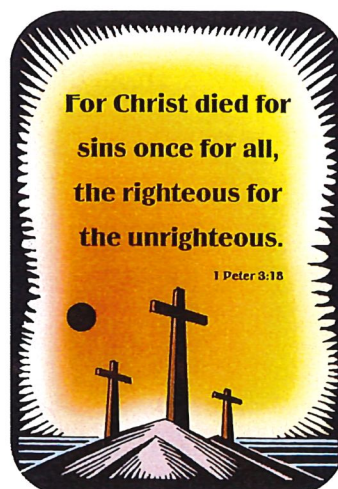
9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

THE SECOND READING: I Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*



GOSPEL HYMN: Lead Us, Heavenly Father

(Hymn #559)



1. Lead us, heaven - ly Fa - ther, lead us o'er the world's tem - pes - tuous sea;
2. Sa - vior, breathe for - give - ness o'er us; all our weak - ness thou dost know;
3. Spi - rit of our God, de - scend - ing, fill our heart with heaven - ly joy;



1. guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee,
2. thou didst tread this earth be - fore us; thou didst feel its keen - est woe;
3. love with ev - ery pas - sion blend - ing plea - sure that can nev - er cloy;



1. yet pos - ses - sing ev - ery bless - ing, if you God our Fa - ther be.
2. yet un - fear - ing, per - se - ver - ing, to thy pas - sion thou didst go.
3. thus pro - vid - ed, par - doned, guid - ed, noth - ing can our peace des - troy.

The Gospel Reading: Mark 1:9-15

All Standing as are able.

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Homily

The Rev. James Friedel

All standing as are able.



(BCP Page 358)

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - Form I

(BCP Page 383-385)

The Leader and People pray responsively

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the
Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God,
and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church
of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray
to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in
authority, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

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Prayers of the People, *Continued*

For this city of Rockport-Fulton and for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, in the air or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those listed on our parish prayer list, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us,
O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of Peter and all the saints,
let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life,
to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

*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.*

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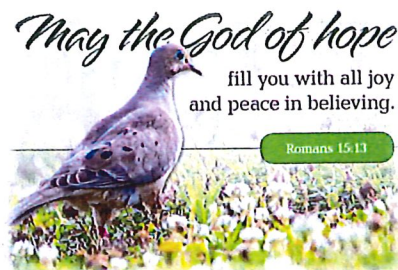
The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*



THE HOLY COMMUNION

Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A

(BCP Pages 361-363)

The people remain standing.

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 our God.

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

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
power and might, hea - ven and earth are full,
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The congregation may kneel or sit as the prayer continues.
The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.



The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER (C-114)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

(BCP Page 364)

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast.***

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

As you remain seated please listen for instructions for receiving communion.

The Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

(BCP Page 365)

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

*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.*



Birthday and Anniversary Blessing

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Recessional: Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

Hymn #343



1. Shep-herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen pil - grim flock
2. We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy word of grace,
3. Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not then de - part;
4. Lord, sup with us in love di - vine, thy Bo - dy and thy Blood,



1. with man - na in the wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
2. in strength of which we trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
3. Sa - vior, a - bide with us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
4. that liv - ing bread, that heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

The Dismissal

Celebrant says

Go out into the world in peace, have courage, hold on to what is good,
return no one evil for evil, strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak,
help the suffering, honor everyone, love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All Thanks be to God.

We are grateful to those participating in our worship this morning:

Lay Readers: Butch Adams and Myra Kline

Greeters: John Kaduscwicz and Steve Williams

Director of Music Ministries: Meredith Carter

Musical Assistance: Alan Berkebile

Altar Guild: Sherri Collins



Happy Birthday to
 Murray Leeper on the 21st; Bill Adams
 on the 23rd; Mary Eby & Bill Kleinke on
 the 24th; Donna Garcia & Julianna
 Ward on the 25th; Charles Brett on the
 26th; and Edith Ankele on the 27th.
 Happy Anniversary to
 Mary & Roger Sherman on the 23rd.



Carrie Arrington,
 Pinky Gonzalez,
 John Warren and
 Lee Williams have joined
 our Vestry Team that
 includes members:
 Steve Clarkson and
 Elise Olexa.
 This group will provide
 leadership for our church
 in 2021.
THANK YOU!



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 Please put in the
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 THANK YOU



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IMPORTANT SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELP US HELP YOU STAY SAFE! PLEASE...

- *Wear your mask.
We have some available if needed.
- *We discourage you from engaging in physical contact such as shaking hands, hugging, fist bumping, high fiving, etc.
- *Thank you for practicing social distancing by standing/sitting 6 feet apart (unless you are in family units).
- *Use hand sanitizer!

**UNTIL WE CAN HUG AGAIN, PLEASE BE SAFE!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!**



Living Well Through Lent Listening With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind

This study provides a foundation for seeking a deeper experience of Lent, an experience that will help prepare us for the true meaning of Easter.

All are welcome to attend:
Mondays at 5:30 pm via ZOOM
OR

Thursdays at 10:00 am via ZOOM and/or in person (weather permitting, of course)
All safety guidelines will be followed.

You may RSVP to the Church Office. Send us your email address and we will send you all information needed for log in.