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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
February 28, 2021 ~ 9:00 am



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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.

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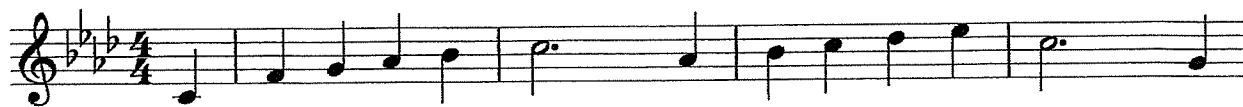
We are so glad you could be with us today and hope you will join us again.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II
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All stand as are able.

Processional: The God of Abraham Praise (vs 1-3)

(Hymn # 401)



1. The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove; An-
2. He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend; we
3. There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right-eous - ness, tri-



- 1. cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love; the
2. shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend: we
3. um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace; on



1. Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed: we
2. shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore, and
3. Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains, and,



1. bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.
2. sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.
3. glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.

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

Choir - le - i - son. *All* Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri-

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

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

Collect of the Day: Second Sunday in Lent

(BCP Page #218)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*



THE LESSONS *You may be seated.*

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

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."

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM: 22:22-30

(BCP Pages 611-612)

Read alternately 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.

THE SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.

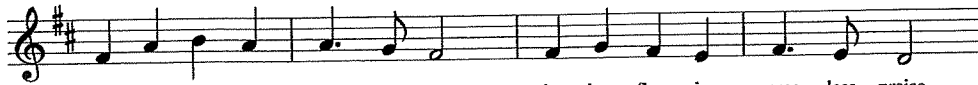
People *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL HYMN: Take My Life

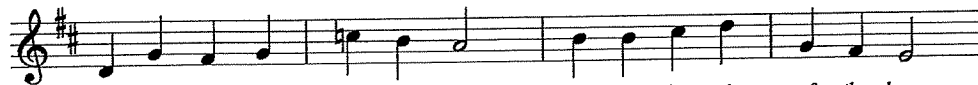
(Hymn #707)



1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2. Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;



1. take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.
2. take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



1. Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
2. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.



1. take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.
2. Take my-self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

The Gospel Reading: Mark 8:31-38

All Standing as are able.

Officiant 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."

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

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*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.*

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.

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

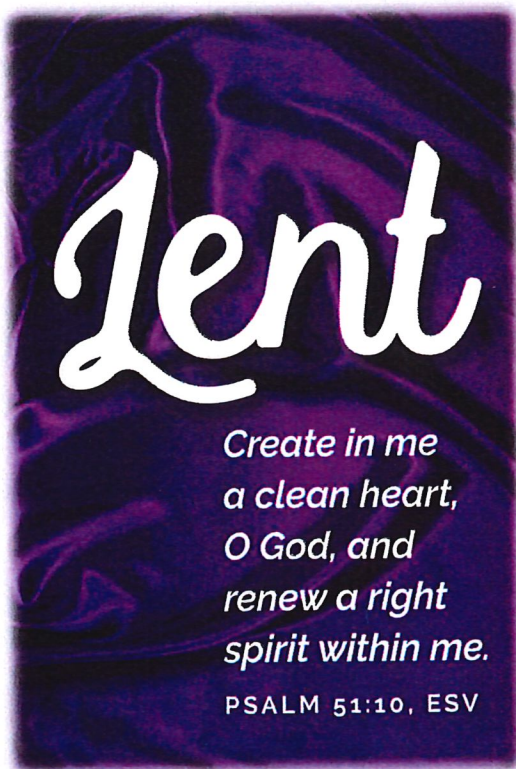
The Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

(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

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord, *Amen.*

Recessional: You Are My All in All



1. You are my strength when I am weak. You are the treas - ure that I
2. Tak - ing my sin, my cross, my shame, ris - ing a - gain I bless your



1. seek. You are my All in All. Seek - ing you as a pre - cious
2. Name. You are my All in All. When I fall down you pick me



1. jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my All in All.
2. up. When I am dry you fill my cup. You are my All in All.

Chorus



Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your Name.



Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your Name.

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: Aimee Kaduscwicz and Sherri Collins

Greeters: Barbara Appling and Tony Farmer

Director of Music Ministries: Meredith Carter

Musical Assistance: Alan Berkebile

Altar Guild: Sherri Collins



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THANK YOU

Happy Birthday to
Will Douglas on February 28th;
Viola Rios & Diann Wylie on the 2nd;
Steve Long & Justin Holt on March 3rd
and Alan Berkebile on March 4th.

Happy Anniversary to
Debra & Doug Smith on March 4th.



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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 in the Parish Hall at St. Peter's.

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.