

# ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT, Rite II  
March 20, 2022 ~ 10:00 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.

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

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II  
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT  
March 20, 2022 ~ 10:00 am

All stand as are able.

Processional: Rock Of Ages

(Hymn # 685)



1. Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in  
2. Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan-guor  
3. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in



1. thee; let the wa - ter and the blood from thy  
2. know, all for sin - could not a - tone: thou must  
3. death, when I rise to worlds un - known and be-



1. wound - ed side that flowed, be of sin the dou - ble  
2. save, and thou a - lone; in my hand no price I  
- 3. hold thee on thy throne, Rock of a - ges, cleft for



1. cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.  
2. bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.  
3. me, let me hide my - self in thee.

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

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

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

**Collect of the Day: Third Sunday in Lent**

(BCP Page #218)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

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.*

*You may be seated for the lessons and the Psalm.*

## THE LESSONS

### THE FIRST LESSON

#### A reading from the book of 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."

*Celebrant*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*          *Thanks be to God.*



**PSALM: 63:1-8**

(BCP Pages 670-671 )

*We will read alternately by whole verse.*

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.

*Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,  
that I might behold your power and your glory.*

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself;  
my lips shall give you praise.

*So will I bless you as long as I live  
and lift up my hands in your Name.*

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

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

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

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

**THE SECOND LESSON**

**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.

*Celebrant*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*          *Thanks be to God.*

**THE GOSPEL**     *Please stand as are able.*

**GOSPEL HYMN: What Wondrous Love Is This**

*(Hymn #439)*



1. What        won - drous love is        this,        O my soul,        O my soul!        What  
2. To         God and to the Lamb,        I will sing,        I will sing,        to  
3. And        when from death I'm        free,        I'll sing on,        I'll sing on,        and



1. won-drous love is        this,        O my soul!        What        won-drous love is        this        that  
2. God and to the Lamb,        I will sing.        To        God and to the Lamb        who  
3. when from death I'm        free,        I'll sing on.        And        when from death I'm        free        I'll



1. caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my soul, for my  
2. is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will  
3. sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing



1. soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.  
2. sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.  
3. on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

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

*All Standing as are able.*

*Officiant* 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.'"

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*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 all of these, 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.*

For all of these, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord have mercy.*

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 even through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirmed, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, For all of these, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

## **Prayers of the People,** *Continued*

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, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

We give you thanks most Merciful God for all the blessings of this life.

Let us pray to the Lord.

*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.*

*Silence.*

## **The Collect at the Prayers**

*(BCP Pages 394-395)*

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Confession of Sin

(BCP Page 360)

*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.*

*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.*

## Offertory Sentence

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
~Ephesians 5:2



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*You may be seated as the Altar is prepared for Holy Communion.*

### Offertory Anthem ~ Go Down, Moses

*(Traditional)*

Doxology *(Please stand as are able.)*

### Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A

*(BCP Pages 361-363)*

*The people remain standing as are able.*

*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:

*Celebrant and People*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*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:

### Memorial Acclamation (Mass for the King of Glory)

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en.

Christ will come a - gain.



*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.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

Hymn ~ Fear Not, Rejoice and Be Glad

*(See Insert)*

Hymn ~ Bless the Holy Name of Jesus

*(See Insert)*

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*

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



## Recessional: If Thou But Trust In God To Guide Thee

(Hymn #635)



1. If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through  
2. Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv-ing; so do thine own part



1. all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,  
2. faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv-ing;



1. and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un-  
2. thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for-



- 1. chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.  
- 2. sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

## 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:**

8:00 am ~ JD Debler

10:00 am ~ Vallerie Farmer and Cecelia Shannon

### **Greeters/Ushers:**

8:00 am ~ Mike Patton

10:00 am ~ Barbara Appling and Tony Farmer

**Vestry Person of the Day** ~ Jennie Taylor

**Director of Music Ministries:** Meredith Carter

**Musical Assistance:** Alan Berkebile

**Altar Guild:** Audre Debler and Vallerie Farmer

### **Hospitality Team:**

8:00 am ~ Elza LeBrun

10:00 am ~ Julie Pina and Norma & Lee Williams

## Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 20th

HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite I, 8:00am, Rite II, 10:00am

Monday, March 21st

\* Castaways Pricing ~ 12:30pm

\* Evening Compline & Prayers ~ 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 22nd

\* Castaways Cashier Day ~ 2 hour shifts from 9:00am - 3:00pm

\* Community Table Coordinators' Meeting ~ 6:00pm First Presbyterian

\* Lenten Study ~ 6:00pm at St. Peter's or by ZOOM

Wednesday, March 23rd

\* Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayers Service, 6:00pm at St. Peter's

Friday, March 25th

\* Castaways Cashier Day ~ 2 hour shifts from 9:00am - 3:00pm

welcome  
to our church family



Altar Flowers

There is a sign-up for Altar Flowers on the table in front of the Nursery. After Lent, flowers can be ordered and placed at the Altar each Sunday in honor or in memory of a loved one. Flowers will not be placed at the Altar again until May 1st. Cost is \$50



If you are a Vet, please wear any shirt/hat etc that you may have to signify your veteran status to church on this day. We will love the chance to recognize you and thank you for your service. Please invite your friends who are Veterans to attend the service and reception. THIS IS A COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENT! ALL ARE INVITED!

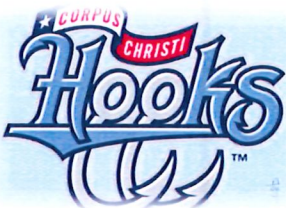
### Living Well Through Lent Listening With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind

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:**

Continuing Tuesday, March 22nd, at 6:00 pm in-person at St. Peter's or via ZOOM.

**If you miss a class or are starting late, it will not matter a bit. Please let us know your interest so that we can make sure you get all information needed for log in.**



Join a group from St. Peter's at a Corpus Christi Hooks game on Sunday, April 10th. First pitch is at 1:00 pm. Seats are \$13 apiece and are in the shade! We can car pool or meet at the field! And it's dollar dog day! Sign up is on the table by the Nursery!

#### **Happy Birthday to**

John Warren & Julie Cloudt on the 20th; Peggy Bringle, Seth Gambill & Bill Silva on the 21st; Frances Schmidt & Lynne Bergman on the 23rd; and Dan Shelton & Julie Pina on the 26th.

#### **Happy Anniversary to**

Susan & Tommy Allen on the 23rd and Barbara & Dan Shelton on the 26th.