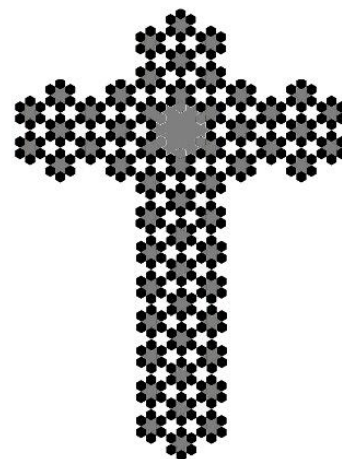


The Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2021

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion



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WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

During this time of social distancing: Please sit in one of the spaces in a pew marked with a piece of white masking tape. People in the same household may sit together, but everyone else should sit 6 feet apart.

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

Hymnals, Prayer Books and Bibles are in a bookcase in the back of the church. If you would like to use one, please take one and return it in the box after the service.

Humming or simply listening to hymns is appropriate.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Symbols in the Bulletin: **P** Priest **D** Deacon **L** Leader **C** Congregation **A** Everyone

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

A gentle reminder: please silence your mobile phone before the service.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Prière

C. Saint -Saëns
Isabelle Schueler, cellist

[During the Prelude, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please be seated.]

MISSION MOMENT

ACCLAMATION

[Please stand.]

- P** Bless the Lord who forgives us all our sins.
C His mercy endures forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

- A** 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

H. 441 vs 1, 3

*In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.*

*When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming adds new luster to the day.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

- P** Let us pray... . 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.

- C** Amen.

WORD OF GOD

The Readings: Exodus 20:1-17, Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, John 2:13-22

[Please be seated.]

The First Reading

📖 *The First Reading is taken from Exodus, chapter 20...*

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

📖 The Word of the Lord

🙏 **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

[Tune: *O For a Thousand Tongues*]

H. 493 vs 5-8

***God's law is perfect, giving life, Reviving weary souls;
The testimonies of our God Are true for all to hold.***

***The statutes of the Lord are just And give the heart delight;
The precepts God provides are clear And give the eyes new sight.***

***The fear of God is always clean, Enduring as the sun;
The judgments of the Lord are true And righteous, every one.***

***And even more to be desired Than gold, the finest gold,
Far sweeter than the honeycomb, The words God spoke of old.***

The Second Reading

℣ *The Second Reading is taken from 1 Corinthians, chapter 1...*

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

ACCLAMATION

Open Your Ears

[Please stand.]

***Open your ears, O faithful people, open your ears and hear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you. Refrain***

Refrain:

***God has spoken to his people, bless his holy Name!
And his words are words of wisdom, burning like a flame.***

***They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears, then let them hear.
They who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word. Refrain***

The Gospel

📖 The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

👉 **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

📖 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

👉 **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

Michael Durning

[Please be seated.]

NICENE CREED

[Please stand.]

👉 **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

[Please stand, kneel, or sit, as you prefer.]

- ☐ Remembering that it is no longer we who live but Christ who lives in us, let us pray for the Church and for the world.
- ☐ We pray for all who call you Lord. Enliven our common life, that together we may worship you joyfully, give our hearts wholly to you in prayer, and gently commend to others the faith that is in us. We pray for all who are in need and who suffer [*especially, read names from notebook*]
- ☑ **Lord Christ, live in us so that we are courageous agents of justice and compassion, and share our resources generously.**
- ☐ We pray for the leaders around the world. Help them to respect all by considering others as equal to themselves, by thinking charitably towards all neighbors near and far, and by seeking to understand and appreciate those who differ from them.
- ☑ **Lord Christ, live in us so that we love and serve others as you love and serve us.**
- ☐ We pray for all who are responsible for the mission and ministry of the church, lay and ordained.
- ☑ **Lord Christ, live in us so that we are humble, patient and act with integrity, using the values and promises of the Reign of God as the foundation of every decision, action or abstention.**
- ☐ We pray for a sense of awe for all you have created and entrusted to us, including our own bodies, your creation, and the lives of others. We give thanks for the flowers given today to the Glory of God and in Glorious Celebration of Joe Hall's 97th birthday, and for the birthdays this week, Joe Hall, Marc Jacobson, Maryellen Tilly, and for those for the anniversaries this week, Tony & Nancy Hill. You open your hand and fill the earth with good things.
- ☑ **Lord Christ, live in us so that we cherish the gifts you have given us, conserving and healing your creation for the sake of those who come after us.**
- ☐ We pray for those whose life on this earth has ended, [*especially, read names from notebook.*] Let light perpetual shine upon them.
- ☑ **Lord Christ, live in us so that we follow the good examples of your saints, who teach us to enjoy worldly goods and comforts in moderation, and to be honest in our daily life and work.**
- ☐ Let your grace restore us, good Lord, and let your Spirit inspire us.
- ☑ **Lord Christ, live in us and accomplish in us the work of your salvation, that we may show forth your glory in the world. Amen.**

COMMISSION VESTRY, ENDOWMENT FUND BOARD, AND CONVENTION DELEGATES

THE GREETING OF PEACE

[Please stand. During this time of social distancing, a wave or bow, accompanied by a smile and “the Peace of the Lord be with you,” will do nicely.]

P The peace of the Lord be always with you.

C **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

D Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

OFFERTORY

All Who Love and Serve Your City

Southern Harmony

Julian Guini, soloist

Please be seated. The offering plates are on stands in the front and the back of the church. If you wish, you may place an offering there.]

PRESENTATION

[Please stand]

D We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God’s world.

PRESENTATION HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

H. 474 vs 4

***Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.***

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P 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:

A *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.*

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

P 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."

P 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:

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P 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.

P 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.

A **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

A **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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- P** This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.
G **Whoever eats this bread has Eternal Life.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus, Lamb of God

S. 164

***Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins:
have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:
give us your peace, give us your peace.***

- P** 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.

[PLEASE FOLLOW THESE NEW PROCEDURES: *To ensure social distancing, please go forward to receive Holy Communion one at a time, following the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn. Two people will stand in front of the altar to distribute the consecrated wafers. Please keep your mask on, receive the wafer, and return to your seat by the side aisle. After returning to your seat, you may remove your mask to consume your wafer.*

COMMUNION CHANT

(Where True Charity and Love Abide)

[Please repeat this chant until the musician stops playing the tune.]

***Where true charity and love abide,
God is dwelling there; God is dwelling there.***

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

- P** Let us pray...
G **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

[Please stand.]

- P** The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to have the faith, heart, and hands of Christ in this world, as you go from here blessed in the name of the Holy Trinity, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
G **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

H. 580 vs 1,2

***God, who stretched the spangled heavens infinite in time and place,
flung the suns in burning radiance through the silent fields of space:
we, your children in your likeness, share inventive powers with you;
Great Creator, still creating, show us what we yet may do.***

***Proudly rise our modern cities, stately buildings, row on row;
yet their windows, blank, unfeeling, stare on canyoned streets below,
where the lonely drift unnoticed in the city's ebb and flow,
lost to purpose and to meaning, scarcely caring where they go.***

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Allegro

G. F. Handel

SERVING Us TODAY

Celebrant & Preacher	Michael Durning
Deacon	Cindy Roehl
Organist	Robert Moncrief
Acolyte/Crucifer	Carol Beauchamp
Lectors	Carolyn Hughes & Judy Warner
Prayers of the People	Carolyn Hughes
Ushers	Steve & Caroline Maisel
Building & Grounds	Pat Cates