

"Where All Are Welcome . . . No Exceptions!"

# The First Sunday in Lent

March 6, 2022

# The Holy Eucharist The Word of God

Prelude Voluntary on 'A Mighty Fortress Is Our God'

Hymn Tune: Ein feste Burg Sherri Hanson

Processional Hymn (Please stand as able) Please see page 8

Children's Chat - Robert Freeman

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue (Please kneel or be seated)
The Celebrant and People pray responsively

Hear the commandments of God to God's people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

The Celebrant may add the following sentence

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark* 12:29–31



#529 | "In Christ There is No East or West"

#### The Confession of Sin (Please kneel as able or be seated)

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (Silence may be kept)

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

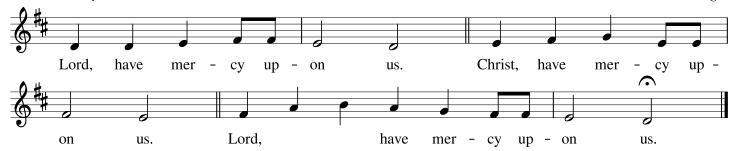
glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant 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.* 

#### Lord, Have Mercy (Please stand as able)

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena



## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the Collect

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 forever.

People Amen.

First Reading (Please be seated)

Reader A Reading from Deuteronomy:

#### Introduction to the First Reading

In this reading Moses addresses God's people before they enter the promised land. They are to recall regularly their dependence upon God for the land and its harvest, offering back to God the first fruits of the harvest in thanksgiving to God.

# Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# Psalm of the Day

# Psalm 91: 1-2,9-16



He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

He shall say to the LORD,

"You are my refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."

Because you have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

There shall no evil happen to you,

neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over you,

to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you in their hands,

lest you dash your foot against a stone.

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

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[ANT.] Because he is bound to me in love,

therefore will I deliver him;

I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;

I am with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

With long life will I satisfy him,

and show him my salvation.

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# Second Reading

Reader A Reading from The Letter of Paul to the Romans:

## Introduction to the Second Reading

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Paul reminds the Christians at Rome of the foundation of their faith, the confession in the risen Christ as Lord. "Jesus is Lord" is the earliest and simplest creed of the Church.

Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn** (Please stand as able) – Please see page 9

"When We Are Tested"

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke:

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

# The Holy Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.""

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him."

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,

to protect you,'

and

'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test." When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

# The Nicene Creed (Please stand as able)

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

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.

# The Prayers of the People The Leader and People pray responsively.

Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

You know your Church, O God. You know that because of fear and greed, we are slow to offer the first fruits of our hearts. Forgive us and come quickly to help us. Hear us, O God;

You know the hearts of mortals, O God. You know that we are prone to hatred and division. Yet, you make no distinctions, but only love. Help us to be more like you. Forgive us and come quickly to help us. Hear us, O God;

#### Save us, O God.

You know we are quick to exploit your creation, O God. You know we take the blessings of this life for granted. Forgive us and come quickly to help us. Hear us, O God;

#### Save us, O God.

You know our temptations, O God. You know we are not as strong as we think we are. Give us your strength. Forgive us and come quickly to help us. Hear us, O God;

#### Save us, O God.

You know our weaknesses, O God. You know we struggle in our pain; we suffer and experience trouble. Come quickly to help us. Hear us, O God;

#### Save us, O God.

In you, O God, do we put our trust. We entrust to you our dead because you alone are our refuge and salvation. You alone are mighty to save. Hear us, O God;

#### Save us, O God.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially remembering those on our parish prayer list and those we name in our hearts.

(The congregation may add their own petitions either silently or aloud after the prayer list is read.)

Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

#### Amen.

(The Celebrant may add a concluding Collect, or a Doxology.)

The Peace (Please stand as able)

The peace of the Lord be always with you. Celebrant

People And also with you.

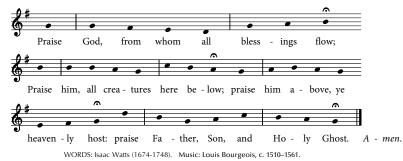
# The Holy Communion

Being seated, we begin with a time of offering, giving money as a sign that our life serves God's purposes and showing our gratitude for God's many blessings.

Your faithful tithes and offerings are much needed and can be sent to: The Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist, PO Box 441, Milton, DE 19968 OR Securely online through our website - <a href="https://www.stjohnthebaptistmilton.org/give.html">https://www.stjohnthebaptistmilton.org/give.html</a>

### Offertory Sentence & Interlude

**Doxology** (The offering is presented as the Doxology is sung. Please stand as able)



### Offertory Hymn

People Celebrant Please see page 10

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The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. People

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise. People

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Eucharistic Prayer C

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.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymnal S130



The people may kneel as able, or be seated. The Celebrant continues.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

# We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

### Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *Amen.* 

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

People

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

**Fraction Anthem:** Lamb of God

New Plainsong



Post Communion Prayer (Please kneel or be seated)

Celebrant

Let us pray.

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.

#### Benediction

Recessional Hymn (Please stand as able) Please see page 11

#688 | "A Mighty Fortress"

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Fugue in B-minor" Johann Pachelbel

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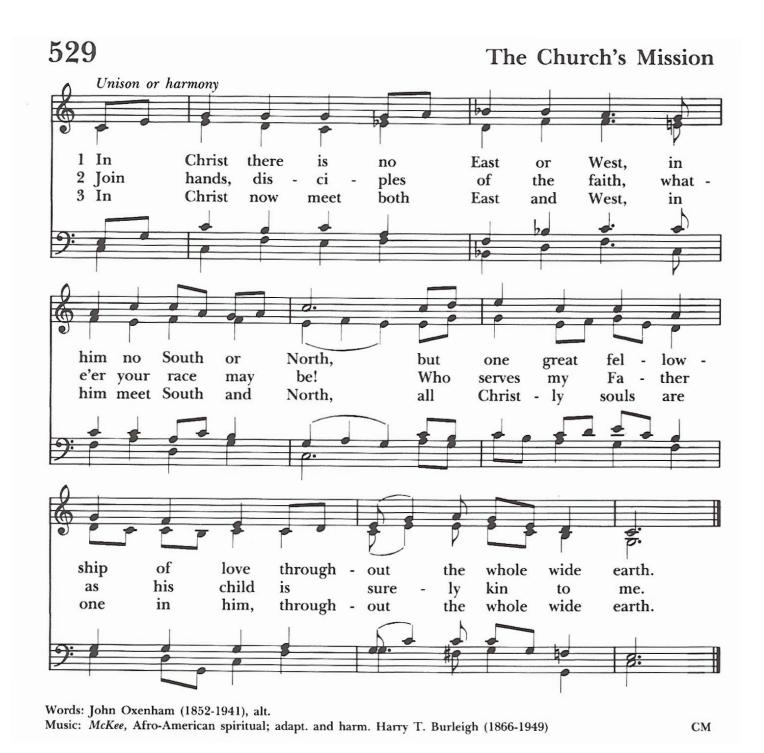
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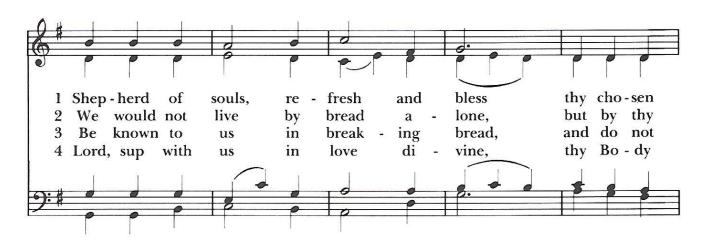
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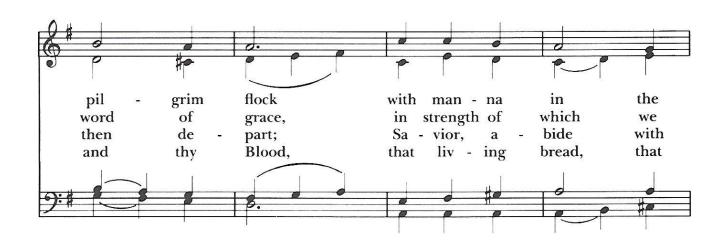


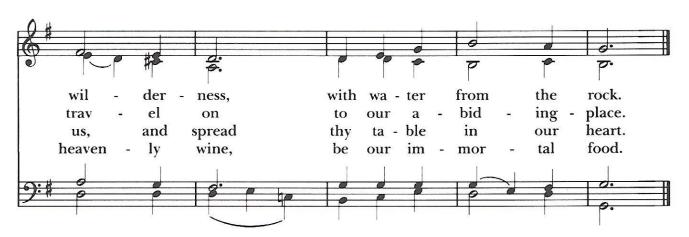


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# Holy Eucharist







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