

ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Second Sunday in Lent

March 5th, 2023
10:30am Holy Eucharist

*The crèche (nursery) is attended and available for babies and toddlers.
Lay Anointing and Prayers for Healing are available after communion when lay anointers are present.*

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY


We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy)

PLEASE STAND



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,
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Choir: Lord Jesus, you help us take up our cross in joy to follow your journey.

All: Christe eleison . . .

Choir: You come now in word and sacrament to strengthen us on our journey.

All: Kyrie eleison . . .

The Apostolic Greeting

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy endures for ever.

Invitation to Confession and Absolution

PLEASE KNEEL AS YOU ARE ABLE

Lent is the season for sober reflection on the ways in which we fall short of God's idea for us. As such, it is customary to begin our worship with a penitent heart.

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to God's table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

All: 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 neighbours 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.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn: #179 Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery

PLEASE STAND

During this hymn, we are sprinkled with water as a symbol of God's forgiveness and our new life in Christ.

Tree of Life and awesome mystery, in your death we are reborn;
Though you die in all of history, still you rise with every morn,
Still you rise with every morn.

Seed that dies to rise in glory, may we see ourselves in you;
If we learn to live your story we may die to rise anew,
We may die to rise anew.

In our call to be a blessing, may we be a blessing true;
May we live and die confessing Christ as Lord of all we do,
Christ as Lord of all we do.

The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4A

PLEASE BE SEATED

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 27:1-6 PLEASE REMAIN SEATED

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Choir: The Lord is my light and my salvation; * whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life; * of whom then shall I be afraid?

All: Bless the Lord, my soul . . .

Choir: Though an army should encamp against me, * yet my heart shall not be afraid;
And though war should rise up against me, * yet will I put my trust in him.

**All: Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.**

Choir: One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; * that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord * and to seek him in his temple.

All: Bless the Lord, my soul . . .

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Church in Rome.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. 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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Gospel Acclamation: We Are Not Alone (P. Choplin)

PLEASE STAND

The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, what whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have

eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Charge to Vestry: Fr. Michelle

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

The Prayers of the People

PLEASE KNEEL OR STAND AS YOU PREFER

Please respond to the petition "Living God, breathe into us" with "that we may live in you."

The Peace

PLEASE STAND

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People: **And also with you!**

(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: CP #529 God, My Hope on You Is Founded

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

God, my hope on you is founded; you my faith and trust renew:

Through all change and chance you guide me, only good and only true.

God unknown, you alone call my heart to be your own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown, betray our trust;

Though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust.

But your power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

Daily does the almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow;

God's desire for us delights us, pleasure leads us where we go.

Here at hand, love takes stand, joy awaits God's sure command.

God's great goodness lasts forever, deepest wisdom, passing thought:

Splendour, light, and life attending, beauty springing out of naught.

Evermore from God's store new-born worlds rise and adore.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done,

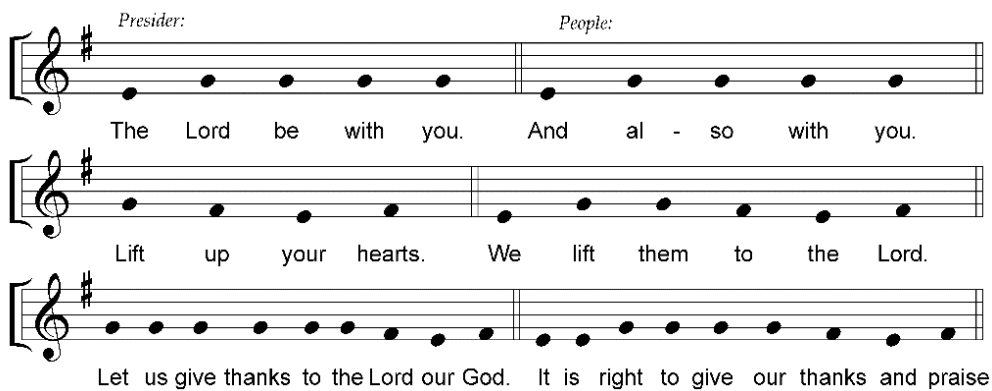
High above all praises praising for the gift of Christ the Son.

Christ, you call one and all; those who follow shall not fall.

Prayer Over the Gifts

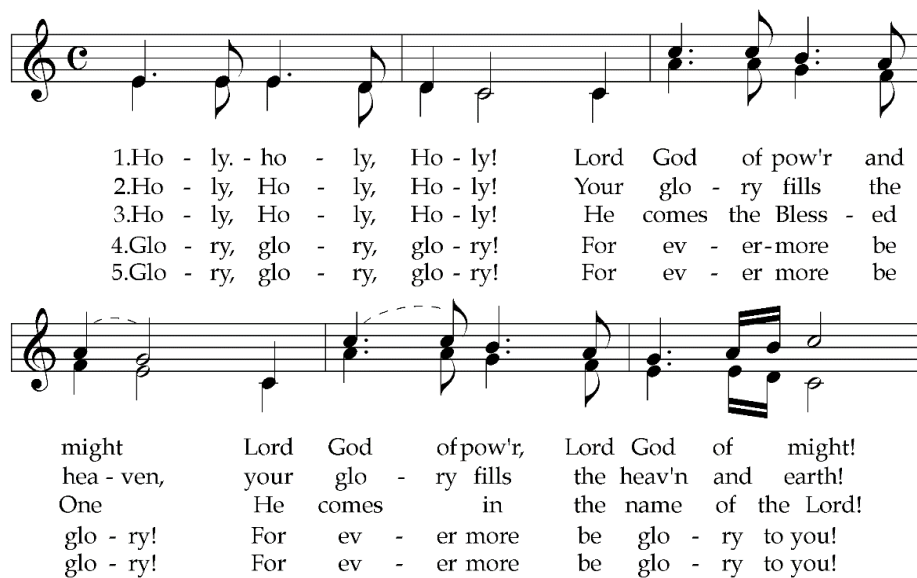
Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: *People:*




The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise

*The Presiding Celebrant will begin the Eucharistic Prayer by either singing or saying the preface to the prayer. The preface will conclude with the words "to proclaim the glory of your name."
We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus as follows:*



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and
2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Your glo - ry fills the
3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! He comes the Bless - ed
4. Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! For ev - er - more be
5. Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! For ev - er more be
might Lord God of pow'r, Lord God of might!
hea - ven, your glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth!
One He comes in the name of the Lord!
glo - ry! For ev - er more be glo - ry to you!
glo - ry! For ev - er more be glo - ry to you!



Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
Glo - ry - be to you!
A - men, A - men!

The Presiding Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing verse 4 of the Sanctus:

People: *(verse 4)* **Glory, glory, glory! For evermore be glory!
For evermore be glory to you! Glory be to you!**

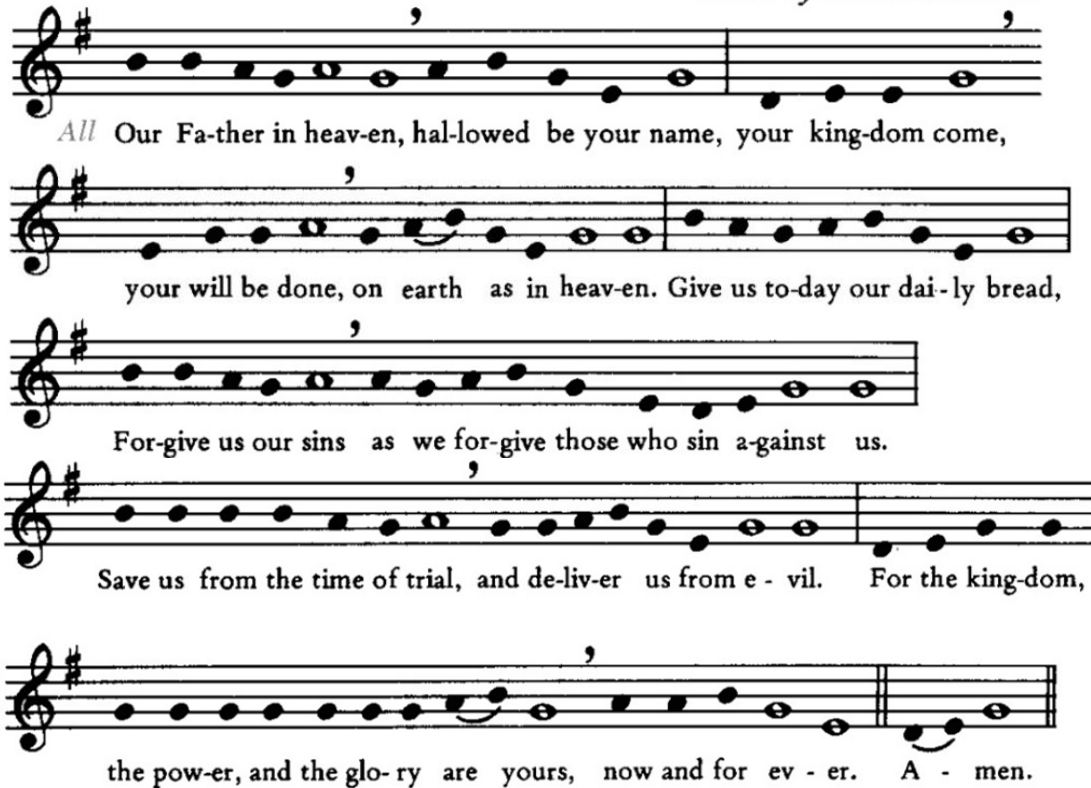
*The Presiding Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer,
and at the elevation of the bread and cup, we sing verse 5 of the Sanctus:*

People: *(verse 5)* **Glory, glory, glory! For evermore be glory!
For evermore be glory to you! Amen, amen!**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

Music by McNeil Robinson



All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,
For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.
Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,
the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread #7

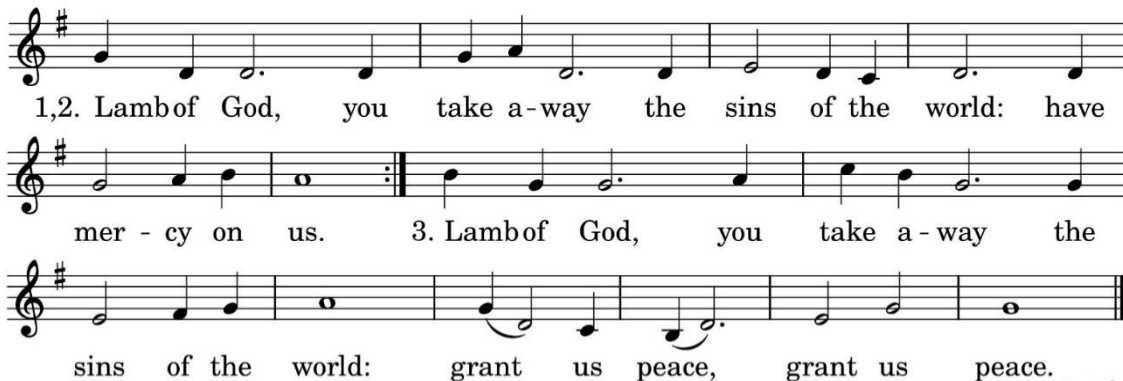
Presider: We break this bread,

All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Presider: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

All: If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

Song for the Breaking of Bread: Lamb of God



1,2. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have
mer - cy on us. 3. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

All are welcome to come forward, including children and infants. Those who are baptised may receive holy communion. Those who do not take communion are welcome to receive a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate this to the priest.

If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your hands over your chest when you are presented with the chalice. Dipping the bread in the chalice is not permitted. Receiving in one kind is considered full participation in the sacrament. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

All are welcome to receive Lay Anointing and Prayers for Healing when lay anointers are present. If you wish to receive anointing, please go to the Lady Altar and/or Book of Remembrance after partaking in communion. Please state your name and your prayer request, if desired, to the anointer.

Music During Communion

Communion Hymn: Take and Eat

Take and eat; take and eat: this is my bo - dy giv-en up for you.

Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood giv-en up for you.

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Choir: I am the Lamb that takes away your sin; I am the gate that guards you night and day;
You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice; you are my own: your ransom is my blood.

All: Take and eat . . .

Choir: I am the cornerstone that God has laid; a chosen stone and precious in his eyes;
You are God's dwelling place, on me you rest; like living stones, a temple for God's praise.

All: Take and eat . . .

Anthem: O For a Closer Walk with God

C.V. Stanford

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

The Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: CP #177 A Spendthrift Lover is the Lord

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

A spendthrift lover is the Lord who never counts the cost
Or asks if heaven can afford to woo a world that's lost.
Our lover tosses coins of gold across the midnight skies
And stokes the sun against the cold to warm us when we rise.

Still more is spent in blood and tears to win the human heart,
To overcome the violent fears that drive the world apart.
Behold the bruised and thorn-crowned face of one who bears our scars
And empties out the wealth of grace that's hinted by the stars.

How shall we love this heart-strong God who gives us everything,
Whose ways to us are strange and odd; what can we give or bring?
Acceptance of the matchless gift is gift enough to give.
The very act will shake and shift the way we love and live.

Dismissal

In the spirit of Lent, you are invited to take time for silent reflection and prayer before departing.

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