

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

## The First Sunday in Lent

Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024

10:30am Holy Eucharist

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*The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is available for use by parents of babies and toddlers.*

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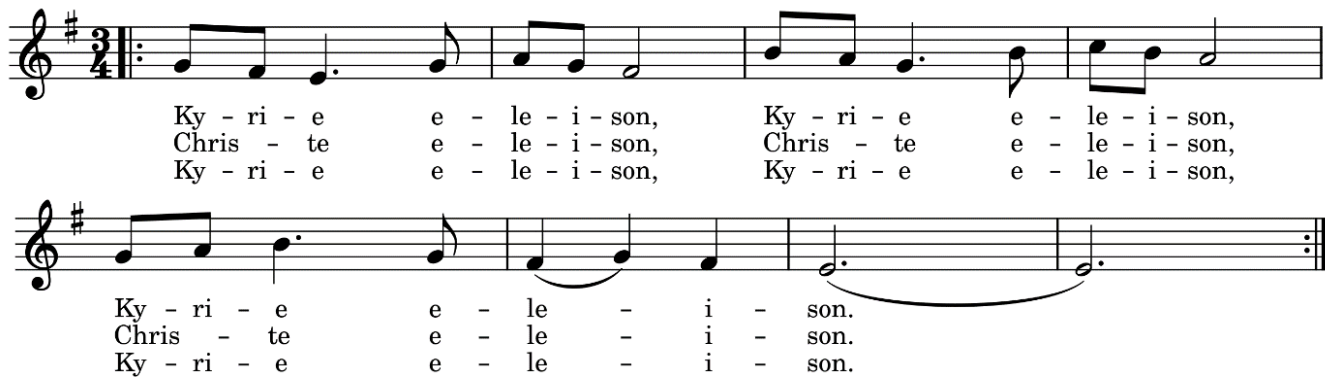
### Welcome & Announcements

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*We gather with song and prayer as the People of God*

#### Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy)

PLEASE STAND



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*Music: Marty Haugen  
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Choir: Lord Jesus, you lead us into the desert, strong 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 ideal 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 (vv. 1, 6a, 6b)

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.

Light of life beyond conceiving, mighty Spirit of our Lord;  
Give new strength to our believing, give us faith to live your word,  
Give us faith to live your word.

From the dawning of creation you have loved us as your own;  
Stay with us through all temptation, make us turn to you alone,  
Make us turn to you alone.

### Prayer of the Day

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

*We read and respond to God's message in scripture*

**First Reading:** Genesis 9:8-17

PLEASE BE SEATED

*A Reading from the Book of Genesis.*

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)*

**Psalm 91:1-2, 9-12**

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

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22**

PLEASE BE SEATED

*A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.*

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you - not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

- 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: Mark 1:9-15**

- Reader: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**  
Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a

voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon: Rev'd Janet

*(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, "Lord, in your mercy," with the response, "hear our prayer."*

**All: 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 Peace**

PLEASE STAND

Prisider: 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#628** O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High  
O love, how deep, how broad, how high! It fills the heart with ecstasy,  
That God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

God sent no angel to our race, of higher or of lower place,  
But wore the robe of human frame for us, and to this lost world came.

For us he was baptized, and bore his holy fast, and hungered sore;  
For us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.

For us he prayed, for us he taught, for us his daily works he wrought;  
By words and signs, and actions, thus still seeking not himself but us.

For us by wickedness betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,  
He bore the shameful cross and death; for us at length gave up his breath.

For us he rose from death again, for us he went on high to reign,  
For us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

To God whose boundless love has won salvation for us through the Son,  
To God the Father, glory be both now and through eternity.

### **Prayer Over the Gifts**

## Eucharistic Prayer

**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 our thanks and praise.**

*The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus following:*



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 recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice we sing the following:*

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

*The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing the following:*

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

## The Breaking of the Bread #7

**Presider:** We break this bread,

**All:** **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Prisider: 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

O Lamb of God, you take a - way, you take a - way the  
sin - - - of the world, 1.Lord have  
2.Lord have  
3.Give us your  
mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord.  
mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord.  
peace, O give us your peace, Lord.

Music: Carl Orff  
Carmina Burana

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

People: Thanks be to God.

### The Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

*All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion.  
If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this.  
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

### Music During Communion

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup (CP #63)

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun - gry,  
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

Music: Jacques Berthier  
Taizé Community  
1984, GIA Publications

Choir: I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father.

People: Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .

Choir: Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven.

**People: Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.**

**Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.**

Choir: Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise you up on the last day.

**People: Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .**

Choir: Anyone who eats this bread, will live forever.

**People: Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .**

Choir: If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life.

**People: Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .**

Lord, For Thy Mercy's Sake

R. Farrant

### 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**

### The Blessing

#### Closing Hymn: #170 The Glory of These Forty Days

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise;

For Christ, through whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed.

Alone and fasting, Moses saw the loving God who gave the law;

And to Elijah, fasting, came the steeds and chariots of flame.

So Daniel trained his mystic sight, delivered from the lions' might;

And John, the bridegroom's friend, became the herald of Messiah's name.

Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full oft in fast and prayer with thee;

Our spirits strengthen with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.

O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, to thee be every prayer addressed,

Who art in three-fold name adored, from age to age, the only Lord.

### Dismissal

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

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