

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

The Second Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 1, 2026, 10:30am Holy Eucharist

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

1. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,
2. Chris - te e - le - i - son, Chris - te e - le - i - son,
3. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,

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Chris - te 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

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: 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 God's name. Amen.**

The Absolution

Hymn: #179 Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery (vv. 1, 2, 6c)

PLEASE STAND

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

1. 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.
2. 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.
- 6c. 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

PLEASE BE SEATED

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

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 22:22-27

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer,
when I call, an - swer me, O Lord, hear my prayer, O
Lord, hear my prayer; come and list - en to me.

Cantor: Praise the Lord, you that fear him . . . but when they cry to him he hears them.

People: **O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

Choir: My praise is of him in the great assembly . . . "May your heart live for ever!"

People: **O Lord, hear my prayer . . .**

Choir: All the ends of the earth shall remember . . . he rules over the nations.

People: **O Lord, hear my prayer . . .**

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 be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon: Rev'd Janet Sidey

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

The Prayers of the People

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

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 #482 Come and Journey with a Saviour

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

1. Come and journey with a Saviour who has called us from our birth,
Who has washed us in the waters, and who loved us on the earth.
*Come and journey, come and journey with a Saviour who has come.
We are all God's sons and daughters; in the Spirit we are one.*
2. Come and journey, journey inward, come and seek him deep within,
Where he meets us in our living, in our striving and our sin. *Refrain.*
3. Come and journey, journey outward, telling others of his name,
Telling others of his glory, of his cross and of the shame. *Refrain.*
4. Come and journey, journey outward, where that cross calls us to care,
Where injustice and where hunger and the poor call us to share. *Refrain.*
5. Come and journey, journey upward. Sing his praises, offer prayer.
In the storm and in the stillness find his presence everywhere. *Refrain.*
6. Come and journey, journey onward; all our gifts we now shall bring
To the building of a city that is holy, Christ its King. *Refrain.*

Prayer over the Gifts

The Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: 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:



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



Lord God of pow'r, Lord God of might! Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 Your glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth! Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 He comes in the name of the Lord! Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 For ev - er-more be glo - ry to you! Glo - ry be to you!
 For ev - er-more be glo - ry 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: (sing verse 4) **Glory, glory, glory! For evermore be glory!
 For evermore 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: (sing verse 5) **Glory, glory, glory! For evermore be glory!
 For evermore be glory to you! Amen, amen!**

The Breaking of the Bread

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.**

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Song for the Breaking of the Bread



O Lamb of God, you take a-way, you take a - way the sin of the world,



1. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord.
 2. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord.
 3. Give us your peace, O give us your peace, Lord.

Music: Carl Orff
 Carmina Burana

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: Like as the Hart

N. Rawsthorne

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.

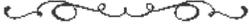
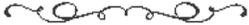
The Blessing

Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Choral Benediction: A Blessing

E. Daley


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


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