

"The Buyers and Sellers Driven Out of the Temple" by Gustave Doré



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Historic Key West's Church"

March 07, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

The Third Sunday in Lent

The Episcopal Church &

We, here at St. Paul's, Welcome You!

Our Vision and Mission...

St. Paul's Church is a magnet drawing all people to the spiritual, cultural and re-creational heart of the community. We aspire to this vision by our mission to know that we are Christ's body in the world, revealing the love of God.

*We remind ourselves of the words in scripture wherein God said,
"... my house shall be a house of prayer for all people."*

So today we pray that when you come through the doors of the sanctuary you will be greeted by love of God abiding in our hearts and minds. Your presence is a blessing to us today. Together let us bless the Lord in prayer, hymns, and dining with Christ at the Holy Table.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Organ Prelude

Lord of the Dance

setting by Douglas Wagner

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: *His mercy endures forever.*

Collect for Purity

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.*

The Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

People: *Christ, have mercy.*

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

The Salutation

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People : And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

(20:1-17)

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.

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- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.*
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.*
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,*
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.*
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.*
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.*
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.*
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.*
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.*
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.*
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.*
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.*
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.*
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.*

A Reading from I Corinthians

(1:18-25)

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.

Sequence Hymn-#455 O Love of God, How Strong and True

Dunedin

All standing

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

(2:13-22)

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

Fr. Lenworth Haughton

All standing

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant

Today as we gather in our Father's house, let us earnestly pray to God whose steadfast love embraces all generations.

Leader

For God's temple throughout the world, and for the holy people who gather in the name of Christ.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

For this parish of St Paul's, that we may be faithful to our mission and respond to the spiritual needs of those around us with compassion, joy, and truth.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

Today, in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the bishops, clergy and laity of the Province of the Anglican Church in Congo.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those throughout the Church who await new birth in the waters of baptism.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

For all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

For the victims of greed and violence, and for all who are in need, especially [prayer list here].

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who rest in the peace of Christ, and for all the departed, especially [names of departed].

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

For those celebrating birthdays today; and anniversaries.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

For our city and community, and for all those we love.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, God of power and wisdom, for you gave us Christ crucified, Christ raised from the dead. Receive the prayers we offer this day for us in our weakness and for all peoples everywhere. Glory to you for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Silence

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Leader and 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.

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Let us share the Peace of Christ with one another. Reach out beyond yourselves and be encouraged and empowered by God's grace to perhaps share this Peace with someone that you've not met yet. Stay in place, smile and wave and let us delight in being children of God in the House of the Lord.

Please be seated

Announcements

Solo

King of Glory, King of Peace

K. Lee Scott

sung by Dean Warden

King of glory, King of peace,
I will love Thee;
And that love may never cease,
I will move Thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast,
Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing Thee,
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring Thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
Thou alone didst clear me;
And alone, when they replied,
Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise Thee;
In my heart, though not in Heaven,
I can raise Thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
To enroll Thee:
E'en eternity's too short
To extol Thee.

Holy Communion

All standing

Eucharist Prayer A

BCP361

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 him thanks and praise.*

Then the Celebrant continues

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:

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

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."

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:

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

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.

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. AMEN.

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

*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

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast!

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Prayers when we cannot receive Holy Communion

In union, O Lord Jesus Christ, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I join in offering the sacrifice of my praise and thanksgiving to you. I present to you myself, my soul, and my body, with the earnest longing that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you in this Holy Sacrament, come spiritually, I pray you, into my heart. I unite myself to you, and love you with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength. Let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

All standing

Post-communion prayer

BCP 365

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.

Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Organ Postlude

Remember in Your Prayers Today: Brittany (Sherri Hodies' daughter), Beth and Jon Peterson (sister-in-law and brother of Tim), Al (Kitty Robert's partner), Zane Wruble (daughter of Kathleen Bratton), Peter Nanos, Chuck Hammond and Joseph Lyles

Remember those who have died:

We Celebrate these March Anniversaries:

Noe & Derek Nelson	3/6
Michael & Lorri-Ann Guay	3/17
John & Lorilee McDaniel	3/17

We Celebrate these March Birthdays:

Dana Dickinson	3/1	Dave Holfinger	3/12	Harrison Simmons	3/22
Angie Canterbury	3/2	Stryker Lavoie	3/12	John Sangston	3/23
Lemuel Roberts	3/3	Piper Acevedo	3/16	Pamela Albury	3/24
Leighton Conaty	3/4	Marilyn Williams	3/17	Susan Crandall	3/24
Sam Dickson	3/6	Kevin Hernandez	3/18	Nicole Marius	3/25
Tiffany Albury	3/8	Alex Lavoie	3/18	Dean Schott	3/26
Iain Wilcox	3/8	Maxwell Mungall	3/20	Carol Burnham	3/30
Bud Halldorson	3/9	Susan Birrell	3/21	Ricardo Montano	3/30
Sandy Lee	3/9	Bruce Hagemann	3/21	Andrea Mungall	3/30
		Jane Payne	3/21		

Celebrant: Fr. Lenworth Houghton
Organist: Tim Peterson
Cantor: Dean Warden
Reader: Lilla Whiteside
Ushers: Brian Wagstaff
Greta Ford

St. Paul's Vestry

Senior Warden, Ray Warren (Class of 2022)

Junior Warden, Greta Philips-Ford (Class of 2023)

Class of 2022: Kim Grizzle-Malgrat, Samantha Hall

Class of 2023: Bruce Hagemann, Lilla Whiteside

Class of 2024: Holle Campbell, Perry Hodies, Dean Warden

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please consider buying a personalized brick for the brick paver portion of the Memorial Garden. The cost of a 4 x 8 brick is \$100. Each brick will accommodate up to 3 lines and up to 18 characters per line, including spaces. You may order a Donor Brick with an additional donation of \$35; this is a duplicate of the brick being placed in the garden. With an additional donation of \$12 you may purchase a Donor Certificate to frame or to present as a gift. You can order your brick(s) at <https://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/stpaulskw>

SATURDAY MORNINGS, 9:00am– 11:00am. Help us beautify St Paul's with a list of projects that Jr. Warden Greta Ford has lined up. There is something for everyone to do, both inside and out. We wear our masks, social distance, and have a well-deserved time in fellowship with others.

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER is being offered on Facebook Live at 7:30AM and 5:00PM on weekdays. Thanks to Bruce Hagemann, Lisa Laskow, Mary Simmons, Samantha Hall, and Sarah Hall for volunteering to officiate at these sacred moments.

To join in the prayers via Facebook, go to the church Facebook page at the appropriate time and look for the window showing that "St. Paul's Key West is now live." Then click on the window.

Please help us with a little housecleaning. As you leave worship this morning, please take your bulletin with you for recycling at home. There is also a small trash can at the end of the middle aisle in the narthex, as you leave the church.

Search Committee Update. Continue to pray for those on the committee at St Paul's Episcopal Church, as their work continues in earnest, during this search for a new Rector at St Paul's.

O God, giver of every good gift, look graciously upon your whole church and upon St. Paul's. Guide us to use the diverse gifts, talents, and skills with which you have blessed us that we may increase our commitment to one another and to the mission of your Church, and may choose a faithful Rector to lead us to love, serve, and grow in our congregation, in our community, and in the wider church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Today is T.R.U.E. Fund Sunday. We thank everyone for your continued generosity. This is one of St Paul's biggest direct outreach to our community, serving those who are in great need.



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