



# SUNDAY NOTES

FEBRUARY 21, 2021

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO

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## WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S!

Wherever you are in the world or on your life's journey, we are glad you chose to worship with us today. If you are new to St. Paul's, please [fill out our welcome card](#). A member of the clergy will reach out, and we look forward to getting to know you!

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## TODAY

We welcome the Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis, as our guest preacher today in honor of [Episcopal Relief & Development \(ERD\) Sunday](#). On this day, faith communities across the Episcopal Church celebrate the work of ERD, which supports communities struggling with hunger, poverty, disaster and disease around the world. In 2020, St. Paul's supported ERD's One Thousand Days of Love campaign, surpassing our fundraising goal of \$5,000 with a final total of \$5,200 that was supplemented by a \$5000 donation from the Outreach Committee and proceeds from the annual herb sale. We encourage you to consider making a gift to support the life-saving work of [ERD through our team page](#).

Today we begin our worship by praying the Great Litany, learn more about this treasure of our Anglican heritage in a [reflection by the Rev. Brandon Ashcraft](#).

## A River Through the Desert

A Lenten Virtual Pilgrimage  
*Sundays in Lent, 10 a.m.*

In this year's Lent forum offering, we'll travel to Israel and explore the geography of the Holy Land in a virtual pilgrimage from St. George's College Jerusalem. We'll walk where Jesus walked and see the desert, the water well, the mountain, the sea, the road, and, finally, the garden where Jesus prayed. We are seeking the presence of God and hope to meet the Risen Christ. [Register for the series on Zoom](#).

## Carillon Concert

Welcome Back David!  
*Sunday, February 21, 11 a.m.*

Join our resident carillonneur David Osburn on Sundays at 11 a.m. on the lawn or from the warmth of your car.

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## THIS WEEK

### An Exploration of the Gospel of Mark

A Lenten Bible Study

*Wednesdays, February 24 to March 24, 7 p.m.*

This Lenten Bible Study will explore the Gospel of Mark — the primary source of our Sunday Gospel readings for this year. The sessions will shine a spotlight on Mark's unique approach to telling the "good news of the story of Jesus, the Son of God" and will combine tools of historical, literary, and textual analysis to unearth the riches of this earliest and shortest of the four gospels. No advance preparation is needed, and those interested can join at any point in the series. The sessions will be led by the Rev. Brandon Ashcraft. [Register on Zoom](#).

### Contemplative Prayer Group

*Fridays, 10 a.m.*

The Contemplative Prayer Group meets on Friday mornings at 10 a.m. via Zoom. They begin with a reading and 15 minutes of silent meditation, then discussion for 20 minutes, followed by another 15 minutes of silent meditation. During Lent we will be using Mary Oliver and the Poetry of Lent. Through her poetry, Oliver leads us to see how simple observation of nature can be prayerful. Contact Marge LoPresti with any questions at (216) 702-3098. [Use this link to join](#). Password: **Prayer**

### Prayers for Repentance & Reconciliation

*Fridays, February 19 to March 26, 12 p.m.*

Pause for a few moments on Fridays in Lent to be nourished by the ancient words of scripture and to pray a special Litany of Repentance. The service will be led by members of St. Paul's Sacred Ground circles, a ministry of the Episcopal Church that fosters racial healing, reconciliation, and justice. By embracing the Lenten call to prayer, self-examination, and repentance, we'll discover the joy of new life in Christ that resides at the heart of this season. [Register to join us on Zoom](#) or [watch on Facebook](#)



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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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PRELUDE Choral Dorian

*Jehan Alain*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

### THE GREAT LITANY

*Cantor* Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,  
*Cantor* Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,  
*Cantor* Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,  
*Cantor* Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,  
  
*Cantor* From all evil and mischief;  
from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy;  
from envy, hatred and malice;  
and from all evil intent,  
  
*Cantor* From sloth, worldliness and love of money;  
from hardness of heart and contempt  
for your word and your laws,  
  
*Cantor* From famine and disaster;  
from violence, murder  
and dying unprepared,  
  
*Cantor* By the mystery of your holy incarnation;  
by your birth, childhood and obedience;  
by your baptism, fasting and temptation,  
  
*Cantor* By your ministry in word and work;  
by your mighty acts of power;  
by the preaching of your reign,  
  
*Cantor* By your agony and trial;  
by your cross and passion;  
by your precious death and burial,  
  
*Cantor* By your mighty resurrection;  
by your glorious ascension;  
and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,  
  
*Cantor* In all times of sorrow;  
in all times of joy;  
in the hour of our death  
and at the day of judgment,



Have mer - cy on us.



Sa - vior de - liv - er us.

*Cantor* Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

*Cantor* Govern and direct your holy Church;  
fill it with love and truth;  
and grant it that unity which is your will.

*Cantor* Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons  
with knowledge and understanding,  
that by their teaching and their lives  
they may proclaim your word.

*Cantor* Bless and keep all your people.

*Cantor* Strengthen those who stand;  
comfort and help the fainthearted;  
raise up the fallen;  
and finally, beat down Satan under our feet.

*Cantor* Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways  
of peace and justice.

*Cantor* Give us the will to use the resources of the earth  
to your glory and for the good of all.

*Cantor* Comfort and liberate the lonely,  
the bereaved, and the oppressed.

*Cantor* Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit, and  
provide for the homeless, the hungry and the  
destitute.

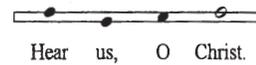
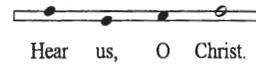
*Cantor* Guard and protect all children who are in  
danger.

*Cantor* Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages  
and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

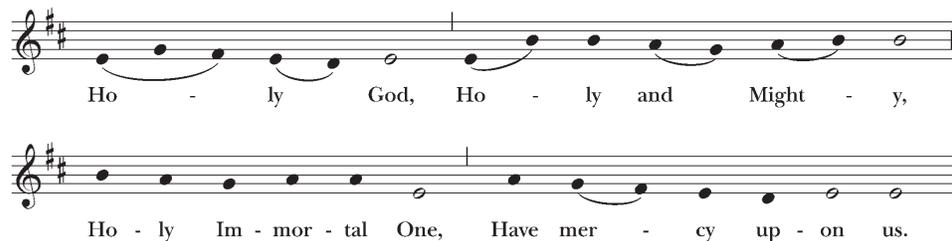
*Cantor* Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers,  
and turn their hearts.

*Cantor* Hear us as we remember those who have died,  
and grant us with them  
a share in your eternal glory.

*Cantor* Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.



*Cantor* Give us true repentance; forgive our sins of negligence and ignorance  
and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to  
amend our lives according to your word.



## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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 for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### FIRST LESSON

*Genesis 9:8-17*

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* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

*Psalms 25:1-9*

**1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

**2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**

**3 Show me your ways, O Lord, \*  
and teach me your paths.**

**4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.**

**5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.**

**6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.**

**7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.**

8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

HYMN NO. 608 Eternal Father, strong to save

Melita

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the  
3 Most Ho - ly Spi - rit, who didst brood up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, thy chil - dren shield in

rest - less wave, who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep its  
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and floc, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace; O hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

GOSPEL

Mark 1:9-15

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord 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."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of our Savior.

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

## THE SERMON

The Rt. Revd. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows  
*Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis*

## THE NICENE CREED

*All*

**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 PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

# THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY

All are invited to make a gift to support the mission and ministry of St. Paul's by texting "StPaulsCle" to 73256 or by visiting our online portal: [onRealm.com/StPaulsCle/give/now](http://onRealm.com/StPaulsCle/give/now)

ANTHEM Forty days and forty nights

*Diocesan Choir*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer A*

*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.**

*Celebrant* 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:

*All* **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.**

*Celebrant* 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:

*All* **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* **AMEN.**

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

*All* **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 FRACTION

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said:*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

*The Celebrant invites the following prayer to be said by all.*

*All* **My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

ANTHEM Litany to the Holy Spirit

*Peter Hurford*

*St. Cecilia & Youth Choirs*

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Eternal God,**

**you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.**

## THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

*Celebrant* Bow down before the Lord.

*The people kneel.*

*Celebrant* Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN NO. 145 Now quit your care and anxious fear and worry *Quittez, Pasteurs*

1 Now quit your care and anx - ious fear and wor - ry; for  
4 For right - eous - ness and peace will show their fac - es to  
5 Then shall your light break forth as doth the morn - ing; your

1 schemes are vain and fret - ting brings no gain. Lent calls to  
4 those who feed the hun - gry in their need, and wrongs re -  
5 health shall spring, the friends you make shall bring God's glo - ry

1 prayer, to trust and ded - i - ca - tion; God brings new beau - ty  
4 dress, who build the old waste plac - es, and in the dark - ness  
5 bright, your way through life a - dorn - ing; and love shall be the

*Unison*                      *Harmony*

1 nigh; re - ply, re - ply, re - ply with love to love most high;  
 4 shine. Di - vine, di - vine, di - vine it is when all com - bine!  
 5 prize. A - rise, a - rise, a - rise! and make a par - a - dise!

*Unison*                      *Harmony*

1 re - ply, re - ply, re - ply with love to love most high.  
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POSTLUDE Wer nun den lieben Gott laesst walten

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

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<i>Celebrant</i>	Jeanne Leinbach	<i>Lector</i>	Ernie Petrey
<i>Preacher</i>	Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows	<i>Musicians</i>	Karel Paukert, Lizzy Frey, Brian Skoog
<i>Assisting Priest</i>	Brandon Ashcraft		

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