



Henrico Parish

The First Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Welcome to St. John's Church. We are glad you are here. If you are new to us today and have questions about our worship, please ask our ushers or one of our members in the pews. Here is some information to assist you:

Children's Chapel meets at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Nursery care is available in the Parish Hall. Your infants and toddlers are welcome to stay in the nursery during the church service.

Other Helpful Information

Restrooms are located in the Parish Hall and behind the church.

The Book of Common Prayer is red.

The Hymnal is blue. Numbers preceded by "S" are in the front of the hymnal.

Food and Beverage We thank you for not eating or drinking in the church.

Communion All are welcome at Christ's table. To receive wine by drinking from the chalice, please go to the right at the communion rail. To receive wine through intinction, go to the left; a member of the clergy will dip your wafer in the intinction cup and hand it to you. To take just the wafer or to receive only a blessing, please go to the right. *Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.* To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. If you prefer communion be brought to you in your pew, let the usher know.

We will continue to livestream worship on YouTube for our online community. We hope that by offering an option for online worship, those who are not able to come to church will feel connected.

Our Mission

We are a caring, spiritual community, joyfully embracing and nurturing all;
serving God, each other, and the community.

This is a holy time and place. Please prepare for worship in silence, so others may do the same.

Prelude

The Great Litany

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 148

The musical setting for the Great Litany follows. The cantor begins, and the congregation sings the responses. To follow the Litany in its entirety, please refer to page 148 in the Book of Common Prayer.

Officiant
O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

People
preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

Officiant
From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the

People
devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,

Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,

People
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)

Officiant Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.
People Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.	
<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.	
<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>
O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.	
<i>Officiant</i> Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. <i>People</i> Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. <i>Officiant</i> Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.	

Salutation

BCP 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

The Collect of the Day

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. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Response *We will read the psalm responsively by whole verse.*

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Qui habitat

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the LORD,

*"You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."*

9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,

10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

14 Because he is bound to me in love,
*therefore will I deliver him; **
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

The Second Reading

Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn "In Christ there is no East or West"

Hymnal 529

The Holy Gospel *Remain standing.*

Luke 4:1-13

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

The Rev. Laura Inscoe

The Nicene Creed *Please stand.*

*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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.*

*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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 translation of the Nicene Creed was approved for congregational use at the 2018 General Convention of the Episcopal Church and is published in *Text Of Expansive Language Liturgies From Resolution 2018-D078p*.

The Peace

BCP 360

Announcements

The Offertory Anthem

O Lamb of God

R. Shepherd

The Presentation of the Offering

WL&P 825

Officiant *People*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.

Officiant *People*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

Officiant *People*

O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.

Officiant Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
People Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.
Officiant Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

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 God thanks and praise.*

The Celebrant continues with Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. * Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues as participants kneel or remain standing.

BCP 368

The Great Amen

Sydnor

A - men, A - men, A - - - - - men.

A - men, A - men, A - - - - - men.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

The Fraction Anthem

Vasile

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy, have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:

grant us, O grant us your peace.

After the Fraction

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please sit or kneel. All are welcome at Christ's table. *To receive wine by drinking from the chalice, please go to the right at the communion rail. To receive wine through intinction, go to the left; a member of the clergy will dip your wafer in the intinction cup and hand it to you.* To take just the wafer or to receive only a blessing, please go to the right. To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. *Gluten free wafers are available upon request.* If you prefer communion be brought to you in your pew, let the usher know.

Communion Hymn "Now let us all with one accord"

Hymnal 146

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

The Solemn Prayer

Recessional "Lord, who throughout these forty days"

Hymnal 142

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, walking in love and rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

Welcome to St. John's Church

If you are seeking a place to explore your faith, we invite you to make St. John's Church your spiritual home.

Please complete a visitor card, found in your pew, and place it in the offering plate to receive our weekly email. We hope that you will join us in the Parish Hall immediately following the service for coffee hour.

Land Acknowledgment

Please join us in acknowledging and honoring the Indigenous peoples who are the original inhabitants of the land on which St. John's Church now stands: the Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Mattaponi, Monacan, Nansemond, Nottoway, Pamunkey, Patawomeck, Powhatan, Upper Mattaponi, and Rappahannock tribes. We give thanks for them and express our gratitude for their witness on how to live a life that is honorable and humble. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong us: that we belong the Earth and that we are all relatives in life. Help us to learn from our past mistakes and to be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.

Prayer for St. John's Church

O God, creator of life and giver of gladness, let us be your Beacon on the Hill, shining your light so brightly that others may come to know you, to love, and to be loved. Help us to reach out to those around us, bearing fruit through acts of kindness, welcome, and fellowship. Amen.

*Thank you for disposing of your bulletin and insert in the recycling receptacle
if you do not intend to take them with you.*

Serving this Morning

Celebrant	The Rev. Laura Inscoe
Preacher	The Rev. Laura Inscoe
Deacon	The Rev. JD Dickinson
Minister of Music	Curt Sydnor
LEM	Reeves McCune
Acolyte	Cal Buchanan
Lectors	Raymond Elmore, Victoria Hauser, and Lisa Wood
Ushers	Bert Hillier and Laura Streat
Greeter	John King
Tellers	Bert Hillier and Reeves McCune
Videographer	Alice McGuire
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