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PRELUDE *Psalm Sonata No. 1 (II. Psalm 147:3)* Brenda Portman

Please stand as the bells toll the solemn procession.

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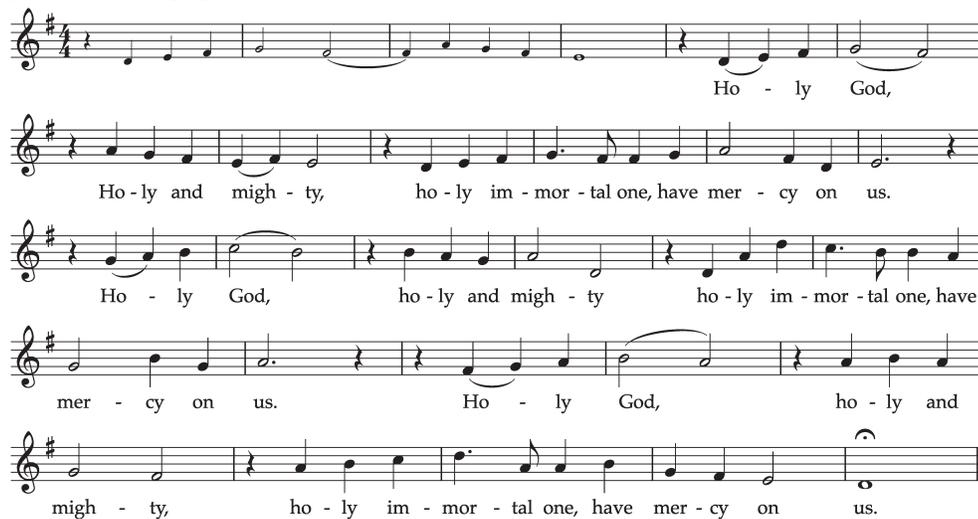
Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
People **God's mercy endures for ever.**
Presider The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come let us adore Him.

HYMN 362 *Holy, holy holy!* *Nicaea*
sung by all in procession

SUMMARY OF THE LAW BCP page 319

Priest Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

TRISAGION *Andrew Senn*
sung by all as the congregation continues to stand



Ho - ly God,
 Ho - ly and migh - ty, ho - ly im - mor - tal one, have mer - cy on us.
 Ho - ly God, ho - ly and migh - ty ho - ly im - mor - tal one, have
 mer - cy on us. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and
 migh - ty, ho - ly im - mor - tal one, have mer - cy on us.

Texts for the Collect, Lessons, Psalm and Anthem texts can be found in the Worship Supplement.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Following the Collect, the congregation is seated.

READING *from the Book of Genesis 12:1-4a*

Following the reading:

Lector The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Worship at
 The Redeemer**

Sunday

8:00am-Holy Eucharist
 in Church

9:30am-Holy Eucharist

last Sunday of the month
Choral Matins with Communion
 & via Livestream

5:00pm

1st & 3rd Sundays
 Choral Evensong

during the academic year

8:00pm-Compline via Zoom

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00pm-Compline via Zoom

LENTEN LITURGY

Through the season of Lent we will begin our service with the Trinitarian (and well known) hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy." It is an emphatic expression of our being before God. The "Observance of a Holy Lent" often falls to small acts of deprivation or a dreary focus on sinfulness. Lent is not meant to be chiefly about us, however; it is rather the exercise of discovering ever anew the true depth of God's forgiveness and reconciliation, which then reaches its culmination in Easter.

GRACE NOTES...

*small things
 that herald greater ones.*

All by Kevin Vanhooser:

The Drama of Doctrine

Compiled by the Rector

The Christian faith is not a system of ideas or moral values, but a drama in which God's speech and action are decisive parts.

PSALM 121
sung by the choir

Levavi oculos (I lift up my eyes)

Henry Walford Davies

HYMN 440
sung by all, standing

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

Liebster Jesu

GOSPEL *from The Gospel According to John 3:1-17*

Before the reading of the Gospel

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.

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

Following the reading of the Gospel

Priest The Gospel of the Lord. *People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Jo Ann B. Jones

Following the reading of the Gospel, children follow the cross to Children's Chapel. They will return at the time of The Presentation.

NICENE CREED, *said by all, standing*

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**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, 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 Gospel is something said about something done.

CONFESSON, *please remain standing*

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Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you**

and **in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,**

People **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.**

Presider 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, *all standing*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* **And also with you.**

The congregation exchanges The Peace and remains standing until after the Offertory Sentence.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

ANTHEM
sung by the choirs

Come, O thou traveler unknown

Richard Webster

verses 1 & 2 sung by all, standing

**1 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round of circling planets singing on their way,
guide of the nations from the night profound into the glory of the perfect day;
rule in our hearts, that we may ever be guided and strengthened and upheld by thee.**

verse 2 unaccompanied

**2 We would be one in hatred of all wrong, one in the love of all things sweet and fair,
one with the joy that breaketh into song, one with the grief that trembleth into prayer;
one in the power that makes thy children free to follow truth, and thus to follow thee.**
**3 Oh, clothe us with thy heavenly armor, Lord, thy trusty shield, thy word of love divine;
our inspiration be thy constant word, we ask no victories that are not thine;
give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be; enough to know that we are serving thee.**

Before God, we, though many, and though often divided, are one. We come to one table. We drink from one cup. We kneel together, whoever we are, as members of one family. And as an expression of this, each week we will be singing the 2nd verse of the Presentation hymn unaccompanied, our many, singular voices joined in unison. If this happens nowhere else, this unison happens here.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Prayer D, BCP 372

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.***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. . .

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:

SANCTUS Hymnal S122

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Plainsong

sung by all

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
power and might, hea - ven 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.

God does not give us information by communication; He gives us himself in communion.

The choir sits and then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you,
Lord our God.**

During the Eucharistic prayer, it is traditional to ring bells after the words of institution. These bells signal that what we gather to do in worship is significant, not only for those within the church building, but for the entire community, and indeed for the entire world.

Christ is risen. Without this propositional core, the church would be evacuated of its raison d'être, leaving only programs and potlucks.

All are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed by way of the center aisle and return to your pew via the side aisles. To receive the bread, simply extend your hands. If you wish to partake of the wine, do so by intinction, dipping the host in the wine. **If you do not wish to take wine or you wish to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.** Infants and children may also receive Communion or a blessing, according to their or their parents' wishes. If you need a gluten free wafer, please ask for it from the person administering Communion.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

The Celebrant may add a number of petitions here.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER, said by all

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. In Lent, Alleluia is omitted.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

AGNUS DEI Hymnal S160

Lamb of God

Anaphora chant

sung by all

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant The gifts of God, for the people of God.

The congregation is seated and is invited to proceed to Communion.

ANTHEM

If thou be near

J.S. Bach

sung by the choir

HYMN 341 (if needed)

For the bread which you have broken

Omni Die

sung by all, seated

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER, standing

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The Celebrant says: Let us pray

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

FROM COMMUNION TO COMMUNITY

HYMN 637

How firm a foundation

Lyons

sung by all, standing

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Fugue in e minor - BWV 548

J.S. Bach

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Traditional - Rite I

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemporary - Rite II

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

READING from the Book of Genesis 12:1-4a

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.

PSALM 121

Levavi oculos (I lift up my eyes)

1. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills
from whence cometh my help.
2. My help cometh even from the Lord
who hath made heaven and earth.
3. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
4. Behold, he that keepeth Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5. The Lord himself is thy keeper
the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;
6. So that the sun shall not burn thee by day
neither the moon by night.
7. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil
yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
8. The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in
from this time forth for evermore.

READING from The Letter of Paul to the Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

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.

GOSPEL from The Gospel According to John 3:1-17

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,

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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, that 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.”

ANTHEM TEXT

Come, O thou traveler unknown Richard Webster

Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown,
Whom still I hold, but cannot see!
My company before is gone,
And I am left alone with Thee;
With Thee all night I mean to stay,
And wrestle till the break of day.
'Tis Love! 'tis Love! Thou diedst for me!
I hear Thy whisper in my heart;
The morning breaks, the shadows flee;
Pure, universal Love Thou art;
To me, to all, Thy mercies move;
Thy nature, and Thy name is Love.

Charles Wesley

If thou be near J.S. Bach

Sung in German
Bist du bei mir, geh ich mit Freuden
Zum Sterben und zu meiner Ruh.
Ach, wie vergnügt wär so mein Ende,
Es drückten deine schönen Hände
Mir die getreuen Augen zu.

English Translation

If you are with me, then I will go gladly
Unto death and to my rest.
Ah, how pleasing were my end,
If your dear hands then
Shut my faithful eyes!

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, as the Stewardship 2026 campaign winds down, there are many people to recognize for their contributions to the successful campaign? Thank you to the 300+ households who generously pledged. Thank you to the Stewardship Committee for their time and talents. Thank you to the Stewardship volunteers for their personalized outreach efforts. Thank you to Peter Vanderveen for his guidance. A special thank you to Ken Garner for being the cornerstone of Stewardship. Stewardship is truly a parish wide activity and sustains The Redeemer for the future.

Stewardship Committee: Chris Chojnacki *Chair*, Stephen Baker, Glenn Beamer, Ken Garner, Charles Merwin, Ryan Northington, Arden Saligman, Peter Vanderveen

And special thanks to our volunteer follow-up callers: Hope Knight, Eric Rabe, Tiffany O'Neill, Jim Jordan, Sally Moser, David Woods, Win Shafer, Tracy Steele, John Black, Paul Adkins, Danielle Trucksess

... Now that's Ministry and your Stewardship makes it happen!

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by: given by: Dr. Frank J. Richardson, Jr. in memory of: Shirley Richardson Scott.

SERVING THE PARISH

8:00am

Lector: Darrell DeMoss

Eucharistic Minister: Carter Williams

Altar Guild Team: Ann Strong, Mary Hopkins

Clergy: Jo Ann Jones-*Preacher*, Jeremy O'Neill-*Officiant-Celebrant*

Flower Guild: Jenny Kirkpatrick, Chris Chojnacki

Ushers: Julia & Darrell DeMoss

9:30am

Lector: Brook McCann

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Lee

Acolytes: Liam Ravenscroft, Catherine Zafiriou, Andrew Pozos,
Caroline Pozos, Sophia Scott, Wesley Scott.

Altar Guild Team: Ann Strong, Mary Hopkins

Choir: Sopranos of the Redeemer Choir & Choristers

Children's Chapel: Glenn Beamer,

Clergy: Jo Ann Jones-*Preacher*. Peter Vanderveen-*Officiant*,
Jeremy O'Neill-*Celebrant*

Eucharistic Visitor: Mike Thompson

Flower Guild: Jenny Kirkpatrick, Chris Chojnacki

Greeter: Jamen Voss

Director of Music & Organist: Andrew Senn

Organ Scholar: Daniel Colaner

Livestream Operator: Charlie Beamer

Ushers: TBD

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Nicholas Zafiriou