



# ST. JAMES

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## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**MARCH 7, 2021**  
Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30 am  
The Third Sunday In Lent

*Welcome to St. James. We are glad you are here. If you would like more information about St. James, please speak to an usher or fill out a visitors card and place it in the offering plate.*

# THE WORD OF GOD

## PRELUDE

Andante Cantabile, Felix Mendelssohn

## PROCESSIONAL

#636 How Firm a Foundation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: His mercy endures for ever.

*The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences*

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*

## The Decalogue *Kneel as able.*

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Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

*People: Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not make for yourself any idol. *(response)*

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God. *(response)*

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy. *(response)*

Honor your father and your mother. *(response)*

You shall not commit murder. *(response)*

You shall not commit adultery. *(response)*

You shall not steal. *(response)*

You shall not be a false witness. *(response)*

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor. *(response)*

## KYRIE

Hymnal p. S-95

Lord have mercy. *Lord have mercy.*

Christ have mercy. *Christ have mercy.*

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*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

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 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.*

## The Lessons

### Old Testament: Exodus 20:1-17

*The people sit.*

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.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People: Thanks be to God

## **The Psalm: 19**

- 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.

**The Gospel: John 2:13-22**

*All stand.*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: 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.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

**SERMON:**

**Fr. Jos Tharakan**

**THE NICENE CREED BCP p. 358**

*Celebrant and People*

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, FORM I

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*People respond after each prayer.*

People: Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

People: And also with you

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BIRTHDAY PRAYER

*Celebrant and People*

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

*Celebrant and People*

O gracious and everliving God, look mercifully on your children who come to renew the promises they have made to each other. Grant them your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their promises and vows; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

### OFFERTORY

Jesus Walked That Lonesome Valley;  
Bob Lanning, bass clarinet

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### EUCCHARISTIC 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 him thanks and praise  
Celebrant: It is right, and a good...your name:

## **SANCTUS Hymn S-130**

*Celebrant and People*

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...  
Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith,

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate...forever. *Amen.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER, BCP p. 364**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*Celebrant and People*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as 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, forever and ever. Amen.

## **FRACTION ANTHEM**

**Agnus Dei: S-164**

## **Spiritual Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant and People*

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Come spiritually into my heart and stay with me. I embrace You as You are already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)**

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And

now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## **BLESSING**

## **RECESSIONAL**

## **518 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation**

### **PEACE PRAYER: BCP p. 833**

*Celebrant and People*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

### **DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

## **POSTLUDE**

## **Deck Thyself in Gladness, Johannes Brahms**

### **Happy Birthday**

March 1st: Daniel Redden, March 3rd: Jim Colwell, March 4th: Sam Breid and Tammy Larimore, March 5th Carter Stuckey, March 6th: Dorothy Kaiser, March 8th: Fr. Jos and Asha Tharakan, March 9th: Kathleen Jackson, March 19th: Joanne Ibrahim, March 21st: Robert Jackson, March 23: Addison Stuckey and Destiny Zook-Monteleon, March 25th: Clara Rajek, March 26th: Vera Lynch and Andy Terry, March 28th; Astry Rivera-Amigon, March 29th: Greta Gourley

**Happy Anniversary** No anniversaries this month.

### **Prayers for Families This Week**

Kaiser, Kresser, Lamkins

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