



Lent I
Saturday, March 5, 2022

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Opening Hymn “Forty days and forty nights”

Hymnal 150

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever. *Amen.*

Celebrant: Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith. I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer and confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is then kept for a time, all kneeling.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: 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 WORD OF GOD

The celebrant and people remain kneeling.

THE COLLECT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: 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.*

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Reader: A reading from Deuteronomy.

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.

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Reader: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

People: He shall say to the LORD, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."

Reader: Because you have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

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

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

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

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

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

Reader: 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.

People: With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.

The Epistle: Romans 10:8b-13

Reader: A reading from the book of Romans.

"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.

Gospel Hymn "Oh love, how deep, how broad, how high"

Hymnal 448 (vs. 1-4)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 4:1-13

Narrator: 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,

Devil: "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread."

Narrator: Jesus answered him,

Jesus: "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Narrator: Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to Jesus,

Devil: "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: "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Devil: Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to Jesus, "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: "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Narrator: When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. "Larry" Packard

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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 VI

Reader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (*Silence*)

Reader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Reader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Reader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Reader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, the unemployed or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Reader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Reader: For our Presiding Bishop, and our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers; For our vestry, staff, lay leaders and clergy.

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Prayers for those on Our Prayer List

Reader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

All Those Afflicted by the Virus and Those Who Care for Them

Stephen Brown

Tisha Austin

Patrick Farragher

Althea Prins

Fred & John Warren

Stella Waltemeire

The Hollinger Family

Bob Stewart

TJ Hill

Russell & Lula

Candi & Taylor

Gwenivere Black

Evan Hansen

Laura Harrigan

Liam Ferguson

The Pisciotta Family

Reader: Are there other prayers?

The People may add their own petitions.

Reader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Reader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those with special ministries, especially:

Those Serving Our Country

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All First Responders

All Front Line Workers

All Hospital and Emergency Room Workers

Our Children, Our Schools, and Our Neighbors

Reader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Reader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Reader: Let us pray together for the Church of Our Redeemer.

Reader and People: Lord Jesus, we pray that you will give us ears to hear, hearts to love, and wills devoted to serve; that in the days to come this congregation may be known, not for our glory, but for yours alone – a congregation of people who know the Lord; that this place may be an oasis, a place where people come to find out about you, where lives are straightened out and made whole, where people find the peace that passes understanding. Give us, we pray, a heart to desire these things above all else. We pray through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

The Offertory

Announcements

The Presentation “Doxology”

Hymnal 380 (vs. 3)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

The Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
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."

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: 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. 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.*

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

Celebrant and People: 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

Celebrant: Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Covid Protocol Instructions for Receiving Holy Communion

1. *We are observing maximum safety measures practiced throughout our Diocese.*
2. *The Celebrant sanitizes his hands prior to the consecration of the elements and remains masked for the reading of the Eucharistic Prayer and distribution.*
3. *At the distribution, we ask that you come forward masked and socially distanced with no more than 3-4 people at the altar rail at a time.*
4. *Stand or kneel at the rail. Remove your mask. The Celebrant will drop the wafer into your hands. Partake the bread at the altar rail.*
5. *The Celebrant or Lay Eucharistic Minister will bring a tray of cups with wine to you. Take one and partake the wine at the altar rail.*
6. *Re-mask and place the cup in the receptacle on your way back to the pew.*
7. *Please wait until those who have received Communion return to their seats so that we avoid passing each other in the aisle.*

Post Communion Prayer

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.*

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: Remember that life is short and we have too little time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind...and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and those you love this day and forever more.

Closing Hymn “God is working his purpose out”

Hymnal 534

THE DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Please join us after service for a fellowship dinner in our parish hall.

LET US PRAY

If you have a Prayer Request, please email your request to our Prayer Chair, Bonnie Flippo at msflip925@aol.com. You may also contact the office by email redemeraldie@gmail.com or phone (703) 327-4060. Prayer Requests will be given to the Prayer Team so that they may pray for those in need. If you would like to include their name on our public prayer list, please let us know – only the name will appear on the public prayer list. If your request requires a more private nature, please contact Rev. Larry Packard by email l.packard@verizon.net or phone (703) 425-8315.