

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 9, 2025 AT 10:15 AM

All Are Welcome Here

*We are a welcoming, inclusive and affirming parish in the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina.
We seek to meet and serve Christ in all people and to glorify God in our words and our actions.*

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ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

*Know that you are most welcome, and we pray that you will return to worship with us again soon!
Please do us the honor of filling out a Welcome Card, either by scanning the QR code to the right
OR by filling out a physical card located in the pew rack and then placing it in the alms basin
during the offertory or handing it to an usher or to a member of the clergy as you leave today.
Thank you!*



Holy Eucharist: Rite II

This service bulletin is designed for use with the red or black Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the blue Hymnal 1982, both of which are located in the pew rack in front of you.

Voluntary

The Prayer before Worship

BCP, p. 833

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

On the first Sunday in Lent, the service begins with the Great Litany in procession.

The full text may be found on page 148 in the red Book of Common Prayer, and the music notation may be found in the front section of the blue Hymnal, S 67.

The Great Litany

BCP, p. 148 / Hymnal S 67

The Salutation

BCP, p. 355

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

The Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord 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. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Kids & Invitation to Children's Chapel & Godly Play

Children ages 4 to 5th grade are invited to listen for a brief introduction to the day's liturgy or lessons. They then depart for Godly Play, returning for the Eucharist.

The First Lesson

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Lector A reading from the Book of 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

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.

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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 Lesson

Romans 10:8b-13

Lector A reading from Saint Paul's second letter to the 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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: Christ, when for us you were baptized

Hymnal 121

The Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

Gospeler 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.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Mr. Harry Johnson

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days, *English folksong* Arr. Richard Shephard

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay. As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord, to die to self and chiefly live by thy most holy word. And through these day of penitence, and through thy Passintide, yea, evermore, in life and death, Jesus! with us abide.

Presentation Hymn: The glory of these forty days (verse 5)

Hymnal 143

O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, to thee be every prayer addressed,
who art in threefold Name adored, from age to age, the only Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy

Hymnal S 130

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.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 362 in the Book of Common Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP, p. 364

The Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God

Hymnal S 161

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

Invitation and Communion

All are invited to come forward during the sharing of Holy Communion.

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by drinking from the common cup? Please come to the left side (lectern side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs in the sacristy.

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by intinction (having a minister dip the host in wine and place it in your hand)? Please come to the right side (pulpit side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs by the baptismal font.

Where can I go to receive only the bread? Please come to either location and tell the server "only bread."

Where can I go to receive gluten-free bread? Please come to either location and ask for gluten free.

Where can I go to receive a blessing? Please come to either location and cross your arms over your chest.

How can I ask for communion to be brought to me? Please ask an usher to receive by intinction in your seat.

Communion Hymns:

All who love and serve your city

Hymnal 571

Now let us all with one accord

Hymnal 147

Sending Out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **Because we who are many are one body in Christ. We share one bread, one cup.**
Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

Common Prayer, The Church of England

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **God of all,**

**we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

The Prayer after Worship and The Blessing

BCP, p. 834

Celebrant Grant, we beseech you, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Eternal Lord of love, behold your church

Hymnal 149

The Dismissal

Voluntary

Please join us for Fellowship Time immediately following this worship service.

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Carol and John Monahan
in thanksgiving for our wedding anniversary.

Serving Today

Ushers	Kathryn DeShong and Peg Dorer
Verger	Ed Gavin
Acolytes	Jack Boyne, Libby Boyne, Arianna Zomorodi, and Benjamin Zomorodi
Lector	Todd Poston
Intercessor & Chalicist	Molly Propst
Livestream and Sound	Craig DeShong and Sam DeShong
Flower Guild	Judi Mathis and Lisa Jennings

The Church of the Good Shepherd Prayer List

Roy Wright; Catherine and Bob Williams; Janet Gilliam; Ralph Sanders; Pete Taylor;
Martha Bailey; Peggy Hawks; Darrell Dennis; Janie Ward-Newton; William Short; Paul Hoch;
Brinley Harris; Don Caudill; Jane Mayhew; Janet Watrous; Jerry Smith; Branch Alexander;
Kathy Acton; Gary Blaettler; John Newcome; Alan Lewis; Joe A.; Justin C.; Bob Kirchgessner;
Josephine Placa; The Newcome Family; The Fuller and Longerbeam Families;
the people of Israel, Palestine, and Lebanon; the people of Ukraine and Russia;
victims of gun violence; and those affected by drought, heat, floods, storms, and fires.

In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Philip's, Durham; St. Stephen's, Durham;
and St. Titus', Durham.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray The Anglican Church of Canada.

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