



St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
Port Townsend, Washington

## The First Sunday in Lent Year B



### Service of the Word

**February 21, 2021 - 9:30 am**

The Liturgy of the Word begins on page 355 of  
*The Book of Common Prayer*

#### The service begins:

#### The Great Litany

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire and flood; from violence, murder and dying unprepared,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment;  
**Savior, deliver us.**

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Bring into the way of truth to all who have erred and are deceived.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Give your wisdom and strength to Joseph, the President of the United States, Jay the Governor of this state and Michelle, the mayor of this town that in all good things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, those who serve in our state legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Bless the justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Bless and keep all your people.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us to share with them in your eternal glory.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

**O Christ, hear us.**

Celebrant  
People

God be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **The Collect**

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 Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **First Lesson      Genesis 9:8-17**

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again

become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

## **The Second Lesson      1 Peter 3:18-22**

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Priest or Deacon  
People

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark  
**Glory to you Lord Christ.**

## **The Gospel      Mark 1:9-15**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

People

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Dianne Andrews

## **The Nicene Creed**

**Pg. 358 BCP**

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 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 Peace

### Birthday Blessing

Watch over your 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 hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Offertory Sentence

In this moment, we take time virtually to pass the offering plate  
     that represents our gifts, our hopes, and our prayers  
 offered in gratitude to our Creator and in thanksgiving for this community.

**With grateful hearts, we give what we can.**

**In joyful hope, we give for what can be.**

*Your gifts are greatly appreciated.*

*On-line giving is always an option. You will find the "Give to St. Paul's" button  
 at the top of the St. Paul's website homepage: [www.stpaulspt.org](http://www.stpaulspt.org)*

**Anthem**

Gracious Father

Ludwig van Beethoven

**Psalm 25:1-9**

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

**Lenten Blessing**

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Worship Team**

Celebrant/Preacher	The Rev. Dianne Andrews
Deacon	The Rev. Lani Hubbard
Music Director	Jennifer Pipia
Lectors	David Neuenschwander Laurie Neuenschwander
Choir	David & Laurie Neuenschwander Stanley & Marlene Kropf Heather Kropf Jeremy Kropf Phina & Jenny Pipia
Flowers	Team 3
Technical Support	Beth Cahape

Closing Hymn

The glory of these forty days

Hymn #143



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
 2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
 3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
 4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
 \* 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



1 cel - e - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
 2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
 3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
 4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
 5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
 2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
 3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
 4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
 5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

Words: Latin, 6th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell (1862-1947), alt.  
 Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

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Dismissal

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