



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Second Sunday in Lent

8:30 and 10:30 am • March 16, 2025

ABBREVIATIONS: **BCP** Book of Common Prayer | **CG** A Child's Guide to the Holy Eucharist | **LEVAS II** Lift Every Voice and Sing II | **WLP** Wonder, Love and Praise | **EOW** Enriching our Worship

THE VOLUNTARY: O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig, BWV 618 J. S. Bach

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 143. The glory of these forty days *Erhalt uns, Herr*

A PENITENTIAL ORDER BCP 351

KYRIE ELEISON

8:30 Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

10:30 S 91, Healey Willan

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (10:30)

After the Children's Moment, the children aged 3–11 are invited to process out for Christian Formation time in Curry Hall, Room 201. They will return at the Peace.

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 15:1–12, 17–18

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 27:1–10. *Dominus illuminatio*

8:30 *We will recite the psalm antiphonally by whole verse, beginning with the Narthex side*

10:30 *The psalm will be sung by the choir.*

1 The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *
 it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who
 stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, *
 yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4 And though war should rise up against me, *
 yet will I put my trust in him.
- 5 One thing have I asked of the Lord;
 one thing I seek; *
 that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord *
 and to seek him in his temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe
 in his shelter; *
 he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
 and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head *
 above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
 with sounds of great gladness; *
 I will sing and make music to the Lord.
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; *
 have mercy on me and answer me.

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 3:17–4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Canon Lindsey Ardrey

Rev. Lindsey Ardrey will join our diocesan staff in May as the Canon Missioner for Diocesan Reparations and Restitution Ministry, where her work will support the Diocese's mission strategy priority of racial reckoning, justice, and healing. Ardrey comes to North Carolina by way of New Orleans, where she co-chaired the Diocese of Louisiana's Commission on Racial Reconciliation (now named the Commission for Racial Healing).

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant As we gather in prayer, let us breathe out those things which keep us from God, and breathe in that which brings us closer to the divine.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

The Lord has done great things for us, **and we are glad indeed.**

Guide the people of this land in the ways of justice and peace; that we may see the face of God in the other, lift up the lowly, and make your Kingdom a reality here.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, **like the watercourses of the Negev.**

Comfort and heal all those in our community who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Alice, Bear, Betty, Bill, Cheryl, Eva, Ilia, Jan, Jane, Karen, Margaret,

Marion, Maxine, and Shari. We pray also for those who are struggling to find work, who are fearful in this time of upheaval, and those who are under attack because of who they are or who they love.

Those who sowed with tears **will reap with songs of joy.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours — including Danielle, Emma, Evonne, Florence, Gemma, Geralyn, Grace, Jane, Jeff, Jer, John, Kate, Keili, Lori, Mary Kay, Michael, Paul, Rosalie, Roy, Sam, Sandy, Sara, Shannon, Shannon, and Tim — and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

The Lord has done great things for us, **and we are glad indeed.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, **like the watercourses of the Negev.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died — especially Stetson Montez, Debbie Holland, James Emmons, Carl Bumgardner, and Pat Vella Kinaly — that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Those who sowed with tears **will reap with songs of joy.**

Bless all those expecting a child — especially Hannah and David, Juliana and Jonathan, Corey and Michael, and Catie and Steve. We give thanks for the birth of Bailey, child of Laura and Michael and grandchild of Robin and Mike Rhaney.

The Lord has done great things for us, **and we are glad indeed.**

THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM: God Is My Strong Salvation

Richard Shepherd

God is my strong salvation; no enemy I fear; he hears my supplication, dispelling all my care; if he, my head and master, defend me from above, what pain or what disaster can part me from his love? I fully am persuaded, and joyfully declare, I'm never left unaided, my Father hears my prayer. His comforts never fail me, He stands at my right hand; when tempests fierce assail me, they're calm at his command. The ground of my profession is Jesus and his blood. He giveth me

possession of everlasting good. to me his spirit speaketh many a precious word of rest to him who seeketh a refuge in the Lord. My merry heart is springing, it can no more be sad; with laughter and with singing, in God's own sunshine glad. For Christ is now preparing his City new and bright; where saints his throne are sharing, and faith is turned to sight.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Wondrous Love

To Fath-er, Son and Dove I will sing, I will sing.
 To God, who reigns a - bove, I will sing.
 For Christ— who, here be - low— did in the wil-der-ness go,
 to fast and pray; and so I will sing, I will sing.
 Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

SANCTUS

8:30 BCP 362

10:30 S 114, Healey Willan

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Traditional Version

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FRACTION ANTHEM:

8:30 Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

10:30 S 158, Healey Willan

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servant in thy displeasure; for we confess our sins unto thee and hide not our unrighteousness. For thy mercy's sake, deliver us from all our sins.

THE SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I 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 **We who are many are one body,
because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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**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 SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE FINAL HYMN: 495. Hail, thou once despised Jesus

In Babilone

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the People, and the People respond

Thanks be to God.

THE VOLUNTARY: 'Final' from *L'École d'Orgue*

J.-N. Lemmens



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We thank the following people for their service today:

CELEBRANT	The Rev. Grey Maggiano
PREACHER	The Rev. Canon Lindsey Ardrey
MUSICIANS (10:30)	Bradley Burgess, Organist and Choirmaster The Nativity Choir
LECTORS	Ed Hughes (8:30) Waltye Rasulala, Rick Burts, Arrin Dutton (10:30)
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Rene Garces (8:30) Davis Dutton and George Douglas (10:30)
CRUCIFER (10:30)	Helen Armstrong
TORCHES (10:30)	Logan Lee and Vance Dutton
BANNER (10:30)	Liam Clay
ALTAR GUILD	Robin Rhaney, Julia Cavalier, Mary Hillmer
GREENS & FLOWERS	Emilie Sigel and Shari Knox
LIVESTREAM (10:30)	Jesse Lee
VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE	Sarah O'Connor
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