

# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## THE HOLY EUCHARIST: A Penitential Order—Rite Two

The Second Sunday in Lent    March 5, 2023—11:00am

**Voluntary** "Adagio" from Sonata No. 1 (Op. 65)

Felix Mendelssohn

**Hymn in Procession # 401** (*in The Hymnal 1982*) The God of Abraham praise  
(*All Standing, as able.*)

Leoni

### The Penitential Acclamation

**Celebrant:**    Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People:**        *His mercy endures forever.*

### The Confession

**Celebrant:**    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.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(*All kneel, as able.*)

**All:**            *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.*

**Lord, have mercy #S 96** (*The front of The Hymnal 1982*)

*Kyrie eleison*

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, - have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy.  
Christ have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord have  
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - - cy.

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: 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.*

## The Lessons

### The First Reading

Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

### Psalm 121 (*Verses sung by choir; congregation sings refrain as indicated*)

#### Refrain



My help comes from the Lord,



the mak-er of heav-en and earth.

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*  
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth. (**Refrain**)
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved \*  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*  
shall neither slumber nor sleep; (**Refrain**)
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; \*  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*  
nor the moon by night. (**Refrain**)
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \*  
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*  
from this time forth for evermore. (**Refrain**)

### The Second Reading

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say?

“Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**Gradual Hymn # 147** (*The Hymnal 1982*) Now let us all with one accord  
(*All Standing, as able.*)

*Bourbon*

### **The Gospel**

John 3:1-17

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, O Christ.*

### **The Sermon**

*The Rev. Dr. Dustin Trowbridge*

### **The Nicene Creed** (*All Stand, as able*)

All: *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 V**

*(found in The Book of Common Prayer, p. 398)*

*Subdeacon:* In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here, and after every petition, the People respond with:*

**“Lord, have mercy.”**

*(The Subdeacon continues with the petitions....)*

...Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

**To you, O Lord our God.**

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds the following Doxology*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**The Peace**

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

*People:* *And also with you.*

*(Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.)*

**Announcements**

# The Holy Communion

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with an Offertory Sentence.*

*The people's offerings are collected during the Anthem, and brought to the Altar during the Presentation Hymn.*

## Offertory Anthem

God so loved the world that he sent his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. Amen.

Music: John Stainer

Text: John 3:16-17

## Presentation Hymn

*Woodslake*

*(All standing, as able)*

1. As pant - ing deer de - sire the wa - ter - brooks  
2. Both day and night my tears have been my food,  
3. Why are you heav - y - heart - ed, O my soul?

when wan - dering in a dry and des - ert place, so yearns my thirs - ty soul for  
while scof - fers taunt me, "Where is your God now?" My soul dis - solves as I re -  
And why are you so mired in deep dis - cord? Still put your hope and trust in

you, O God, and longs at last to see you face to face.  
call the throng whose pil - grim hymns I led to Zi - on's brow.  
God a - lone, whom I will praise, my Sav - ior and my Lord.

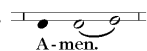
The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 7/8 time. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part consists of a right-hand treble clef and a left-hand bass clef. The score is divided into three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The score ends with a double bar line.



All: *We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.*

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.



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

### The Lord's Prayer

All: *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, forever and ever. Amen.*

### The Breaking of the Bread

*(The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.)*

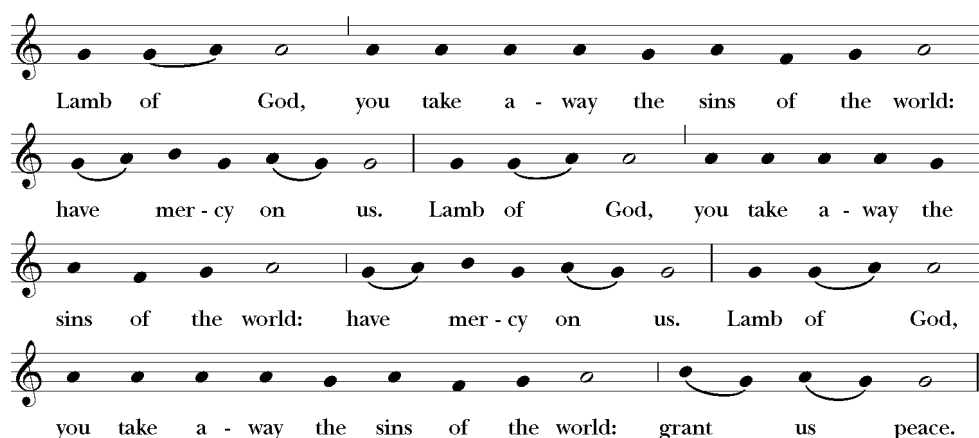
Celebrant:   
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People:   
There-fore let us keep the feast.

### Fraction Anthem #S 160

*Agnus Dei*

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Mason  
Martens



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

### The Invitation to Communion

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.

## The Communion of the People

### Communion Anthem

Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes to the mountains, whence cometh help.  
Thy help cometh from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.  
He hath said, thy foot shall not be moved. Thy Keeper will never slumber.

Music: Felix Mendelssohn  
Text: Psalm 121

**Communion Hymn #337** (*The Hymnal 1982*) And now, O Father, mindful of the love *Unde et memores*  
(*Sung by all*)

### Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*All: 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

Celebrant: Bow down before the Lord.

*(The people kneel, as able.)*

Celebrant: 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 Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**Hymn in Procession # 473** (*The Hymnal 1982*)  
(*All Standing, as able*)

*Crucifer*

**VOLUNTARY** Chorale Prelude on *Herzlich tut mich verlangen*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

*In each of the five Sundays in Lent, the concluding voluntary is a setting of the Passion Chorale (“O sacred head, sore wounded” – Hymn #168, The Hymnal 1982). Perhaps most recognized throughout J. S. Bach’s St. Matthew Passion, the original Latin text is attributed to the medieval poet Arnulf of Leuven (d. 1250) and the tune, written by Hans Leo Hassler, first appeared in print in 1601. The five variations presented throughout Lent represent distinct stylistic and period interpretations from the Baroque, Classical and Romantic eras and with two 20<sup>th</sup> century interpretations.*