# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST: A Penitential Order—Rite Two

The Third Sunday in Lent March 12, 2023–11:00am

Voluntary "Benedictus"

Alec Rowley (1892-1958)

I bring refreshment I bring ease and calm. (C. Rossetti)

**Hymn in Procession** # **686** (in The Hymnal 1982) Come, thou fount of every blessing (All Standing, as able.)

Nettleton

## 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



## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

### The Lessons

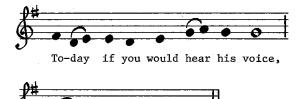
The First Reading Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.* 

# Psalm 95:6-11 (Verses sung by choir; congregation sings refrain as indicated)

## Refrain



hard-en not your hearts.

- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \* and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \* Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice! *(Refrain)*
- 8 Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did in the wilderness, \* at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test, \* though they had seen my works. *(Refrain)*
- 10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said, \*
  "This people are wayward in their hearts; they do not know my ways."
- 11 So I swore in my wrath, \*
  "They shall not enter into my rest." (*Refrain*)

The Second Reading Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.* 

**Gradual Hymn # 455** (*The Hymnal 1982*) O Love of God, how strong and true (*All Standing, as able.*)

Dunedin

The Gospel John 4:5-42

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

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.* 

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples

said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

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**

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks :so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God:

when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

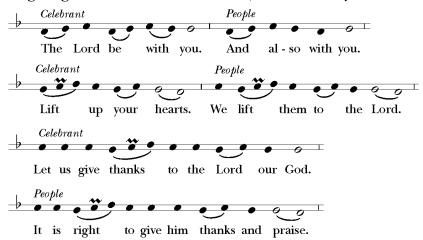
Music: Herbert Howells

**Presentation Hymn #399** (in The Hymnal 1982) To God with gladness sing (All standing, as able)

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## The Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer B, The Book of Common Prayer, p. 367)

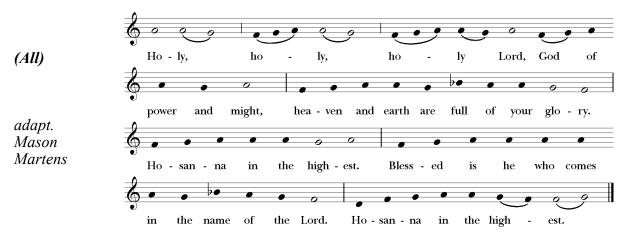


Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

#### Sanctus #S 122

Holy, holy, holy Lord



Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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.

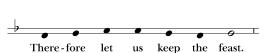
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread

(The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.)



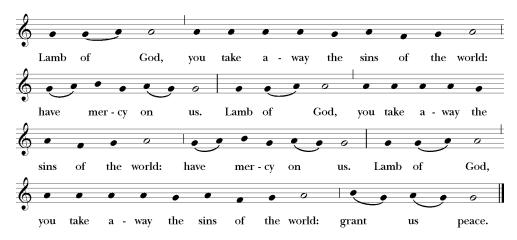
People:



### Fraction Anthem #S 160

Agnus Dei





### 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**

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Music: Thomas Mudd (d.1667)

Communion Hymn #685 (The Hymnal 1982) Rock of ages, cleft for me (Sung by all)

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## **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: Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be

governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. Amen

### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord *People:* Thanks be to God.

**Hymn in Procession** # **390** (*The Hymnal 1982*) God of Grace and God of Glory (*All Standing, as able*)

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

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

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.