

March 20, 2022 The Third Sunday in Lent 10:45am

Welcome

Opening Songs

I wanna be close close to Your side So Heaven is real and death is a lie I wanna hear voices of angels above

Singing as one

Let us praise Him, Holy holy God Almighty great I Am Who is worthy none beside Thee God Almighty great I Am

I wanna be near near to Your heart Loving the world hating the dark I wanna see dry bones living again Singing as one

Let us praise Him, Holy holy

The Great I Am

God Almighty great I Am Who is worthy none beside Thee God Almighty great I Am

The mountains shake before You
The demons run and flee
At the mention of Your name King of majesty
There is no pow'r in hell or any who can stand
Before the power and the Presence of the great I
Am
The great I Am

Let us praise Him, Holy holy God Almighty great I Am Who is worthy none beside Thee God Almighty great I Am!

Come Thou Fount

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise mine Ebenezer Hither by Thy help I'm come And I hope by Thy good pleasure Safely to arrive at home Jesus sought me when a stranger Wand'ring from the fold of God He to rescue me from danger Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above!

A Penitential Order

Clergy Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not make for yourself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them, nor worship them.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

Honor your father and your mother.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not commit murder.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not commit adultery.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not steal.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not be a false witness against your neighbor.

Lord have mercy on us, and move our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Lord have mercy on us, and write all these laws on our hearts, we pray.

Clergy

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8,9

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

Priest

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.**

Collect of the Day

Clergy The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Clergy Let us pray.

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.**

Reading Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you," and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, I am has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

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

Psalm 63:1-8

- O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.
- Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, that I might behold your power and your glory.
- For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; my lips shall give you praise.
- So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your Name.
- My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- When I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the night watches.
- For you have been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
- My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

Gospel Song

Every Promise

From the breaking of the dawn
To the setting of the sun
I will stand on every promise of Your Word

Through this dark and troubled land You will guide me with Your hand As I stand on every promise of Your Word

Grace sufficient, grace for me Grace for all who will believe We will stand on every promise of Your Word.

Holy Gospel Luke 13:1-9

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that very time there were some present who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and

found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

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

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Brian Konkol

The Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

Leader:

Let us return with all our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Silence

Lord Christ, we pray for your church around the globe, for our neighbors in other faith communities, and for all who long to hear your voice. In this diocese, we pray for our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe; and the people of Trinity Episcopal Church in Fayetteville and their priest, the Very Rev. Dr. Renée Tembeckjian. We also pray for the people of All Saints' Episcopal Church in Fulton and their priest, the Rev. Dr. Leon Mozeliak, Jr. In our Companion Diocese of El Salvador, we pray for the memory of Archbishop Oscar Romero and the Martyrs of El Salvador. In the Episcopal Church, we pray for our Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Michael Curry; and the people of the Diocese of Southern Ohio and their Bishop Provisional, the Rt. Rev. George Wayne Smith. And in the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico and their acting prime bishop, the Rt. Rev. Enrique Treviño Cruz. In your mercy, Lord; hear us as we pray.

We pray that in the wilderness of the world the church may be the rock of God, providing the waters of life to all who thirst. In your mercy, Lord; **hear us as we pray.**

That all people will tend to the healing of your creation, so the whole earth provides abundantly for generations yet to come. In your mercy, Lord; hear us as we pray.

That those who control worldly power and shape human wisdom may attend to the law of God and respond to the needs of the lowly. In your mercy, Lord; hear us as we pray.

That nations share resources of food and medicine and knowledge, and so transform the earth from a battlefield into a garden of peace. In your mercy, Lord; hear us as we pray.

That those who face insult or degradation because of race, religious belief, sexual orientation, or political conviction, may be supported by disciples of the Lord. In your mercy, Lord; hear us as we pray.

That those who are struggling with illness or addiction, or are homebound, or facing surgery, may find you to be a source of healing and strength. Especially we name, either silently or aloud ______. In your mercy, Lord; hear us as we pray.

That the departed who have gone to their rest, may hear the voice of Jesus calling them forth to life and resurrection, especially those we name silently or aloud _______. In your mercy, Lord; hear us as we pray.

Clergy:

Almighty and eternal God, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Clergy The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year.

Adapted from Patrick, c.389 - c.46

Offertory

O Praise the Name

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb The entrance sealed by heavy stone Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God

O praise His Name forevermore For endless days we will sing Your praise Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

O praise the Name of the Lord our God O praise His Name forevermore For endless days we will sing Your praise Oh Lord oh Lord our God

He shall return in robes of white The blazing sun shall pierce the night And I will rise among the saints My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face O praise the Name of the Lord our God O praise His Name forevermore For endless days we will sing Your praise Oh Lord oh Lord our God Oh Lord oh Lord our God!

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

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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.

Great Thanksgiving Continues

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The Lord's Prayer

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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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

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The Communion

Music at Communion

Remember Me

Remember me (Remember me)
As you eat this bread (As you eat this bread)
Remember why I gave my life for you
Remember me (Remember me)
As you drink this cup (As you drink this cup)
Remember why I shed my life for you

There was no other way to show my love than Giving my life for you When you come together, gathered in this place Share with one another the wonder of my mercy and grace

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Remember me (Remember me)
And my love for you (And my love for you)
Remember me and I will remember you!

The Postcommunion Prayer

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.

Blessing

Closing Song

Your Great Name

Lost are saved, find their way, at the sound of Your great name All condemned, feel no shame, at the sound of Your great name

Every fear, has no place, at the sound of Your great name The enemy, he has to leave, at the sound of Your great name

Jesus,
worthy is the lamb that was slain for us,
son of God and man
You are high and lifted up,
that all the world will praise Your great name

All the weak, find their strength, the sound of Your great name Hungry souls, receiving grace, at the sound of Your great name The fatherless, they find their rest, at the sound of Your great name

Sick are healed, and the dead are raised, at the sound of Your great name

Jesus,
worthy is the lamb that was slain for us,
son of God and man
You are high and lifted up,
that all the world will praise Your great name
Your great name

Redeemer, my healer, lord almighty Defender, my savior, You are my king Redeemer, my healer, lord almighty Defender, my savior, You are my king

Jesus,
worthy is the lamb that was slain for us,
son of God and man
You are high and lifted up,
that all the world will praise Your great name
Your great name!

Dismissal

Ushers

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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