

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Second Sunday in Lent
March 5, 2023

8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



*Detail of Christ and Nicodemus
Tiffany Studios*

If you wish to light a prayer candle, they are located on the right side as you enter the Sanctuary.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Jesu, Meine Zuversicht
Trish Rooney, organ

Walther

Processional Hymn

The God of Abraham praise

Hymn #401

(standing)

The Salutation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: *His mercy endures for ever.*

The Decalogue: Contemporary

(stand as you are able)

Celebrant: Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

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

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: Honor your father and your mother. Amen.

Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14,16

Confession

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(you may kneel or be seated)

People: 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: **A**lmighty 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.*

Trisagion *(spoken at 8:00 a.m.)*

*Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.*

(sung at 10:30 a.m.)

The Holy Eucharist
Holy God *Trisagion*

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Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Collect for 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.*

The Lessons

Old Testament

A Reading from Genesis

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

S 414 Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)

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Psalm 121

- 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.
- 3 He will not let your foot be / moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall a-/sleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over / Israel *
shall neither slumber nor / sleep;
- 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.
- 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 ever-/more.

Epistle

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

The great Creator of the worlds

Hymn #489

(stand as you are able)

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

John 3:1-17

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.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Douglas Rogers, Deacon

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A moment of silence is observed after the sermon

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.*

The Prayers of the People

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.

Lord, have mercy

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Paula our Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For those in positions of public trust especially Joseph our president and JB our governor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this congregation, for those who are present, for those who are absent, for those celebrating birthdays, especially *Maria Mendia (03/05)*; that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors, especially the victims of gun violence, the victims of the earthquakes in Syria and Turkey, Nancy, Kylla, Ann, Linnea, Patrick, Lee, and Millie; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the people of Ukraine, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Cindy, Molly, and Patricia, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and 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

Celebrant: 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 and Announcements

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Anthem

God So Loved the World

Stainer

*God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,
That whoso 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.*

(spoken at 8:00 a.m.)

Offertory Response

Celebrant: All things come of thee O Lord.

People: *And of thine own have we given thee.*

(sung at 10:30 a.m.)

Offertory Response

Hymn #143

vs. 5

*O Father, Son, and Spirit bless, to thee be every prayer addressed,
Who art in threefold name adored, from age to age, the only Lord.*

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

b *Celebrant* *People*
 The Lord be with you. And also with you.

b *Celebrant* *People*
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

b *Celebrant*
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

b *People*
 It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: **I**t is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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 *(spoken at 8:00 a.m.)*

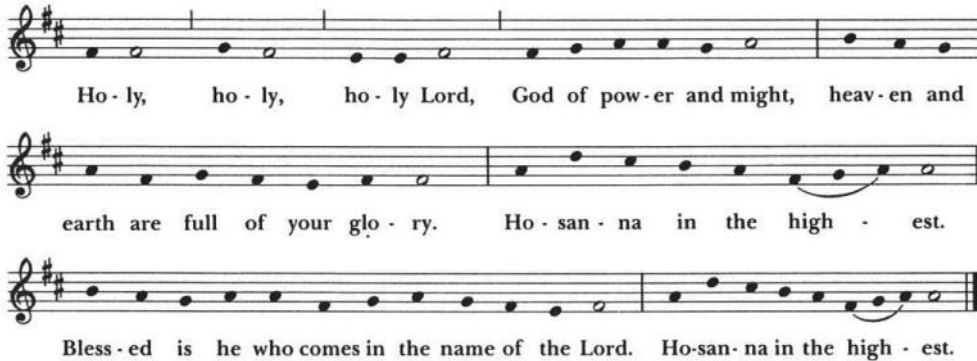
*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest. (†) Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

(sung at 10:30 a.m.)

The Holy Eucharist II Holy, holy, holy Lord Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(kneeling or seated)

Celebrant: **H**oly and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.*

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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. AMEN.

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

Lord's Prayer

*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.*

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei *(spoken at 8:00 a.m.)*

Celebrant and People:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

(sung at 10:30 a.m.)

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The Holy Eucharist II

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

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.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion Solo

Aria in F

Dixon

Communion Hymn

Let thy Blood in mercy poured

Hymn #313

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

*E*ternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing (†)

(standing)

Recessional Hymn

Lift high the cross

Hymn #473

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Postlude

Fantasia on Leoni

Dixon

Wednesdays during Lent

11:30 a.m. Stations of the Cross and Holy Eucharist

Lunch and a discussion in the Undercroft with Lenten program "Living Well Through Lent"

Note about the cover:

The talented Frederick Wilson designed and painted this window.

The artist used copper foil to create the detailed design of the leaves and flowers. With this technique, the artist first cuts copper sheets into very thin pieces. He applies the copper lines to the edges of the glass pieces and then solders them together along the length of the seams. The copper foil perfectly follows the glass line, allowing the artist to stay true to the original design. In contrast, lead creates a more streamlined effect. This technique was used most often with landscapes.

In this window, Tiffany created spectacular contrasts. Gold glass surrounded by dark glass creates the beautiful glow of the lantern. Christ is imbued with a rich glow in the foreground, while Nicodemus recedes into shadows. The cross above them further illuminates the nighttime setting. The predominately gold side panels hint at the coming dawn. The artist also juxtaposed the commanding figure of Jesus with the hesitant and more diminutive Nicodemus.

The gold light emanating from the lantern creates a three-dimensional effect.

Announcements

Book Club will meet Tuesday, March 14th at 7pm on Zoom. Book group will read “Being Mortal” by Atul Gawande. In his bestselling books, Atul Gawande, a practicing surgeon, has fearlessly revealed the struggles of his profession. Here he examines its ultimate limitations and failures—in his own practices as well as others’—as life draws to a close. Riveting, honest, and humane, Being Mortal shows how the ultimate goal is not a good death but a good life—all the way to the very end.

Support Relief Efforts in Syria and Turkey: Please go to www.support.episcopalrelief.org/syria-turkey-earthquake to make a donation.

A small group of knitters at Talcott Free Library in Rockton have embarked on a project. We are knitting Chemo Hats for cancer patients at the three Rockford hospitals. If you want to join us, here are the basic hat requirements. They need to be very soft, so acrylic or cotton is best. They also need to be washable. The hospitals need hats for men and women ages 18 and up.

Many patterns are available for free online. Search for Chemo Hats. As knitters, we’re finding we have many odd bits and unused skeins in our stash at home that will be excellent. If you need patterns or yarn or have any questions, you can contact Michelle at the library or Kay Hatch, hatch_ks@yahoo.com.

We haven’t yet decided on a finish and donation date, but we will keep you posted. Thank you in advance for any contributions you can make.

Ladies Tea: The Tea Luncheon is planned for April 22 from 1-3 pm.

Pastoral Care: If you or someone you know would like a visit from the clergy, please get in touch with the office.

The Dining Out Group will do lunch at The Sahara at 11:30 on Thursday, March 23. The Sahara is a small Mediterranean restaurant tucked immediately to the right of Valley Produce on East State Street. Call Mary Nielsen for a reservation at 815-654-8995. Hope to see you there.

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Assisting in the Liturgy

8:00 a.m. Lector: Kyla Chapman-Neal

10:30 a.m. Crucifer/Server: Stacey LaRosa
Old Testament: Travis Castrey
Epistle: Jody Nerhood Edwards
Prayers of the People: Stacey LaRosa
Altar Guild: Gale Degner
Ushers: Lou & Karen Matjasko

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