**the third sunday in lent**

**March 7, 2021 10:30 a.m.**

**Prelude:** “Noël I (excerpt)” *Louis-Claude Daquin (1694 - 1772)*

 *(Kind Maker of the world, O hear)*

 *Wayne Hatwich, Organist*

**Opening Hymn:** “Christ is made the sure foundation ” **Hymn #518**

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| 1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one; holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.
 | 1. To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today; with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.
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| 1. Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ever with the blessèd to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.
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**The Salutation**

Celebrant:Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People: His mercy endures for ever.*

**The Decalogue: Contemporary**

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.*

**The Confession**

*Officiant:* Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and

 with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his

 infinite goodness and mercy.

*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.*

*The Priest alone stands and says*

**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.*

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**A**lmighty 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.*

**Lenten Verse:** “My Song is Love Unknown”  **Hymn #458**

 *Vocalist: Rachel Schmitt* v. 2, 3

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| 1. He came from his blest throne salvation to bestow, but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know. But O my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend.
 | 1. Sometimes they strew his way, and his strong praises sing, resounding all the day hosannas to their King. Then “Crucify!” is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
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**The Lessons**

**Old Testament**

**A Reading from Exodus** *Exodus 20:1-17*

**T**hen God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**The Word of the Lord**

*People: Thanks be to God*

**Psalm 19**

*1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*
and the firmament shows his handiwork.*

*2 One day tells its tale to another, \*
and one night imparts knowledge to another.*

*3 Although they have no words or language, \*
and their voices are not heard,*

*4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*
and their message to the ends of the world.*

*5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.*

*6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; \*
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.*

*7 The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul; \*
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.*

*8 The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the heart; \*
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.*

*9 The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for ever; \*
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.*

*10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, \*
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.*

*11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*
and in keeping them there is great reward.*

*12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*
cleanse me from my secret faults.*

*13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; \*
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.*

*14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, \*
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.*

**New Testament**

**A Reading from Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians** *1 Corinthians 1:18-25*

**T**he message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

**The Word of the Lord.**

*People: Thanks be to God*

**Gradual Hymn:** “Kind Maker of the world, O hear” **Hymn #152**

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| 1. Kind Maker of the world, O hear the fervent prayer, with many a tear poured forth by all the penitent who keep this holy fast of Lent!
 | 1. Each heart is manifest to thee; thou knowest our infirmity; now we repent, and seek thy face; grant unto us thy pardoning grace.
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| 1. Grant, O thou blessed Trinity; grant, O unchanging Unity; that this our fast of forty days may work our profit and thy praise!
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**The Gospel**

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John**  *John 2:13-22*

*Glory to you, Lord Christ*

**T**he Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!” His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

 The Gospel of the Lord.

 *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Sermon**  The Reverend Diane Tomlinson

**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.*

Deacon:Today as we gather in our Father’s house, let us earnestly pray to God whose steadfast love embraces all generations.For God’s temple throughout the world, and for the holy people who gather in the name of Christ.

*After a period of silence, the leader concludes each bidding by saying*

Lord, hear us.

*People: Lord, graciously hear us.*

**F**or this parish of Emmanuel, that we may be faithful to our mission and respond to the spiritual needs of those around us with compassion, joy, and truth.

**F**or those throughout the Church who await new birth in the waters of baptism.

**F**or all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families especially those celebrating birthdays Jordan *Neal (03/11).*

**F**or the victims of greed and violence, and for all who are in need, especially Mary, Maryanne, Owen, Nick, Rich, Sam, Patrick, Sean, Trish, Dorothy, Fran, and Bob and family.

**F**or those who rest in the peace of Christ, and for all the departed.

**F**or our city and community, and for all those we love.

Celebrant: **B**lessed are you, God of power and wisdom, for you gave us Christ crucified, Christ raised from

 the dead. Receive the prayers we offer this day for us in our weakness
 and for all peoples everywhere. Glory to you for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**The Peace**

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

 *People: And also with you.*

**Offertory Hymn:** “Now quit your care” **Hymn #145**

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| 1. Now quit your care and anxious fear and worry; for schemes are vain and fretting brings no gain. Lent calls to prayer, to trust and dedication; God brings new beauty nigh; reply, reply, reply with love to love most high; reply, reply, reply with love to love most high.
 | 1. For righteousness and peace will show their faces to those who feed the hungry in their need, and wrongs redress, wo build the old waste places, and in the darkness shine. Divine, divine, divine it is when all combine! Divine, divine, divine it is when all combine!
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| 1. Then shall your light break forth as doth the morning; your health shall spring, the friends you make shall bring God’s glory bright, your way through life adorning; and love shall be the prize. Arise, arise, arise! and make a paradise! Arise, arise, arise! and make a paradise!
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**THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE**

*(The people stand as the bread and wine are presented at the altar. Then they may be seated.)*

**Celebrant:**All things come of thee O Lord.

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

*(standing)*

**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.*

*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. 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:

*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.*

*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.*

**W**e 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**

**Celebrant:**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:**Therefore let us keep the feast.*

**Celebrant:**  The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Communion Hymn**: “Come with us, O blessed Jesus” **Hymn #336** v. 1, 3

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| 1. Come with us, O blessed Jesus, with us evermore to be; and though leaving now thine altar, let us nevermore leave thee. Be thou one with use for ever, in our life thy love divine our own flesh and blood has taken and to us thou givest thine.
 | 1. Come with us, O King of glory, by angelic voices praised; in our hearts as in thy heaven, be enraptured anthems raised. Let the mighty chorus ever sing its glad exultant songs; let its hymn be heard for ever peace for which creation longs.
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**Postcommunion Prayer**

**Celebrant:**Let us pray.

**Celebrant** **and People:**

 *Eternal 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 (†)**

**Closing Hymn:** “Hail, thou once despised Jesus” **Hymn #495**

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| 1. Hail, thou once despised Jesus! Hail, thou Galilean King! Thou didst suffer to release us; thou didst free salvation bring. Hail, thou universal Savior, bearer of our sin and shame! By thy merit we find favor: life is given through thy Name.
 | 1. Paschal Lamb, by God appointed, all our sins on thee were laid: by almighty love anointed, thou hast full atonement made. All thy people are forgiven through the virtue of thy blood: opened is the gate of heaven,

reconciled are we with God. |
| 1. Worship, honor, power, and blessing thou art worthy to receive; highest praises, without ceasing, right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright angelic spirits, all your noblest anthems raise; help to sing our Savior's merits, help to chant Emmanuel's praise!
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**Postlude:** “Noël I (excerpt)" *Louis-Claude Daquin (1694 - 1772)*

 *(Kind Maker of the world, O hear)*

 **Announcements**

**Currently at the church**, 50 people are able to attend the 10:30 am service, in keeping with diocesan guidelines. Please call or email the church office at churchoffice@emmanuelrockford.org to reserve a spot.

**Calendar of Upcoming Events!**

   Services are broadcast on Facebook, and you do not need an account to view them.

**Book Club:** The group meets on March 23rd at 7 pm via zoom. March’s book is “Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents” by Isabel Wilkerson.

**Lenten Series**: The program, “The Day the Revolution Began” led by N.T. Wright will meet on Zoom February 24th through March 31st at 7 pm.

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 **Assisting in the Liturgy**

 **10:30 a.m. Cruicifer: Stacey LaRosa**

 **Reader 1: Judy Schnauffer**

 **Reader 2: Theresa Sinks**

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