Second of Lent — March 13, 2022

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Confession and Absolution

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C Amen**
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name.
- C Amen
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,
- We are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen

Opening Hymn

"Restore Us, O God"

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Apostolic Greeting

- L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Kyrie

- L In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C Lord have mercy.
- L For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord have mercy.
- L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C Lord have mercy.
- L For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

 C Lord have mercy.
- L Help, save, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

- And also with you. C
- Let us pray: God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen**

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

¹After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." ⁸But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" ⁹He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other, but he did not cut the birds in two. 11 And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹²As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying

darkness descended upon him.

¹⁷When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates." Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C Thanks be to God!



Psalm 27

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then | shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? ²When evildoers close in against me to de- ¹ vour my flesh, they, my foes and my enemies, will stum- ble and fall. ³Though an army encamp against me, my heart | will not fear. Though war rise up against me, my trust will | not be shaken. ⁴One thing I ask of the LORD; one I thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God | in the temple. ⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up- on a rock. ⁶Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies ^l who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music | to the LORD. ⁷Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and | answer me. ⁸My heart speaks your message— | "Seek my face." Your face, O LORD, I will seek. ⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- | vant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of | my salvation. ¹⁰Though my father and my moth- er forsake me, the LORD will | take me in. ¹¹Teach me your | way, O LORD; lead me on a level path, because of | my oppressors.

¹²Subject me not to the will | of my foes,

for they rise up against me, false witnesses breathing violence.

¹³This I believe—that I will see the goodness of the LORD

in the land | of the living!

¹⁴Wait for the LORD and be strong.

Take heart and wait | for the LORD!

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1

¹⁷Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. 18 For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. 19 Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. 4:1 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God C

Holy Gospel according to Luke in the 13th chapter. C Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³²He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' ³⁴Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Sermon

Anthem Senior Choir

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the People

- Let us pray for God's providential care in times of uncertainty.
- AM For all who need reassurance in the face of turbulent events, Lord in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.
- AM For those who cause harm, we ask for changed hearts. For those who experience harm, we ask for protection and release, Lord in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.
- AM For all the human family, that our common bonds may overcome our misuse of power, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For any needs you now lift in silence or out loud.... Lord in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.
- L For all these and any other needs, we offer our prayers in the name of Christ, our Lord. **C** Amen.



The Great Thanksgiving

- L The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.
- L Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.
- L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- L It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Sanctus

- C 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.
- In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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

Communion

Please open and receive your communion elements at this time.

Wrappers can be left in the wastebaskets on your way out.

- P Come to the banquet, for all is now ready. The Body of Christ, given for you.
- C Amen.
- P The Blood of Christ, shed for you. **C Amen.**
- P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.

 C Amen

Post Communion Prayer

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen**

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you, and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn "O Jesus, I have Promised"

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AM Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors.

C Amen.

Postlude

When you depart, please exit through the door marked "Exit," moving through the narthex and to your cars while maintaining a safe distance from your fellow Christians.

Please exit from the back pews first as directed by the ushers.

Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Jimmy Abbott Laurie Abbott John & Francine Ahrens Chuck Andersen Irene Barillaro Elana Barkasy Raymond Bazzolo Karen Bell Jim Bement Rebecca Bement Armando Binelli Eli Boda Lisa Bodnar Cheryl-Ann Bombardier Donna Bruno Brusseau Family **Eddie Burns** Danny Burr Mike Butler Sharon Rivera-Carro Joe Casagni Liz Clinton Jill Cochrhne Nancy Colon Lorraine D'Angelo Johnny DeMichiel Sigrid Devita Mahaila Dickinson Walter Dickinson Gerard Doll Irene Douglas Laura Dubriel Renate Duksis Judy Elliott Walt & Chris Esker Jan Eucalitto Bruce & Liz Falls **Christy Ferro** Fred George Carol Gesner Pastor Wayne Gollenberg Linda Hoffman Stearns Susan Grenier Reid Underwood Agneta Groring Mary Vargas Maggie Hanley Jackie Quinn Wassik Alexis Heintz Jim Weber **Brad Herzberg** Russ Wilmot Bill Hodorski Jean Marie Witt Lynn Horka Pastor Larry & Nancy Wogman Mary Ingoldsby Amy Worthington-Cady Susan Jones **Bruce Yauney** Jenn Johnson & Family

Mike Jurkas

Ed Killingbeck

Lynn Killingbeck Howard & Barbara Kreidwise Diana Levanti Rebecca Little Helen Loomis Mervin Mank Cynthia Marine Richard Marine Janis Martin Malcom Martin Shari Mendelsohn Michael Meyers Bob & Lynn Milano Denise Murphy Lynne & Bob Murphy **Dennis Nalette** Karen Ness Ron Nurnberg Caroline O'Brien Greg O'Brien Tom O'Brien Regina Pagano Bruce and Kathy Panella Jeffrey Park Gary Parker Maria Payne Colleen Peterson Mike Plouffe Mike & Diane Porto Caroline Quintal RuthAnn Rash Marge Raspiller Elfrieda Roller Dave Roskopf Chris Samele Rosemary Schibi Rob Seelye Jay Shaw Linda Shaw Jon Sterling John Torsiello

Bill Young

Cookie

Celeste Debbie E. Rosaline Paul Karen Katherine Helen Jo Jaiden Mike Curran Diane Charlie Michelle Jack & Barbara Clarence and Priscilla Diane H. Shannon Andy C. Kathleen Bettv M. Jack Rhett Colin M.

Family and friends of **Doug Little**

Our Nursing Home Members Marilyn Duteau Dee Gammon Anna Woike Bruno Arcoma

Our Military Friends Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord. Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Pvt. Brennan Thompson Tyler Quinn **Eric Beyus** Major Zachary Fulton Brandan Holbrook Jonathan Connell Tom Gregg, Jr. **Brion Olivero Eric Bremer** Peter Hutchinson S/W Anderson James Ernst USCG SPC Dominic Boscarino

If you place a name on the Prayer List, it is your responsibility to let the office know either by Prayer of Concerns form in the Narthex,

e-mail or a quick phone call, once per month if the name needs to remain on the list. Thank you.

2022 Caster/Pentecost Memorials

Anyone wishing to memorialize a loved one with Easter and/or Pentecost flowers can do so by filling out the form provided below and placing it in the offering plate or returning it to the church office. Cost is by donation.

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