

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 9, 2025



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8:00 AM SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Book of Common Prayer – beginning page 67

10:00 AM THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements & Territorial Acknowledgement

Prelude: A Dalliance of Eagles (Urquhart)

We come to silence at the sound of the gong.

To request specific prayers during the service, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the prayer basket in the narthex.

Opening Hymn: CP175 *Forty Days and Forty Nights*

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
And also with you.

AN ACT OF PENITENCE

Kyrie Eleison (John L Bell) - *see blue insert*

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour.

A moment of silence

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 neighbours 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.**

Presider Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you
from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Kyrie Eleison (John L Bell) - *see blue insert*

Collect of the Day

Presider God of the wilderness,
**your Spirit leads us to face the truth,
unprotected and exposed:
in our times of trial help us to resist the worship of empty**

**power, so that we may find our true food in Jesus Christ,
the broken bread. Amen.**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009), alt.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Reader Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, *

All abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

They shall say to the Lord, "You are our refuge and our stronghold, *

our God in whom we put our trust."

Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,
there shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
For the angels of God shall have charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.
They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
**you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under
your feet.**
"Because they are bound to me in love, *
therefore will I deliver them;
I will protect them, *
because they know my name.
They shall call upon me, *
and I will answer them;
I am with them in trouble; *
I will rescue them and bring them to honour.
With long life will I satisfy them, *
and show them my salvation."

SECOND READING: ROMANS 10:8B-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: VU117 Jesus Christ Is Waiting

* or: "Listen, my Jesus"

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Jesus Christ Is Waiting

Em A Em Am B7 Em

1 Je - sus Christ is wait - ing, wait - ing in the streets;
 2 Je - sus Christ is rag - ing, rag - ing in the streets,
 ♦ 3 Je - sus Christ is heal - ing, heal - ing in the streets;
 4 Je - sus Christ is danc - ing, danc - ing in the streets,
 5 Je - sus Christ is call - ing, call - ing in the streets,

Em A Em Am B7 Em

no one is his neigh - bour, all a - lone he eats.
 where in - just - ice spi - rals and real hope re - treats.
 ♦ cur - ing those who suf - fer, touch - ing those he greets.
 where each sign of hat - red he, with love, de - feats.
 "Who will join my jour - ney? I will guide their feet."

Em A D B Em A D B7

*Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I am lone - ly too.
 Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I am an - gry too.
 ♦ Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I have pit - y too.
 Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I should tri - umph too.
 Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, let my fears be few.

Em A Em Am B7 Em

Make me, friend or stran - ger, fit to wait on you.
 In the King - dom's caus - es let me rage with you.
 ♦ Let my care be ac - tive, heal - ing just like you.
 On sus - pi - cion's grave - yard let me dance with you.
 Walk one step be - fore me, I will fol - low you.

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 4:1-13

Reader The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

...Behold, behold I make all things new - John Bell

Beginning with you and starting from today.

Behold, behold I make all things new,

My promise is true, for I am Christ the way.

Homily

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

Presider Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: CP613 *We Lay our Broken World* (omit v 4)

WE SHARE THE SACRED MEAL

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God our provider,

All **you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer – BAS #2 (p 196)

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.

He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.

He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you,
the God and Creator of all.

In fulfilment of your will

he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,

that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,

and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your
presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All

Holy, holy, holy, God of power,

(Please see insert)

of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed, blessed, blessed,

Blessed is the one coming in the name,

the name of the Lord.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Presider

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;

who on the night he was handed over

to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks,

saying, "Take, and eat:

this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup,

saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.

When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,

we offer you this bread and this cup,

giving thanks that you have made us worthy

to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit

upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries,

filling them with the Holy Spirit

and confirming their faith in the truth,

that together we may praise you and give you glory

through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honor are yours, Father and Son,

with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever.

All

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (chant) – *see blue insert*

**Our Father in heaven, hallow'd be your Name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
Now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider We break this bread,

All communion in Christ's body once broken.

Presider Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**All If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

All are welcome to join in the sacred feast of Holy Communion. Please come forward to receive the sacrament, stepping into the circle around the altar. You may indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. All are invited to draw near the table of the Lord.

Healing prayer ministry is offered in the Lady Chapel during communion most Sundays. After you have received the sacrament, make your way to the chapel to receive prayer.

Communion Music: *Agnus Dei / Lamb of God* (Bell, St. Bride setting)
CP531 *On Eagle's Wings*
CP553 *Ubi Caritas* (Latin x2, English x2, hum)

Prayer after Communion

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.

All And your faithful servants bless you.

**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

May we, who share his body, live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we
and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to
praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Blessing

Presider Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God: Creator, Word, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: CP565 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Dismissal

Assistant Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Gynopedies* (Eric Satie) - Lanny Pollet, flute



The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

	8am	10am
Presider	The Rev. Christine Conkin	The Rev Canon Jenny Replogle
Preacher	The Rev. Christine Conkin	The Rev. Christine Conkin
Music Director		Fran Pollet
First Reading	Leslie Glazier	Colin Millar
Psalm	Susan McMillan	Kelsey Harty
Second Reading	Marnie Bradfield	Beth Gvora
Prayers	John Oldale	Margaret Smart
Administrants	Leslie Glazier	Colin Millar, Gary Fisher
Liturgical Assistant	Bruce Winter	Darlene Fisher
Greeters	Leigh Bradfield	Mary Moffitt, Gary Fisher
Tech Assistant		Caitlin Dean
Counter		Jody Trueman
Supervisor		Gary Fisher
Flowers		Sandra Moore/Margaret Hood
Chancel Guild		Darlene Fisher
Altar Bread		Kathleen von Kanel/Joan Collis
Healing Prayers		Lynn Alexander, Martha Stein Marriott

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