

Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 21, 2021

Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: O man, bewail thy grievous sins

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prayer of Intention During Lent

(found in the Book of Occasional Services)

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of the universe. Your gifts are many, and in wisdom you have made all things to give you glory. Be with us now and bless us as we dedicate our use of this space in our homes to your praise and honor. As often as we worship you here, precede us and abide with us. Be known to us in your Word spoken and heard, in this manner of fellowship with one another, and in the breaking of the bread spiritually received. Give us joy in all your works, and grant that these spaces in our homes be places where your will is done and your name is glorified; through Jesus Christ our Savior, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen

Opening Hymn 448: "O love, how deep, how broad, how high" verses 1, 2, 4, and 6 Deus tuorum militum

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, 4 For us to wicked hands betrayed, how passing thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake!
 - scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death; for us gave up his dying breath.
- 2 For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.
- 6 All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad; the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant: Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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; through Christ our Lord. Amen

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S96 Kyrie (found in the front of The Hymnal 1982)

Schubert

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The First Lesson: Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9 Ad te, Domine, levavi

- To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, * and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:9-15

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.

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, who with the Father and the Son 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

After the words "Lord, hear the prayers of our hearts," the congregation responds with "*And grant us Your peace*."

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Clergy:

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*.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Solo Anthem: "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tiding" *from* Messiah

George Frideric Handel

Emily Riley, Soprano

Blessing of the Offering

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer I

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Le us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds:

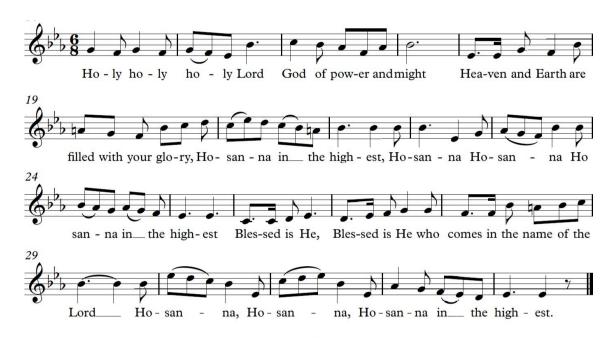
Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

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, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

Sanctus (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier



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Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [______ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

The Celebrant continues

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

People and Celebrant:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Given 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

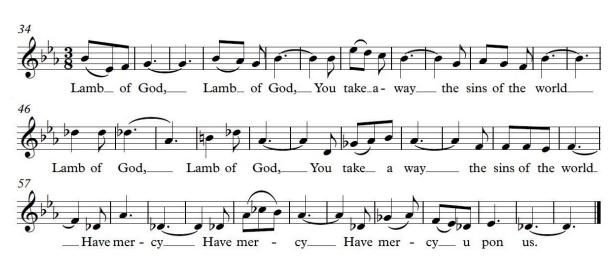
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier



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

People: Faithful God,

in the wonder of your wisdom and love,

you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels

and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.

Though we cannot now consume

these gifts of bread and wine together,

we thank you that we have received Christ's presence,

the forgiveness of sins,

and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,

may we embody your love,

be renewed for your service,

and be reflections of the risen Lord. Amen.

Music during Communion

Solo Anthem: "God so loved the world" (*test from* John 3: 16-17)

John Stainer

Emily Riley, soprano

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.

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: Eternal God,

heavenly Father,

vou 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.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 688 "A mighty fortress is our God!"

Ein feste Burg

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing: for still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- 2 Did we in our strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing: dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabbaoth, his Name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
- And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us; the prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure, one little word shall fell him.
- 4 That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth: let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still, his kingdom is forever.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord. People: *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude: All glory be to God on high

Johann Pachelbel

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: Readers and Intercessor: TBD; Musicians: Emily Riley, Dr. Jane Tavernier;

Audio-Visual: John Bednar, Doug Onley, The Rev. Sam Sheridan;

Celebrant: The Rev. Susan Parsons

Forum Hour: "Recycle Right"

Join us for a <u>Virtual Forum Hour</u> immediately after today's 10:30 a.m. online service via Zoom. Special guest Helen Lee, MBA, Environmental Program Manager, Transportation and Environmental Services with the City of Alexandria, Virginia will lead an informative discussion "Recycle Right".

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