

Trinity†St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The First Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025



Prelude: "Ich Ruf Zu Dir" (I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Holy Eucharist

Entrance Rite

At the sound of the bell, all stand as they are able for the beginning of our worship.



The Liturgy of the Word

The Great Litany



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Twila Ehmcke & Thomas Wade, Cantors



The Officiant at the Litany may be a lay cantor.

Officiant  *People* 



O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer-cy on us.

Officiant  *People* 


O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer-cy on us.

Officiant  *People* 

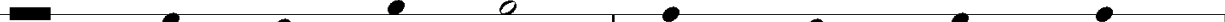
O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faith-ful, Have mer-cy on us.

Officiant  *People* 


O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer-cy on us.

Officiant 


Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our ancestors; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare your people, whom you have redeemed with your most precious blood, and by your mercy

People 


preserve us for - ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

Officiant 

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the



devil; and from everlast - ing damn - na - tion,

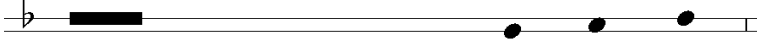
People 

Good Lord, de - li - ver us.

(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)

We sinners beseech you to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please you to rule and govern your holy Church Universal in the right way,

People



We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)



Officiant Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.

People Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.

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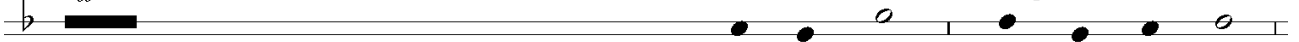


O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world, Have mer - cy on us.

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world, Have mer - cy on us.

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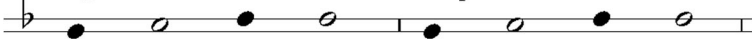
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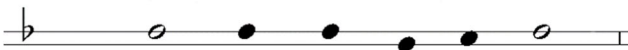
O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world, Grant us your peace.

Officiant

People



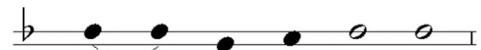
O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.



Officiant Lord, have mer - cy on us.

People Christ, have mer - cy on us.

Officiant Lord, have mer - cy on us.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

Chri - ste e - lei - son.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

or

All remaining standing as are able,

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant 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.

People *Amen.*

First Reading

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

All sit.

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

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 labor 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 God's people.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm

Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16

Qui habitat

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
 abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the Lord,
 “You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
 my God in whom I put my trust.”
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *
 and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
 neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
 to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
 lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
 you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
 therefore will I deliver him; *
 I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
 I am with him in trouble;
 I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
 and show him my salvation.

Second Reading

Romans 10: 8b-13

A Reading from the letter to the Book of Romans.

“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.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as are able.

Hymn

Hymn 142, verses 1-3

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
 2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - tory win,
 3 As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,
 4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,
 5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
 2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.
 3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
 4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
 5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Holy Gospel

Luke 4: 1-13

All remain standing as are able.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After his baptism, 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.

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

Hymn 142, verses 4-5 (page 6)

Homily

Pause — a time for reflection

Nicene Creed

All stand as are able.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

All remain standing, as they are able.

Leader In this, the first Sunday of the holy season of Lent, let us offer to God the deepest needs of our hearts, crying out to him, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader Holy One, bless this church with an ever-deepening faith and lead us forward in our own season of wonder as we prepare for the season of Lent. Lord, in your mercy:

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Holy One, bless those who hunger for your love. May we worship you in the beauty of holiness so that we may be strengthened and sent out into the world to serve your gospel. Lord, in your mercy:

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Holy One, bless our nation's leaders at all levels with wisdom, courtesy compassion and grace. Bless all who live here with a care for one another and a willingness to compromise. Lord, in your mercy:

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Holy One, protect the children and families of our community. Give them the gift of time, health and love of you. Let us be a part of the life of families and especially send us to love the lonely and forgotten who live among us. Lord, in your mercy:

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Holy One, healing is one of our greatest needs in this life. It is our privilege to offer to you those we know who are in need of your healing and who seek relief from pain and suffering. Lord, in your mercy:

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Holy One, we know that you have prepared a place for us. Gather those who die in the light of your love and bless the grieving with comfort and peace. Lord, in your mercy:

People *Hear our prayer.*

Celebrant and People

Holy God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless our prayers with your discerning love and lead us ever more into a deeper life of faith with you. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people kneel, or remain standing, as they are able.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and 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.

Absolution

Celebrant:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace

All stand as are able.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Minister and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service, during which the people may be seated.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Bread and Wine are offered at the Altar, and the table is set for the Eucharist. A collection is taken for the work of the church and then blessed. In this set of actions, the whole assembly brings together our food, our material resources, our spirits, our bodies, our cares, our relationships, and our intentions, in order to present ourselves and our world as completely as possible to God. All of them will be blessed in the Eucharistic action to come, and creation itself will be renewed.

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Offertory Anthem: “Guide Me, O thou Great Jehovah”

Appalachian

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah. Pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak but thou art mighty, Hold me with thy pow’rful hand. Bread of heaven, Feed me ‘till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fiery, cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv’rer, be thou my strength and shield.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

All stand as are able.

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which the earth has given, and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

People *Blessed be God forever.*

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine, and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

People *Blessed be God forever.*

Celebrant Pray, my sisters, and brothers, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty.

People *May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands to the praise and glory of God’s name, to our benefit, and to that of all God’s holy Church.*

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.

The Celebrant proceeds

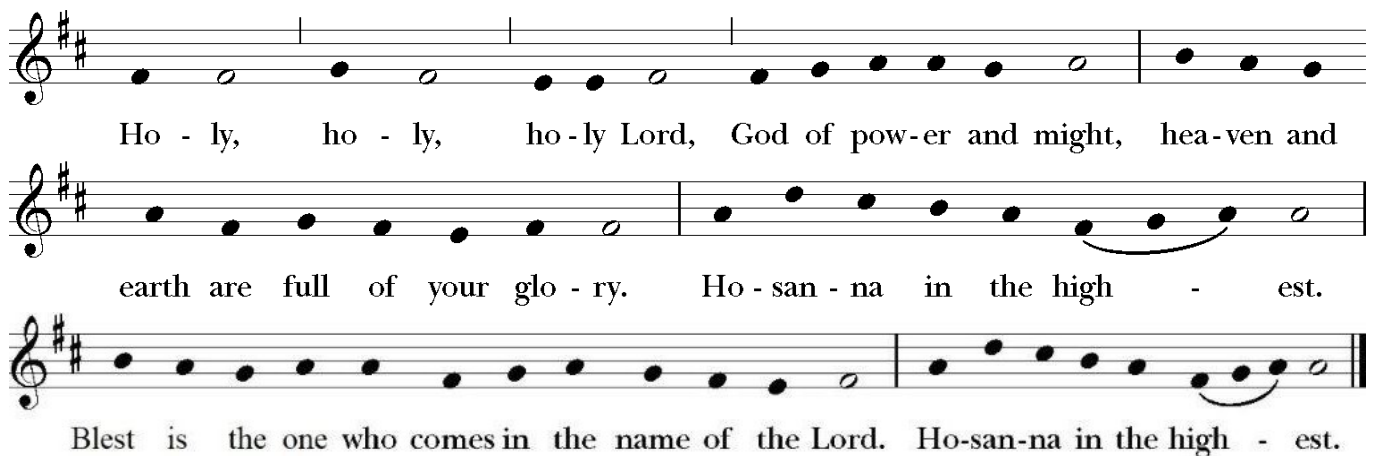
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people kneel, or remain standing, as they are able.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy 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.

The Celebrant continues

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.

People Amen.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father and Mother in heaven,
hallowed 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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem

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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.

The Celebrant says,

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People may be seated; the usher will indicate each row for communion.

All who feel called are welcome to receive communion; alternatively, you may cross your arms over your chest if you prefer to receive a blessing.

Hymn

Hymn 448



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
 2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
 3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
 4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
 5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
 6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
 2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
 3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
 4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
 5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
 6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
 2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
 3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
 4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
 5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
 6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Hymn

Hymn 810

Choir soloists sing verses 1-3; all sing Refrain after each verse.



1. You who dwell in the shel - ter of the Lord, who a -
 2. Snares of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, and
 3. For to the an - gels God's giv - en a com - mand to



bide in his sha - dow for life, say to the Lord: "My
fam - ine will bring you no fear; un - der God's wings your
guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will



ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"
ref - uge with faith - ful - ness your shield.
bear you up, lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

Refrain



"And I will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,



bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the



sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand."

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, all standing or kneeling as they are able

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

Celebrant May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of
 Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who
 broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you
 and remain with you always.

People Amen.

Hymn

Hymn 690

Sung by all, remaining standing as they are able.

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
 thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Improvisation

Future First Sundays Organ Recital Series, and Evensong, at 5:00 p.m., Spring 2025

April 6 David Troiano (Gross Point Park, Michigan)
May 4 Evensong and Concert with the Choir of Trinity†St. Peter's
June 1 Dr. Michael Szostak (Warsaw, Poland)

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