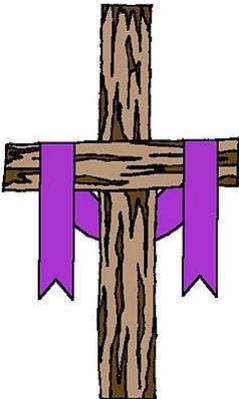


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Sunday Service Connection Grace Episcopal Church

Virtual Worship

First Sunday of Lent

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Dr. Bob Lambe, Musical Director
Deb Bordne, Marie Fournier, Deborah Whelan, & Kay Standifer Cantors
Readers: Paul & Sheila Deffely
02.21.21



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Opening

Celebrant:
Blessed be the God of our salvation

People:
Who bears our burdens and
forgives our sins.

Amen.



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The Decalogue



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Confession and Absolution

Celebrant:

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14,16

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

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Confession and Absolution, *continued*

In unison:

Almighty and most merciful father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep,

we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,

we have offended against your holy laws,

we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,

and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us,

spare those who confess their faults,

restore those who are penitent,

according to your promises declared to humankind in Christ Jesus our Lord;

and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,

to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.



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Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.



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The Collect

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



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First Reading: **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."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People: Thanks be to God



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Psalm: 25:1-9

- 1 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.



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Second Reading: 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.

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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."

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Homily
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The Nicene Creed

Rev Grant's microphone open, all others muted

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



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Prayers of the People - Form II – Reader

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishops Alan and Gayle; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Dot B., Marilyn W., Kyle M., Jennifer M., Claire M., Muriel C., Daniel,
Marjorie S., Tom D., JoAnn B., Vi G., Andrew D., Loren C., Richard T., Pat N.,
Rebecca T., Stephanie T., David T., George M., Alison S., Diane M., John V.,
Norm L., Fredy V., Janet D., Beth W., Ron, Nancy M., Michele T., Carole H.P.
& Autumn



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Prayers of the People

Rev. Grant or reader's microphone is open, all others muted

We give thanks for those serving in the military, especially: Matt C., Baron S., Zachary S., Christopher, Tim, Monique & Joey

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence - We invite you to name out loud others we pray for....

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence - We invite you to name out loud others we pray for....

I ask for your prayers of thanksgiving for blessings. Pray in gratitude to God.

Silence - We invite you to name out loud thanksgivings we pray for....

You may also add your prayers in the chat box, including birthday or anniversary remembrances.



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The Lord's Prayer

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

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, for ever and ever.

Amen.



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Blessing



Closing

Officiant:

Let us bless the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God!

