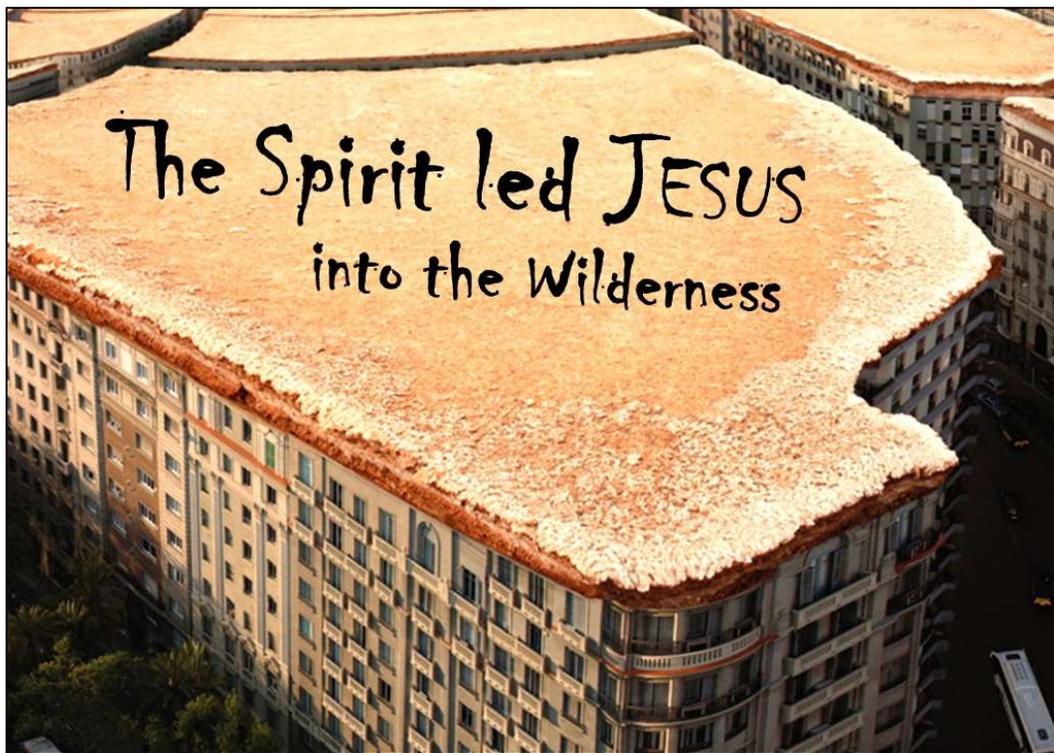


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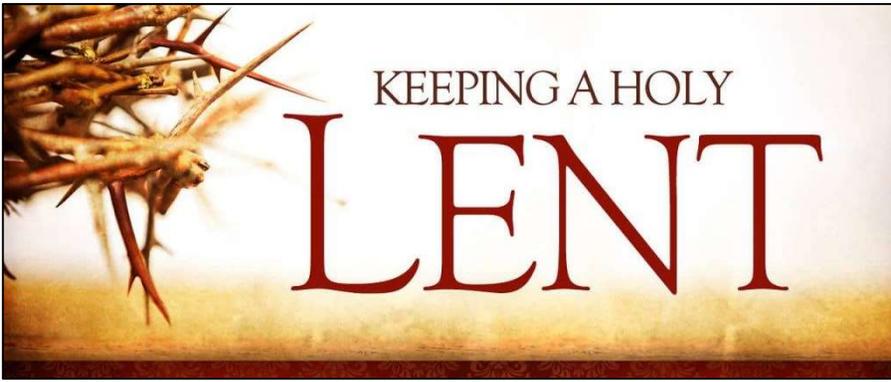
The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

with the Great Litany



THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 22, a.d. 2026 at 10:15 a.m.

Serving Christ by Ministering to the Needs of the Community and the Parish



Is not this the fast that I choose:
to lose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly.

— The Prophet Isaiah

THE SEASON OF LENT is like no other season in the church year; it has a feel all its own. This is reflected in the transformations of our worship space and liturgy.

THE SPACE

In addition to the use of the color purple, you will notice other changes to our worship space. Our brass crosses and candlesticks have been replaced by wooden ones. A glass communion set is used instead of the silver set.

THE LITURGY

On the First Sunday of Lent, we recite the Great Litany as a solemn procession takes place in the church. On the remaining Sundays, we follow the Penitential Order in the Book of Common Prayer. This means that worship begins with a Confession of Sin, which normally comes at the midpoint of the service.

Instead of the Gloria, we say the Trisagion, “Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us,” or we sing the Kyrie “Lord have mercy....”

There is an increased use of silence, and we follow the rule of simplicity. So there are no Sanctus bells. And, at the invitation to communion, instead of hearing, “The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving,” we hear simply, “The Gifts of God for the People of God.”

NO ALLELUIAS

One of the most noteworthy distinctives in Lent is the absence of alleluias. There are no alleluias in Lent. We have put them away for the next six weeks. We will bring them back out at the Great Easter Vigil. During the Easter season, there is an increase of alleluias to make up for their forty-day absence.

So, after the breaking of the bread, there are no alleluias. The celebrant proclaims, “Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;” and the people respond with, “Therefore let us keep the feast.”

(See the rubrics on pages 337 and 364 in the *Book of Common Prayer*.)



SOLEMN PRAYER INSTEAD OF BLESSING

In place of the typical blessing given by the priest at the end of the service, a solemn prayer is prayed over the people to support them in their Lenten walk. This takes place next to the Lenten Wreath.

THE LENTEN WREATH

As with the Advent wreath, the Lenten wreath helps us keep track of time as we anticipate the events of Holy Week and Easter. The idea for the Lenten wreath was conceived by Fr. Andy Hook, and it was made by Steve Fontaine.

Our Lenten wreath has seven candles, a large white Christ candle in the center surrounded by six colored candles, one for each of the six weeks of Lent. The five purple candles stand for the first five weeks of Lent, while the red candle represents Holy Week.

The Lenten wreath works in reverse fashion to the Advent wreath. At the start of Lent, all of the candles are lit, including the Christ candle. Each week, one purple candle is extinguished. The red candle is extinguished on Palm/Passion Sunday, leaving the Christ candle which is extinguished on Good Friday.

More than just a nice visual for counting down the weeks, the symbolism is that, as we get closer to Good Friday, the light gives way to darkness, and then on Good Friday, the Light of the World is snuffed out. But the Good News is that at the Easter Vigil, the Paschal candle is lit from newly kindled fire and triumphantly marched into the Church for Christ is Risen and the Light has returned to vanquish the darkness.

Welcome

Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church. We are so delighted that you have chosen to worship in this place and in this community today. If you are new to Episcopal worship, this full-text bulletin has everything you need to participate.

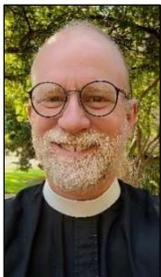
Welcome Card. If you are new to Grace, we would love to have a record of your visit. There is a Welcome Card in the pew rack. Please fill out as much (or as little) information as you would like to share with us and place it in the offering plate when it comes by.

A Word about Communion. At the heart of our worship is Holy Communion, which we also call Holy Eucharist. We celebrate it every Sunday with bread and real wine. Please know that we practice an open table; *all Christians* (no matter what tradition you come from) are invited and encouraged to come forward and receive communion. On page 13, there are more details about how we practice communion at Grace.

Again, welcome! If you ever have any questions or thoughts feel free to call, text, or email me (620-314-7520; frted.grace@gmail.com).



Blessings,
Father Ted Blakley



Priest and Rector



PRAY



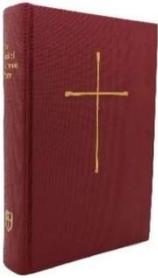
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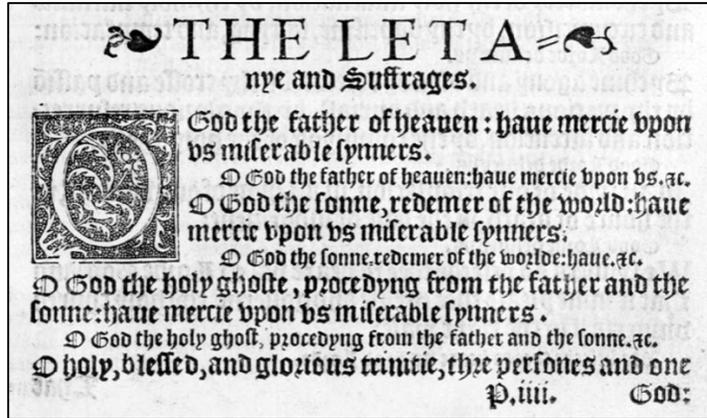


Streaming Starts at 10:05 a.m. • Liturgy Starts at 10:15 a.m.
To join the service, go to www.tinyurl.com/GraceYouTubeLive.



THE GREAT LITANY

It is tradition in the Episcopal Church to begin the Season of Lent with The Great Litany, which was first published in 1544 (482 years ago.) The Great Litany was the first liturgical service in the English language, and it has been part of every *Book of Common Prayer*.



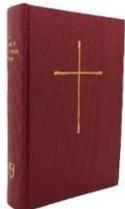
PRELUDE

“Grand Choeur” organ by Jan Howard
by George Frederick Handel

WELCOME

SILENT PROCESSION *stand*

The Great Litany



THE GREAT LITANY *kneel as you are able*

BCP 148

Please turn to page 148 in *The Book of Common Prayer*.

KYRIE ELEISON *remain kneeling*

Hymnal S-91

Lord, have mercy upon us. (×3)

Christ, have mercy upon us. (×3)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (×3)

The Liturgy of the Word

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

A moment of silence is observed.

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 *sit*

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

A Reading from Genesis

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 32 *to be read responsively by whole verse*

BCP 624

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 **Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 **I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." ***
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 **You are my hiding-place;**
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 **Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; ***
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; ***
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:12-19

A Reading from Romans

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN *stand*

“Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us” • Hymnal 559 (vv. 1-3)

Words: James Edmeston Music: *Dulce carmen*, melody from *An Essay on Church Plain Chant*,
adapt *Collection of Motetts or Antiphons* harm. William Henry Monk

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o’er the world’s tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee,
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

Savior, breathe forgiveness o’er us;
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us;

thou didst feel its keenest woe;
yet unfearing, persevering,
to thy passion thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
love with every passion blending
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, Lord Christ

After Jesus was baptized by John, Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written,

‘One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,’
and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

The Deacon (or Celebrant) bids the people to proclaim their faith.

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.



THE PEACE *stand*

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

People: **And also with you.**

PEACE HYMN *stand*

“You Who Dwell In the Shelter of the Lord” • WLP 810 (vv. 1-3)

Words and Music: Michael Jonas

**You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in this shadow for life,
say to the Lord: “My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!”**

*And I will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of my hand.*

**Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear;
under God’s wings your refuge with faithfulness your shield.**

Refrain

**For to the angels God’s given a command to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

Refrain

The Liturgy of the Table

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

In gratitude for who God is and what God does, we give back to God a portion of what God has given to us so that God’s mission through this place and this people might flourish. What you give today represents your life and your labors, your loves and loyalties, your joys and thanksgivings, and God receives it with gladness.



DIGITAL OFFERING PLATE: THREE SIMPLE WAYS TO GIVE

- ✓ Go to www.tinyurl.com/Giving2Grace
- ✓ Scan the **QR Code** on the right.
- ✓ Text **GIVE** to **620-542-8024**.

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS *stand* Hymnal 380 (v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant: All things come of Thee, O Lord.

People: **And of Thine own have we given Thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

Sursum Corda (“Lift up your hearts...”) *stand*

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 him thanks and praise.**

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

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. 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. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *kneel*

BCP 364

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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *kneel*

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept, in reverent thanksgiving for what Jesus has done for us.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**



BCP 364

FRACTION ANTHEM

“Verily, Verily I Say Unto You” • Sung a cappella by Grace Choir
by Thomas Tallis

Verily, verily I say unto you: Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; And I will raise him up at the last day for my flesh is meat indeed and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me and I in him.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table,
O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much
as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord
whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

HOLY COMMUNION IN ONE OR BOTH KINDS

*At this time, an usher will come forward and invite each row to go forward for communion. **Bread.** When it is your turn to receive communion simply extend your cupped hands forward, and a priest will place the wafer of bread in your hands. **Gluten Free.** If you would prefer a gluten-free wafer, extend your hands palms down. **Real Wine.** If you wish to receive the wine, you may drink from the chalice or you may dip the wafer into the chalice. **Two Stations.** You may choose to receive communion at the altar rail or at the station on the right side in front of the pulpit.*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**



1. Im - a - gine a world like the one Mar - y sang of, where
 2. Im - a - gine a world like the one Mar - tin dreamed of, where
 3. Im - a - gine a world bright and bold as the rain - bow, each
 4. This world we im - a - gine is ours for the mak - ing. Shout



all peo - ple share in the boun - ti - ful feast, the
 just - ice and right - eous - ness roll like a stream, where
 beau - ti - ful col - or so true and so free, hu -
 out and be heard o'er the hate and the lies. Stand



proud and the might - y from gold - en thrones top - pled, and
 each hu - man eye shows God's im - age re - flec - ted, and
 man - i - ty's hues each and all cel - e - brat - ed with
 fast 'gainst in - just - ice and make some Good Trou - ble: it's



rich men don't prey on the last and the least:
 from ev - ery moun - tain - side may free - dom ring.
 Pride and with love as God's own fam - i - ly.
 times such as these when we all must a - rise.

Refrain



No child is il - le - gal, no per - son is gar - bage, all arms wide in wel - come for



the ref - u - gee; the poor and the need - y share in the a - bun - dance— there's



plen - ty good room here in God's fam - i - ly.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

SOLEMN PRAYER & EXTINGUISHING THE LENT 1 CANDLE

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PROCESSION INTO THE WORLD *stand*

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” • Hymnal 688 (vv. 1-4)

Words: Martin Luther; tr. Frederick Henry Hedge

Music: *A Mighty Fortress is our God*, melody Martin Luther harm. Johann Sebastian Bach

**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.**

**Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his Name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.**

**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?**

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SENDING FORTH INTO GOD’S MISSION FIELD

The Deacon bids the people to go forth into the world in mission, using the following or some other dismissal.

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHECK YOUR INBOX EACH THURSDAY



HOST FELLOWSHIP HOUR

If you would be willing to host a Sunday please sign up. This is a good way for people to connect with one another.

Upcoming Dates Available: April 12

PROVIDE A YOUTH GROUP DINNER

Sign up to bring dinner for our youth groups. Meals can be simple. Drinks and desserts are appreciated but not required. We eat at 6:30 pm, and we invite those who prepare the meal to join us for dinner. It is a great way to get to know our youth!



Upcoming Dates Available: March 4, 11

SYLVIA MAYER SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline April 1st

Sylvia Mayer was a parishioner of Grace Episcopal Church. When Sylvia passed away, she bequeathed a third of her estate to Grace Episcopal Church. Her bequest established the Grace Endowment Fund, which has grown over the years and has help Grace carry out its mission. In gratitude for her thoughtfulness and generosity, the Vestry of Grace established a scholarship fund in Sylvia Mayer's name as a perpetual memorial. The scholarship is for both traditional and non-traditional students. Applications and guidelines are now available in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



LENTEN LUNCH SERIES

Is not this the fast that God has chosen?

WEDNESDAYS • 12:05-1:00 pm

Feb 25 • Trinity UMC

Mar 4 • Emanuel Lutheran

Mar 11 • First Presbyterian

Mar 18 • Grace Episcopal

Mar 25 • First Mennonite

ACT JUSTLY 
LOVE MERCY 
WALK HUMBLY 
with your God
MICAH 6:8

IF YOU HAVE TIME, STAY FOR CONVERSATION FROM 1:00 TO 1:30 PM.

FEB 25 – TRINITY UNITED METHODIST

Location: 1602 North Main Street

Guest Speaker: Father Ted Blakley, Grace Episcopal

MARCH 4 – EMANUEL LUTHERAN

Location: 140 East 30th Avenue

Guest Speaker: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger, First Mennonite

MARCH 11 – FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Location: 201 East Sherman Street

Guest Speaker: Pastor Lisa Simmelink, Emanuel Lutheran

MARCH 18 – GRACE EPISCOPAL

Location: 2 Hyde Park Drive

Guest Speaker: Pastor Kim Biery, Trinity United Methodist

MARCH 25 – FIRST MENNONITE

Location: 52 Rambler Road

Guest Speaker: Pastor Christy Kass, First Presbyterian



Silence, Solitude & Stillness

ANCIENT CHRISTIAN PRACTICES FOR TODAY'S WORLD

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT • 7:00 PM

Led by Fr. J. Ted Blakley (Ph.D.)

STARTING FEBRUARY 25 • EVENING PRAYER at 6:30 PM

EASIER SAID THAN DONE

In Psalm 46, the psalmist records the word of the Lord, “Be still, and know that I am God.” But, in a world that is so full of business and busyness, in a world that wants to capture and keep our attention at every turn, this call is easier said than done.

“When do I have time to be still?”

“Where can I go to be still?”

But let’s say we figure that out, that we find a time and a place to be still, that we find a way to get away from the noise and all the chatter. Suddenly, we realize that much of the noise and chatter isn’t out there, it’s inside of us. Suddenly, being still doesn’t feel very restful; it feels downright chaotic.

We don’t know what to do, so we return to distractions and to staying busy in an effort to mask and manage our inner turmoil. **But there is a way.**

Join us on Wednesdays to learn how the Christian practices of silence and solitude help us create space so that we “Be Still, and Know God,” so that we can learn how to rest in God’s presence and detect the still, small voice of God in our lives.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS at 5:30pm



**GOD HAS MADE HIM
BOTH LORD & MESSIAH,
THIS JESUS WHOM YOU CRUCIFIED.**

EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT, we gather to meditate on the cross that Jesus bore for us and what it might mean to take up our own cross and following him. We are guided by Clarence Enzler's *Everyone's Way of the Cross*.

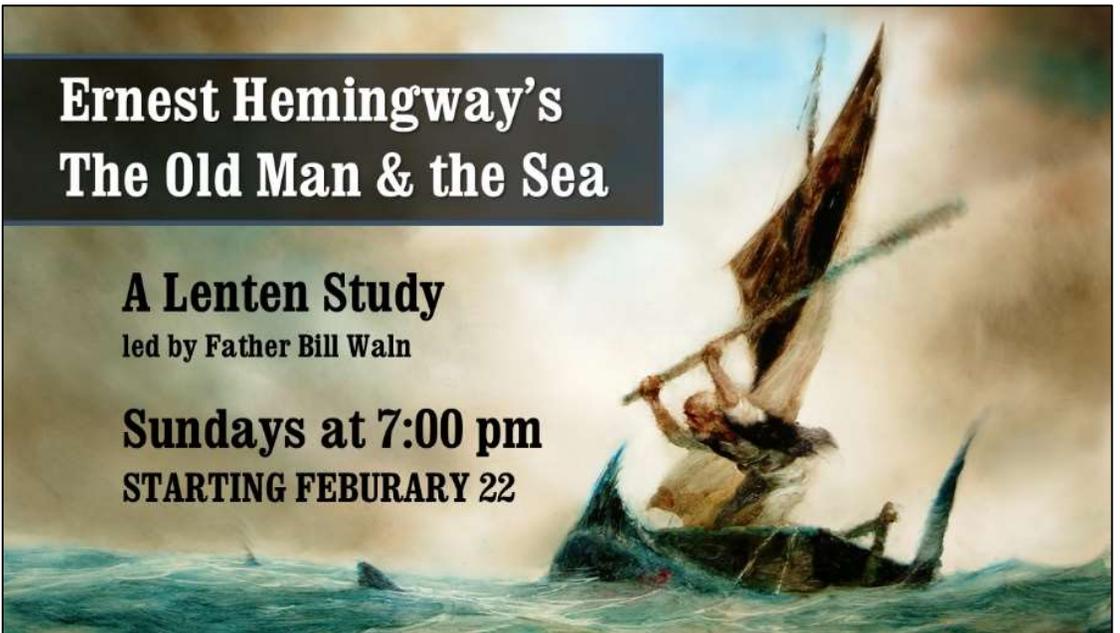
Ernest Hemingway's The Old Man & the Sea

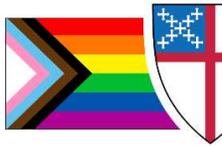
A Lenten Study

led by **Father Bill Waln**

Sundays at 7:00 pm

STARTING FEBRUARY 22





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OFFICE HOURS: Mondays through Thursdays • 9:00 am – 1:00 pm • Closed Fridays

Lenten Worship and Studies are in **bold**.

ONLINE PRAYER

9:00 pm • Every Night Compline Online at Nine (FB LIVE)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

8:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Spoken

10:15 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 • Music

After 10:15 am Service Food & Fellowship in Parish Hall

7:00 pm "The Old Man & the Sea" • Lenten Study led by Father Bill

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:00 pm Al-Anon

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:30 pm Vestry Zoom

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Chapel

10:00 am Adult Bible Study

12:05 pm to 1:00 pm (or 1:30 pm) Lenten Lunch at Trinity United Methodist

1:00 pm Daughters of the King (DOK)

6:30 pm MS-HS Youth Group

6:30 pm Evening Prayer • Chapel

7:00 pm "Silence, Solitude & Stillness" • Lenten Study led by Father Ted

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

5:30 pm Stations of the Cross



SCRIPTURES FOR NEXT SUNDAY • LENT 2

- Genesis 12:1-4a
- Psalm 121
- Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
- John 3:1-17



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