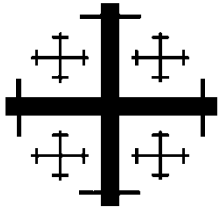


Second Sunday in Lent

25 February 2024

8 & 11 am





The Liturgy at Calvary

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

Prelude *Amazing Grace* arr. Robert Hobby [b.1962]

Confession & Absolution

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen

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Bless Now, O God, the Journey

1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,
 2 Bless so - journ - ers and pil - grims who share this wind - ing way;
 3 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the road.

the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.
 your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus - tains the day.
 We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,

The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun - tain round,
 We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;
 but wait - ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.

then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.
 to - geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.
 Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993
 Music: LLANGLOFFAN, Welsh tune, 19th cent.
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Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✕ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Kyrie Eleison [Greek, Lord Have Mercy]

ALL



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ALL
 Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son O - ky-ri-e e - le-i-son

CANTOR
 Help, save, com - fort and de - fend us grac - ious Lord.

ALL
 A - - - men.

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 for Calvary Lutheran Church © 2000 Viktor Andersson

Tree of Life & Awesome Mystery

Jack Graeber, Trombone Jack Gage, Trumpet

1 Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, in your
 2 We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, love passed
 3 Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low, stum - bling

death we are re - born; though you die in all of
 on through act and word; ev - 'ry per - son lost and
 though our steps may be; one with you in joy and

his - t'ry, still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, still you
 bro - ken wears the bod - y of our Lord, wears the
 sor - row, we the riv - er, you the sea, we the

rise with ev - 'ry morn.
 bod - y of our Lord.
 riv - er, you the sea.

4. In our call to be a blessing, may we be a blessing true; may we live and die confessing Christ as Lord of all we do. Christ as Lord of all we do.

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Prayer of The Day



P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray...

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

First Reading: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

¹⁵God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

P The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God!**

Cantor/Choir sing refrain; all echo & sing ff. verses

Psalm 22

Viktor Andersson

Refrain



Be not far from me O God. Has - ten now and res - cue me. For
you are my strength; my strength and my sal - va - tion.

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1 I will stand in the congregation and I will praise your name;
stand in awe and give glory, declare your name to everyone.

REFRAIN

2 God never disdains the poor, despises not poverty, hides not
from those in need. God answers when they call.

REFRAIN

3 All the ends of earth shall remember and then return to their
God. All nations shall bow down to God who rules the world.

REFRAIN

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the

barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

P The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God!

Lenten Gospel Acclamation



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 8th chapter.

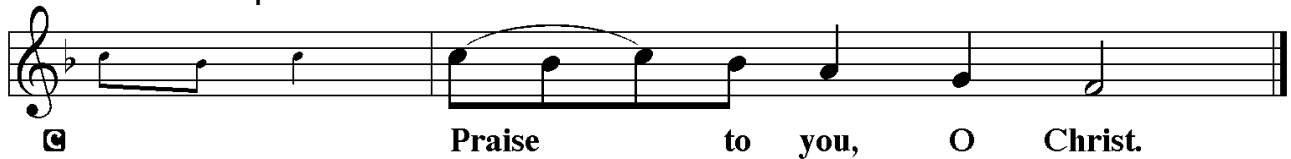


C Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P The Gospel of our Lord.



Sermon *Pastor Kyle*

Hymn of the Day *Nearer My God to Thee*

Musical score for the hymn "Nearer My God to Thee." The score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble clef staff for the voice and a bass clef staff for the piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Near - er, my God, to thee, Near - er to thee!
 2. Though like the wan - der - er, The sun gone down,
 3. There let the way ap - pear, Steps un - to heav'n;
 4. Then, with my wak - ing thoughts Bright with thy praise,
 5. Or if, on joy - ful wing Cleav - ing the sky,

E'en though it be a cross That rais - eth me,
 Dark - ness be o - ver me, My rest a stone;
 All that thou send - est me, In mer - cy giv'n;
 Out of my ston - y griefs Beth - el I'll raise;
 Sun, moon, and stars for - got, Up - ward I fly,

Still all my song shall be, Near - er, my God, to thee;
 Yet in my dreams I'd be Near - er, my God, to thee;
 An - gels to beck - on me Near - er, my God, to thee;
 So by my woes to be Near - er, my God, to thee;
 Still all my song shall be, Near - er, my God, to thee;

Near - er, my God, to thee, Near - er to thee!

Text: Sarah F. Adams, 1805-1848
 Tune: BETHANY, 6 4 6 4 6 6 6 4; Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized:

ALL I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the

Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

after each prayer petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

concluding with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offertory

[8] *Andante* Benjamin Carr [1768-1831]

[11] *How Vast Thy Love* Dana Mengel (b.1960)
Sanctuary Choir Karen Moxley, violin

High on a cross I beheld my Savior, bleeding in dire agony
Yet he gazed down with His eyes of compassion, pleading for
God's grace me!

How vast the love, how broad, how deep, my Savior's love
was shown to me!

What a mystery, what a wonder is my Savior's love for me!
High on a cross I beheld my Savior, broken and pierced by
my sin.

Beneath the cross I will cast every burden and I will follow
Him.

How vast the love, how broad, how deep, my Savior's love
was shown to me!

High on a cross.

Please stand as our gifts are presented, singing,

F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C B \flat Gm
 Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve
 C 7 _{sus} C 7 F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C
 you; cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that
 Gm F/A C F Am 7 Dm 7
 I might be re - newed. So fill me and
 Am 7 Dm 7 Gm 7 Gm/D C 7 _{sus} C 7
 heal me, and bring me back to you. Cre -
 F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C Gm F/A C F
 ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve you.

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right our duty and our joy... with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [*Latin* Holy & Blessed]

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F Gm C7 F B \flat Dm/G C A/C# A7 Dm

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

F Gm C7 Dm B \flat Dm/G C F(sus4) F

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Dm Am Dm G/B G C B \flat

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

C A/C# A7 Dm Dm/C B \flat B \flat /G C F(sus4) F

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

C G7 Am F G7 C
 We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e-brate your ris - ing; we
 F G7 C Am F G7 C
 break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

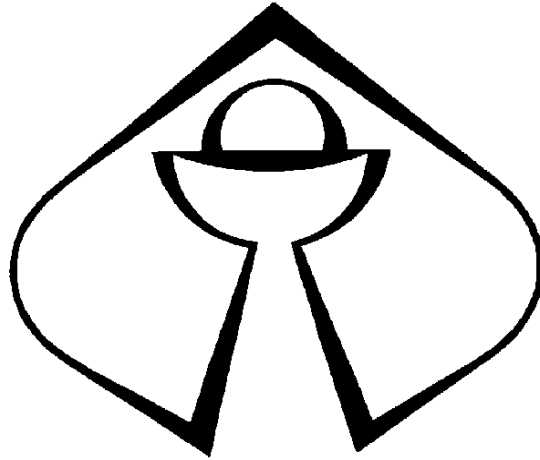
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P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
 C **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
 Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
 heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us
 our trespasses, 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, forever and ever. Amen**

Agnus Dei [*Latin* Lamb of God]

F C F F B^b F
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
 B^b C F F C F F B^b
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 F₁ B^b C F⁷ B^b E F₁
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 Bm B^b F Gm F₁ B^b C F₁
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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HOLY COMMUNION

In-Person: All are welcome to commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide. Wine is Red; Grape Juice White. Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to commune each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing: "Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

The following songs may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament

When We Are Tested

1 When we are test - ed and wres - tle a - lone,
 2 When in the des - ert we cry for re - lief,
 3 When we are tempt - ed to bar - ter our souls,
 4 When we have strug - gled and searched through the night,

fam - ished for bread when the world of - fers stone,
 plead - ing for paths marked by cer - tain be - lief,
 trad - ing the truth for the pow'r to con - trol,
 sort - ing and sift - ing the wrong from the right,

nour - ish us, God, by your word and your way,
 lift us to love you be - yond sign and test,
 teach us to wor - ship and praise on - ly you,
 Sav - ior, sur - round us with cir - cles of care,

food that sus - tains us by night and by day.
 trust - ing your pres - ence, our on - ly true rest.
 seek - ing your will in the work that we do.
 an - gels of heal - ing, of hope, and of prayer.

Abide with Me

1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes,

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
 earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see;
 Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, oh, a - bide with me.
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, oh, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me!
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C **Amen**

Inspired by an Easter homily
of St. Augustine

The monks of Weston Priory
Vermont

With bro- ken bread in our hands, your word a fire in our
hearts, we now pro - claim our own myst- 'ry:
in this jour- ney from death in to your new life, - we
are your bread, we your bo - dy.

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A Let us pray... Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

C **Amen**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look ✠ upon you with favor
and give you peace.

C **Amen**

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Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land

Refrain
All

Je-sus is a rock in a wea-ry land, a wea-ry land, a

wea-ry land; my Je-sus is a rock in a

wea-ry land, a shel-ter in the time of storm.

Leader or All

1 No one can do like Je-sus, not a
2 When Je-sus was on earth, the . .
3. Yon-der comes my Sav-ior, him . .

Text: African American spiritual
Music: African American spiritual; arr. Wyatt Tee Walker

WEARY LAND
Irregular

mum-bling word he said; he went walk-ing down to Laz-
 flesh was ver - y weak; . . he took a towel and gird-
 whom I love so well; . . he has the palm of vic-

Refrain

- a - rus' grave, and he raised him from the dead.
 ed him - self, and he washed his dis-ci - ples' feet.
 - to - ry and the keys of death and hell.

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord. **C Thanks be to God!**

Postlude *Voluntary* John Stanley [1712-1786]

2024 MID-WEEK LENTEN SERIES GOD IS STILL WITH US

Holden Evening Prayer each Wednesday @ 7pm during Lent

February 28 – A Blind Man is Healed – Luke 18:35-43

March 6 – Mary, Martha and Lazarus – John 11:3-6, 17-44

March 13 – Calming the storm – Mark 4:35-41

March 20 – Jesus in the Garden – Mark 14:32-41

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UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, died 1921

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Born in Norway and trained there as a deaconess, Fedde was asked to come and minister to the poor and to seamen in New York City. She established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn as well as Deaconess Hospital in Minneapolis.

George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633

Friday, March 1, 2024

An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

John Wesley, died 1791; Charles Wesley, died 1788; renewers of the church Saturday, March 2, 2024

These brothers led a revival originally intended to remain within the Church of England, one that involved frequent communion and advocacy for the poor. Except for a brief time in America, they worked in England. Charles was also a prolific hymn writer. After their deaths, their work led to the formation of the Methodist Church.