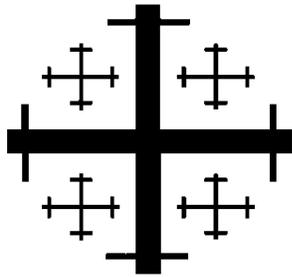


Lent II

1 March 2026

9:30 am





The Liturgy at Calvary

During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given

a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

Today the church commemorates George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633. 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.

Temple Talk – Our Time – Jonathan Berry

Penitential Rite

Lamb of God (W&P 83)

Andy Park

Lamb of God, you take a way the sin of the world.
Lamb of God, we ask you to take away our sin.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy on us.

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L Jesus said, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above (and) no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit (John 3:3,5). Let us confess all that would keep us from entering the kingdom of God.

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

L By water and the Spirit God gives life to the dead... (Romans 4:17).

C I lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121:1-2).

L ...just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, for God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14,17).

The pre-cious blood of Je-sus Christ cleans-es us from sin. —

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Lord have mer - cy — Christ have merr - cy —

Lord have mer - cy on us. Lord have mer - cy —

Christ have mer - cy — Lord have mer - cy on us.

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

ALL *Capo: 1 D Eb* *Bm Cm* *Em Fm* *A Bb* *Bm Cm* *G(maj7) Ab(maj7)* *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)*
 Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son O - ky-ri-e e - le-i-son.

CANTOR *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)* *D(sus4) Eb(sus4)* *Bm Cm*
 For peace in our hearts, the sal - va - tion of our souls,
Em Fm *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)*
 in peace let us pray to the Lord.

ALL *D Eb* *Bm Cm* *Em Fm* *A Bb* *Bm Cm* *G(maj7) A(maj7)* *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)*
 Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son O - ky-ri-e e - le-i-son.

CANTOR *D Eb* *Fm Gm* *G Ab* *A Bb*
 For peace throughout the world; the well be - ing of God's church,
Em Fm *A Bb* *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)*
 and the un - i - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL *D Eb* *Bm Cm* *Em Fm* *A Bb* *Bm Cm* *G(maj7) Ab(maj7)* *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)*
 Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son O - ky-ri-e e - le-i-son.

CANTOR *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)* *D Eb* *G Ab*
 For this ho - ly house and for all who ga - ther here to
Em Fm *A Bb* *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)*
 lift up their hearts in wor-ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL *D Eb* *Bm Cm* *Em Fm* *A Bb* *Bm Cm* *G(maj7) Ab(maj7)* *Em Fm* *A(sus2) Bb(sus2)*
 Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son O - ky-ri-e e - le-i-son

CANTOR *D Eb* *Fm Gm* *Em Fm* *G A* *A Bb* *D Eb*
 Help, save, com - fort and de - fend us grac - ious Lord.

ALL

men.

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Canticle Of Praise *Tree of Life & Awesome Mystery*

Tree of Life and awe-some mys-t'ry, in your
 We re-mem-ber and truth once spo-ken, love passed
 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 die 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.

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- 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 also with you

P Let us pray... O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through 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

Please sit

First Reading Genesis 12:1-4a

¹The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

^{4a}So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121 *Cantor/Choir sings refrain; all echo & sing ff. verses*

Dean Olawski

REFRAIN

Our help is from the Lord, who made heav-en and earth. Our help is from the Lord, who made heav-en and earth.

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1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains, when will help come to me? My help is come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. May he not allow me to stumble. He who guards me never sleeps. He walks on my path, a force beside me. The guardian of Israel. **Refrain**

2. The Lord is my help, my protector. At my right hand he will be. The sun will not harm me by day, the moon will not harm me by night. The Lord will protect me from evil. He will guide me as I go. The Lord will defend me in my ways, for now and forevermore. **Refrain**

Second Reading Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

¹ What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³ For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ⁴ Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵ But to one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

¹³ For the 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. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his

descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as 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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Holy Gospel



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. John, the 3rd chapter

C Glory to you O Lord!

¹ Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." ³ Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

¹¹“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you O Christ!

Sermon *Pr. Kyle*

Silent Reflection

Hymn Of The Day

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (ELW 803)

1 When I sur - ve y the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
Music: HAMBURG. 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 of Intercession

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

O Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Taize

The musical score is written in G major and common time (C). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "O Lord, hear our prayer. O Lord, hear our prayer. When we call, hear our plea. O Lord, hear our prayer. O Lord, hear our prayer. Hear us call - to Thee." The score includes various chords such as Dmi, C, Gmi/Bb, F/A, Bb, C7/G, A, Gmi6, Gmi7, and A. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

After each 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 *God Who Watches Over Me* Robyn Lensch
Arr. Mark Shepperd 2014
Sanctuary Choir Christy Gibson, flute**

**In the dawning of my life, resting on my mother's knee,
you were there to hear my cry, God who watches over me.**

**All the years I was alone, slowly drifting out to sea, you
were there to bring me home, God who watches over me.**

*Refrain: God who watches over me, your hand I cannot
see, through my life you've come to be God who
watches over me.*

**Like a sheep I'd gone astray, lost in darkness all around:
then a Shepherd led the way; by whose grace now I am
found:**

Refrain

**When the evening shadows fall and I hear you call for me,
I will leave this world behind and your face my eyes will
see.**

Refrain



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through this QR code
Use smart phone camera; click link



Please stand as our gifts are presented, singing

F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C Bb Gm

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve

C⁷_{sus} C⁷ F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C

you; cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that

Gm F/A C F Am⁷ Dm⁷

I might be re - newed. So fill me and

Am⁷ Dm⁷ Gm⁷ Gm/D C⁷_{sus} C⁷

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 - our selves, 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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [Holy & Blessed, *Latin*]

Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho -

san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the One who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho -
 san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

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

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.**

P The body of Christ given for you.
 The blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei [Lamb Of God, Latin]

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

have mer - cy up - on us, — have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

have mer - cy up - on us, — have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.



HOLY COMMUNION

In-Person: We commune at the Altar.
Ushers will guide. All are welcome.

Wine is Red Grape Juice is 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."

Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

My Faith Looks Up To Thee (ELW 795)

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
 shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
 love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
 trust re - move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887
 Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

Blessed Assurance (ELW 638)

1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,

Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
 an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
 watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:

this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915. Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830-1908.

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

C **Amen.**

Post-Communion Canticle

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... God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

P The Benediction ✠.

C **Amen**

Sending *Lift High the Cross* (ELW 660)

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956. Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947. Text and music © 1974 Hope Publishing Company.

Silent Recessional

Let us pray... O Loving God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to abide forever. Grant us, dear God, in all our duties your help; in all our uncertainties your guidance; in all our dangers your protection; and in all our sorrows your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude ***Built on the Rock***

Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman (1812-1887)

Setting: Jacob B. Weber, C. 2017

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 Debbie Villavicencio, *organ*
 Toni Tharp, *flute & vocals*
 Jacob Groening, *trumpet, vocals*
 Karen Moxley, *violin, vocals*
 Dale Taylor, Chris Williams, *guitar, vocals*
 David Lakota, *bass*
 Christy Gibson, Pete Moxley, *vocals*
 Kelsey Helton, *clarinet, sax, vocals*
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COMMEMORATIONS THIS WEEK

John Wesley, died 1791; Charles Wesley, died 1788; renewers of the church Monday, March 2, 2026

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.

Perpetua and Felicity and companions, martyrs at Carthage, died 202 Saturday, March 7, 2026

Vibia Perpetua, a noblewoman, and Felicity, an enslaved woman, were catechumens at Carthage, northern Africa. They, with four other catechumens, had defied the Roman emperor who had forbidden conversions to Christianity, and were put to death in the amphitheater.



March 4 - great news for God & neighbor!

- Luke 6:36-50 & Matthew 25:35-40

March 11 - together the impossible is possible!

- Mark 6:32-44 & Ephesians 3:20-21

March 18 - protection and care for the vulnerable!

- Matthew 19:13-15 & Deuteronomy 24:17-22

March 25 - rooted in justice, mercy & faithfulness!

- John 8:2-11 & Matthew 23:23

March 27 - 29

- Family Retreat

March 29 - Palm Sunday

April 5 - Easter Sunday

- Sunrise Service - 6:30am
- Family Breakfast & Worship - 9:30am