

Welcome to St. John's Church



The Second Sunday In Lent

March 13, 2022

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO HYBRID WORSHIP

The health and safety of the most vulnerable in our congregation and community remains the highest concern to St. John's. Remember that many in our communities are not vaccinated; most of those under 5 years old, those who are immuno-compromised, and those who have chosen not to be fully vaccinated for other reasons. While many are now vaccinated, remember that a percentage of those vaccinated can contract the corona virus, and while their symptoms may be milder, they can also spread the virus to loved ones and friends back home. We have not quite yet reached herd immunity as a nation. So please remain vigilant in safety protocols, mindful of the risk in our community, masked indoors, social distancing and getting fully vaccinated if possible. And be assured that we will continue to 'live stream' our worship to both our St. John's YouTube Page and our St. John's Facebook page.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*The Liturgy for the Proclamation of the Word of God
and Celebration of the Holy Communion*

St. John's asks everyone to wear masks inside the church, whether vaccinated or not.

*Children's activity bags are available on the bench by the Baptistry.
Please return them after the Service.*

Choral Prelude *Miserere Mei, Domine* Orlando di Lasso (c. 1532-1594)
Translation: "Have mercy upon me, o Lord, according to your great mercy. Blot out, o Lord, my iniquity."

The Call to Worship with the tolling of the church bell

Opening Hymn # 146 *Now Let Us All With One Accord*

- 1 Now let us all with one accord,
in company with ages past,
keep vigil with our heavenly Lord
in his temptation and his fast.*
- 2 The covenant, so long revealed
to those of faith in former time,
Christ by his own example sealed,
the Lord of love, in love sublime.*
- 3 Your love, O Lord, our sinful race
has not returned, but falsified;
author of mercy, turn your face
and grant repentance for our pride.*
- 4 Remember, Lord, though frail we be,
in your own image were we made;
help us, lest in anxiety,
we cause your Name to be betrayed.*
- 5 Therefore, we pray you, Lord, forgive;
so when our wanderings here shall cease,
we may with you for ever live,
in love and unity and peace.*

A Penitential Order

The people standing, the Celebrant may say

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People ***His mercy endureth for ever.***

The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the Confession

Minister and People

***Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy 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 thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
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 thy holy Name. Amen.***

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

The Kyrie

Missa M'amie Un Jour

Jean Maillard (c.1515 - c.1570)

Translation:

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

INTRODUCTION: In our reading from the Hebrew Bible, we are told of the promise of many descendants and of a covenant guaranteeing a homeland which God has made with Abraham.

A Reading from the Scroll of Genesis (15:1-12, 17-18)

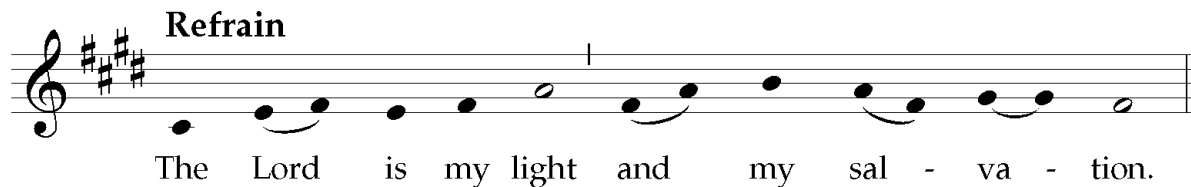
The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.” But he said, “O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 27 *the congregation is invited to join in the Refrain*



- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who
stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4 And though war should rise up against me, *
yet will I put my trust in him.
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;
one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe
in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.
- 10 Harken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.

- 12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 14 Though my father and my mother forsake me, *
the LORD will sustain me.
- 15 Show me your way, O LORD; *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.
- 16 Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, *
for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and also those who speak malice.
- 17 What if I had not believed
that I should see the goodness of the LORD *
in the land of the living!
- 18 O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure;
be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; *
wait patiently for the LORD.

INTRODUCTION: In this New Testament reading, Paul is in prison and offers himself as an example of centering oneself in Christ, in his sufferings, even though he is yet to understand Christ completely.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (3:17-4:1)

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn # 654

Day By Day

*1 Day by day,
dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:
to see thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly,
day by day.*

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

INTRODUCTION: In our Gospel this morning, Jesus is disdainful of King Herod's threat and expresses his determination to fulfill his prophetic destiny in Jerusalem.

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St. Luke (13:31-35)**

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman, Priest-in-Charge

"The Wanderer: Archetypes of the Spiritual Journey, part two"

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
He was conceived by power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary,*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand 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.*

The Prayers of the People

O gracious and compassionate God, help us to stand firm in the faith, despite our sins and weaknesses, and to pray in hope despite our fears, as we offer up to you the deepest needs of the world, responding to each petition by saying, “O Lord, have mercy upon us.”

The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the prayers

+ For the Church, the people of God, that we may not fear the voice of the prophet, the one who makes us uncomfortable, who shakes us up in order to turn us to God; let us pray to the Lord.

O Lord, have mercy.

+ That the leaders of the nations of the world may fear injustice more than any adversary, may see through the lies that keep our sisters and brothers in bondage, not heeding the liars, may respond to the cries of hungry children, not the voices of the powerful; let us pray to the Lord.

O Lord, have mercy.

+ That we may follow the ways and words of Jesus, dispelling the false promises of this world, to embrace our citizenship in heaven; let us pray to the Lord.

O Lord, have mercy.

+ That we may care for the young adults in our church, calling them by name, honoring their intelligence, sitting down and listening to their concerns and ideas; let us pray to the Lord.

O Lord, have mercy.

+ For those who sick and suffering in this midst of this pandemic, and for those in our midst for whom are prayers are asked, especially Bob Futh, Kathy Coe, and Jonathan Hall; let us pray to the Lord.

O Lord, have mercy.

+ For those who have died with the love of Christ on their hearts, that eternal life may be their reward; let us pray to the Lord.

O Lord, have mercy.

The Lord is our light and our salvation; in his strength we pause our prayers, so that all who are gathered may add their own concerns and thanksgiving, either silently in their hearts or aloud in our midst.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord, make us instruments of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. ***Amen.***

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

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

The Holy Communion

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with one of the sentences of Scripture.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Anthem *Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem* Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

The Great Thanksgiving

The Celebrant faces the congregation and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People ***It is meet and right so to do.***

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus *Missa M'amie Un Jour* Jean Maillard (c.1515 - c.1570)

Translation:

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious

death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Fraction Anthem S # 153



Agnus Dei

Missa M'amie Un Jour

Jean Maillard (c.1515 - c.1570)

Translation:

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

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.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

All baptized Christians of all ages and denominations are welcome to receive Communion in this place. This is God's house and the Lord's table, not ours

Communion will be distributed in one kind only, the bread, and will be received in the pews, as the Celebrant moves along to share. If an attendee does not wish to receive Communion, they need only to cross their hands over their chest so to signify. Others may receive as they wish, standing, kneeling, or seated. Please wait until the Celebrant has passed before removing your masks and consuming the bread.

Communion Hymn # 302

Father, We Thank Thee Who Hast Planted

***1 Father, we thank thee who hast planted
thy holy Name within our hearts.***

***Knowledge and faith and life immortal
Jesus thy Son to us imparts.***

***2 Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy pleasure,
didst give us food for all our days,
giving in Christ the Bread eternal;***

thine is the power, be thine the praise.

3 *Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mercy,
save it from evil, guard it still,
perfect it in thy love, unite it,
cleansed and conformed unto thy will.*

4 *As grain, once scattered on the hillsides,
was in this broken bread made one,
so from all lands thy Church be gathered
into thy kingdom by thy Son.*

for online worshippers, and for those who for other reasons choose not to receive, here is the Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant and People

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, we desire to offer our praise and thanksgiving. We present to thee our souls and bodies with the earnest desire that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive thee physically, we ask thou to come into our hearts spiritually. We embrace thee with all the affections of our souls, confident that nothing can ever separate us from the love God, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn # 401 *The God Of Abraham Praise*

- 1 The God of Abraham praise,
 who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,
 and God of love;
the Lord, the great I AM,
 by earth and heaven confessed:
we bow and bless the sacred Name
 for ever blest.*
- 2 He by himself hath sworn:
 we on his oath depend;
we shall, on eagle-wings upborne,
 to heaven ascend:
we shall behold his face,
 we shall his power adore,
and sing the wonders of his grace
 for evermore.*
- 3 There dwells the Lord, our King,
 the Lord, our Righteousness,
triumphant o'er the world and sin,
 the Prince of Peace;
on Zion's sacred height
 his kingdom he maintains,
and, glorious with his saints in light,
 for ever reigns.*
- 4 The God who reigns on high
 the great archangels sing,
and "Holy, holy, holy," cry,
 "Almighty King!
Who was, and is, the same,
 and evermore shall be:
eternal Father, great I AM,*

we worship thee.”

**5 The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high;
“Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!”
they ever cry;
hail, Abraham’s Lord divine!
With heaven our songs we raise;
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Congregation departs in silence.

Worship Ministers Today:

The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman, *Celebrant*

Tom Brand, *Organist & Choirmaster*

Tom Hollinger, *8:00 Reader*

Rebecca Bent, *10:00 Reader*

none available, *Veejay (VJ)*

Ginny Reynolds, MB Witt: *Altar Guild*

UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICES AT ST. JOHN’S

Sunday, March 13th, 7:30 p.m.

A Service of Compline, by the *Saecula Schola Cantorum*

Sunday, April 10th, 10:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday Service, with the chanting of the *Passion*

Thursday, April 14th, 6:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Service, with *foot-washing*

Friday, April 15th, 12:00 noon

Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Sunday, April 17th, 10:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday Festival High Mass

Sunday, April 17th, 11:30 a.m.

Coffee Hour with Children’s Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, June 11th, 4:00 p.m.

Piano Concert by *Alan Murchie*

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