



# *Lent at Saint Peter's*

## **The Second Sunday in Lent**



Sunday, February 25, 2024  
Ten-thirty in the morning



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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*Kindly enter the worship space quietly and reverently, so that all those seeking stillness may find it. We invite you, too, into a time and space of holy stillness. The following prayers are provided to assist you in your preparation for worship.*

## A Prayer for Quiet Confidence

*O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, and that in quietness and in confidence we shall find our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## A Prayer for the Spirit of Grace and Supplication

*O Almighty God, you pour out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## THE PRELUDE

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*Please stand for the Processional Hymn.*

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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“The God of Abraham praise”

*The Hymnal, 401*

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

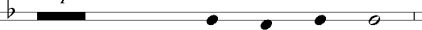
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*Celebrant*



✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People*



His mercy en - dures for ev - er.

## THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Matthew 22:37-40

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

## THE GENERAL CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Please kneel for the General Confession and Absolution.*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that 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.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Celebrant alone stands and pronounces the Absolution.*

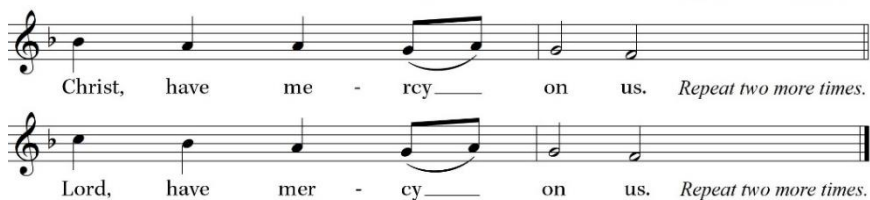
## THE ABSOLUTION

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 ELEISON

*John Merbecke*





## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Chanted*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

*Please kneel for the Collect.*

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

*Please be seated for the Old Testament Reading.*

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16**

A reading from Genesis.

When 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. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I 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. God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I 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."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **THE PSALTER**

Psalm 22:22-30

Praise the Lord, you that fear him; \*  
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;  
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

**For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither does he hide his face from them; \*  
but when they cry to him he hears them.**

My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*  
I will perform my vows  
in the presence of those who worship him.

**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*  
"May your heart live for ever!"**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, \*  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

**For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*  
he rules over the nations.**

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

**My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him; \*  
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.**

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*  
the saving deeds that he has done.

A reading from Romans.

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. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For 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, 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. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He 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. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gradual Hymn.*

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**THE GRADUAL HYMN****HOLLINGSIDE**

“Take my life and let it be”

*The Hymnal, 707*

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

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Mark 8:31-38

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

✠The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to teach his disciples 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. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But 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." He 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. For 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. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

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The Reverend Canon Ezgi Saribay Perkins, *The Rector*

*Please stand for the Nicene Creed.*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

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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. *(please bow or genuflect)*  
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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please kneel for the Prayers.*

Jesus Christ intercedes for us at all times. Together let us remember and pray to God through Christ, saying: Have mercy, O



Lord.

*Silence*

For the church, that the fasting of these forty days may clear away much that is needless and so open our eyes to the bright glory of the cross, we pray:

**Have mercy, O Lord.**

For the church, that those baptized at Easter will learn from us to read and ponder and cherish the scriptures, we pray:

**Have mercy, O Lord.**

For the children of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, that the Jewish people may find blessing and a zeal for justice in their covenant with God, we pray:

**Have mercy, O Lord.**

For all who suffer want, that God in mercy may turn our hearts toward one another and bring us to end our faithless reliance on weapons, war, and the threat of war, we pray:

**Have mercy, O Lord.**

For prisoners, that all who are bound in body may find such a strength of spirit to lift up all of us, we pray:

**Have mercy, O Lord.**

For ourselves, that this church may walk both as burdened and as free as Jesus, we pray:

**Have mercy, O Lord.**

For the Anglican Church of Tanzania, Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Oneida, Holy Cross Mission District Manyene, Masvingo, and St. John's Anglican Church, Izmir, Türkiye. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

For those on our Prayer List: Sister Charis, Donna, Audra, Evelyn, Sondra, Steve, Angelina, Owen, Barry, Elizabeth, Jeff, Diane, Linda, Robert, Cathleen, Pat, Caleb, Owen, Tim, Sally, Sarah, Julia, Ryan, Thomas, Katy, Bobby, and Tiffany. Are there others? (*Please observe a moment of silence.*) Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant then adds the following Collect.*

Father, all this we ask in the name of Christ, who died and rose for us, and whose coming in glory we await. Accept our prayers and praises, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please stand for the Peace.*

## **THE PEACE**

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The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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*See the Parish Announcements included with this leaflet.*

## **THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

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I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1*

*Please stand for the Offertory Hymn.*

## **THE OFFERTORY HYMN**

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**SONG 46**

“Draw nigh, and take the Body of the Lord”

*The Hymnal, 328*

*Please stand for Orate Fratres and the Great Thanksgiving.*

## **THE ORATE FRATRES**

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Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

**May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*Celebrant*                      *People*

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

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Lift up your hearts. 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. You bid your 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 your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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:

## THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

*John Merbecke*

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

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

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

*Please kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Eucharistic Prayer A

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." ✠

*Celebrant*



There - fore we pro - claim the mys - ter - y of faith:

*Celebrant and People*



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

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.

## THE CLOSING DOXOLOGY AND GREAT AMEN

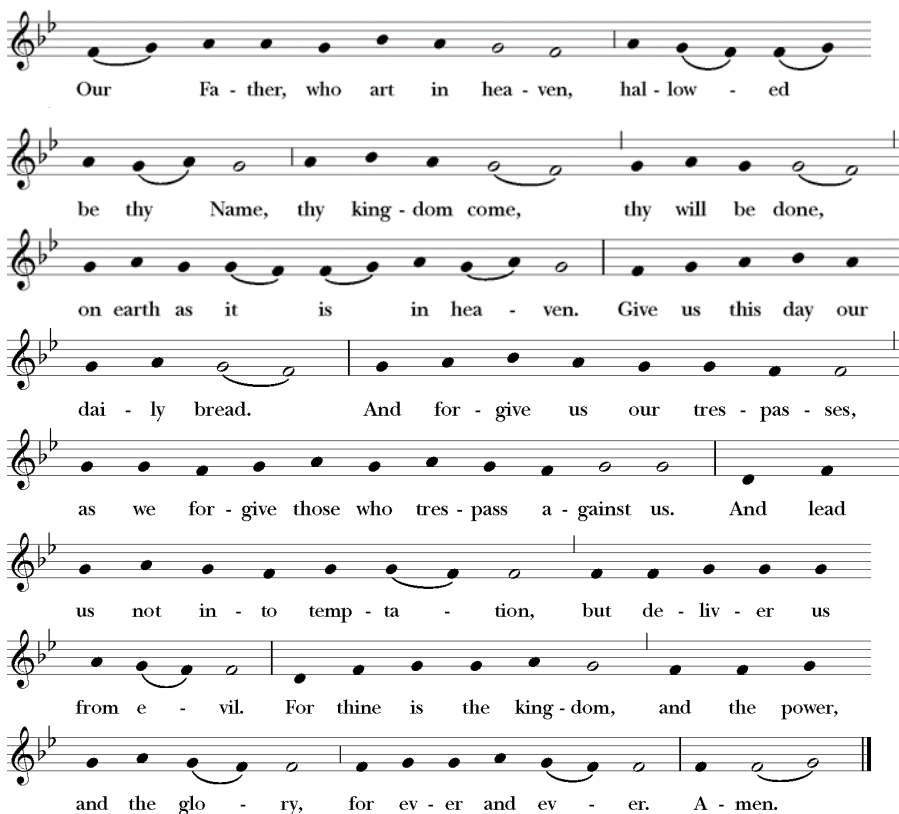
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him,

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**

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



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

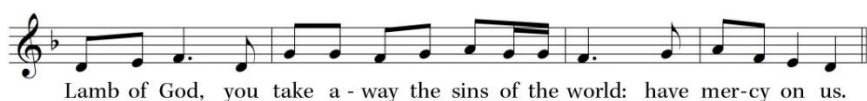
## **THE FRACTION**

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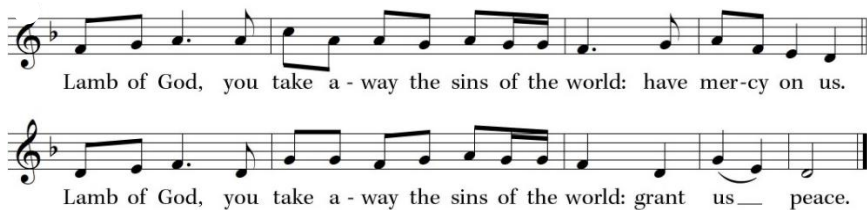
*Please observe a moment of silence.*

### **THE FRACTION ANTHEM**

*John Merbecke*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.



## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume

to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*We invite you to pray the following prayer silently before receiving Communion.*

*Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.*

## THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT

*All baptized Christians regardless of denomination are invited to come to the altar rail and receive the Holy Sacrament. Those who are unbaptized are encouraged to come to the rail and receive a blessing. Should you wish to receive a blessing, indicate this by folding your arms across your chest.*

*We invite you to pray the following prayer silently after receiving Communion.*

*O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left for us a memorial of your passion: Grant us, we pray, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## **THE COMMUNION VOLUNTARY**

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*Please sit for the Post-Communion Hymn.*

### **THE POST-COMMUNION HYMN**

**DUNEDIN**

“O Love of God, how strong and true”

*The Hymnal, 455*

### **THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

*Please kneel for the Post-Communion Prayer.*

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE SOLEMN PRAYER

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Bow down before the Lord.

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

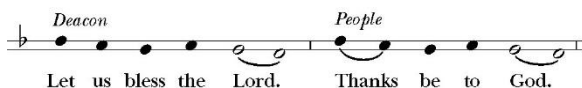
BOURBON

“Take up your cross, the Savior said”

*The Hymnal, 675*

## THE DISMISSAL

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*We invite you to pray the following prayer silently before exiting the pew.*

*Grant, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard today with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## THE POSTLUDE

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*Please join us in the Parish Hall for a time of fellowship and coffee.*









## **THE PARISH LEADERSHIP**

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