

Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

9:30 a.m.



Welcome to St. Patrick's!

If you are new to our parish or visiting with us, we are so glad you are here. Please sign our guest book in the narthex or fill out a pew card. Thank you for worshipping alongside us.

Children at St. Patrick's

We believe children point to the presence of the Holy Spirit during worship. Therefore, kids are welcome throughout the service. For younger children, ages 0 to 3 years old, we have nursery available staffed with 2 professional caregivers during this service. We also have Children's Chapel for children aged 4 years through 5th grade beginning at 9:30 a.m. You can drop your children off in the chapel and they will return to you in the sanctuary at the peace. Please ask the ushers if you need directions to the nursery or the chapel.

Hearing/Visually Impaired: Wireless hearing devices and large print materials are available. Please check with an usher for assistance in locating these if needed.

St. Patrick's Mission Statement: St. Patrick's joyfully welcomes and includes you in a journey of Christian faith through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

St. Patrick's Vision Statement: St. Patrick's continues to grow as a joyful community of faith. Through worship, friendship, education and outreach, we live a Christ-centered life, caring for each other and our neighbors as ourselves.

Prelude *O Man, Repent Your Grievous Sins*, J. S. Bach

Opening Hymn 427 *When morning gilds the skies*

The people standing, the Presider says

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

The Presider then says,

Jesus said, “the first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.”

The Deacon or Presider then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider and People

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 Presider 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.**

Kyrie

Lord, _____ have mer - cy, Lord, _____ have mer - cy.
Christ, _____ have mer - cy, Christ, _____ have mer - cy.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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.

A reading from the book of Genesis 12:1-4a

The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I 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.” So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.

7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.

8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans 4:1-5,13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. 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.

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Gradual Hymn 440 *Blessed Jesus, at thy word*

The Gospel: John 3:1-17 *(All stand.)*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ
according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 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 apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." 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?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, 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. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 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." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "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. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "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. "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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Nicene Creed

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,**

**who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

Prayers of the People, Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church
especially St. Mark's, Dayton;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church
may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority
in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially...
who are celebrating birthdays this week.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory Music *Winter's Largo*, Vivaldi, arr. Frank Voltz

The people's gifts of bread and wine, along with the collection, are brought to the Altar. (Please stand.)

Doxology

*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B with Expansive Language

The people remain standing. The Presider faces them and says

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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.

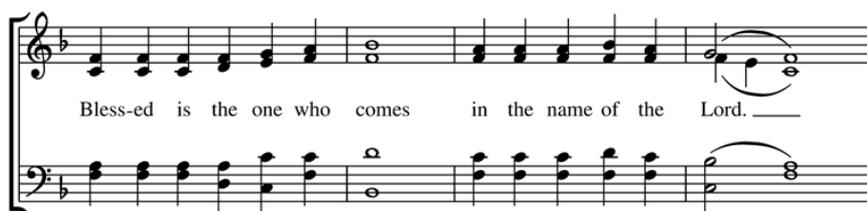
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord. —



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

The People stand or kneel. Then the Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

Presider

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

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

People and Presider

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Hymn

Lamb _____ of God, you take _____ a - way the

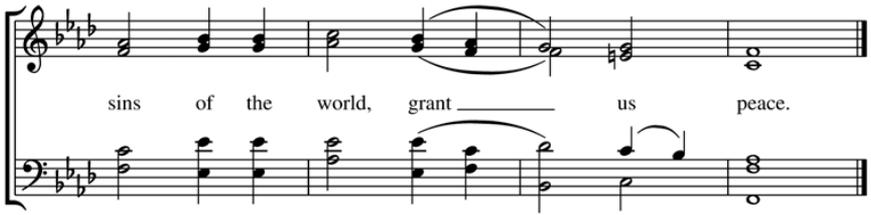
The first line of the Fraction Hymn consists of a treble and bass staff in G minor (three flats). The treble staff features a series of chords: G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5. The bass staff features a series of notes: G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4.

sins of the world, have _____ mer - cy on us.

The second line of the Fraction Hymn consists of a treble and bass staff in G minor. The treble staff features a series of chords: G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5, G4-Bb4-D5. The bass staff features a series of notes: G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4, G3, Bb3, D4.

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The Invitation

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All persons are invited to the Altar.

*If you choose to receive communion,
you may do so in one of the following ways:*

- *Consume the bread first and then sip from the cup.*
- *Intinction is strongly discouraged, however if you choose to intinct please simply leave the wafer in your hands. The chalice bearer will dip the wafer for you then hand it back to you.*
- *Communion in one kind, or both, is acceptable.*
If you prefer to not receive the wine, you may proceed to your seat after receiving the bread.
- *If you would like to receive a blessing only, please cross your hands over your chest as a signal to the ministers.*
- *If you want a gluten free wafer, please place your palms down when you approach the ministers.*

Communion Hymn LEVAS 194 *Lead me, guide me along the way*

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Presider 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.**

Eucharistic Visitor Sending *(if needed)*

Presider We send you out in the Name of God to those who
can't be here today bearing the body of Christ so they
may be the body of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 473 *Lift high the cross*

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Prelude and Fugue in F, J. S. Bach*

***Thank you for joining with us in worship this morning!
We invite you to continue your Sunday morning experience,
with fellowship and refreshments in the Parish Hall.
All are welcome!***

Today's Ministry Team

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Jason Emerson

Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Duffy

Music Director: Jennifer Bell

Streaming: Peter O'Neill

Lay Reader: Stephen Norris

Lectors: Kenyra Glasgow, Karen Mason

Crucifer: Isaac Emerson

Acolytes: Ayla Stains, Harlow Redman

Ushers: Ben & Sue Givens, Bob Butler, Becky Stains

Greeters: Tara Gleason, Jane Switzer

Children's Chapel Helper: Lisa Schmidt

Coffee Hour: Lewis, Raymond & Machesky Families

Lay Eucharistic Visitor: Angel Cinco, Doug Langenfeld

Altar Guild: Mary Horton, Suzanne Holliday, Lynette Palmer

Counters: Chris Nelson, Rick Sicker

Hospitality Table: Terri & Thomas Clark

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