



HOLY EUCHARIST- 10:00 A.M.
THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

THE REVEREND NOELLE YORK-SIMMONS, *Rector*
THE REVEREND BETH BINGHAM, *Associate Rector*

THE REVEREND ROBBIE LAUGHTON, *Associate Rector*
KEVIN CRILEY, ABBY MERK, EMILY MEEKS, *Seminarians*
Childcare is available in the Parish House for children 5 and under

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The People stand

THE GREAT LITANY

Enriching Our Worship

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,



Have mer-cy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,

Have mercy on us.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,



Sa-vior de-liver us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,
Savior deliver us.

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,

Savior deliver us.

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,

Savior deliver us.

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgement,

Savior deliver us.

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation,

Savior deliver us.

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign,

Savior deliver us.

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,
Savior deliver us.

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,
Savior deliver us.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.



Hear us, O Christ.

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.
Hear us, O Christ.

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.
Hear us, O Christ.

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.
Hear us, O Christ.

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.
Hear us, O Christ.

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.
Hear us, O Christ.

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.
Hear us, O Christ.

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.
Hear us, O Christ.

Give your wisdom and strength to Donald, the President of the United States, Abigail, the Governor of this state, and Alyia, the Mayor of this city, that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good.
Hear us, O Christ.

Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, those who serve in our state legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth.
Hear us, O Christ.

Bless the justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people.
Hear us, O Christ.

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.
Hear us, O Christ.

Bless and keep all your people,
Hear us, O Christ.

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.
Hear us, O Christ.

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.
Hear us, O Christ.

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit, provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.
Hear us, O Christ.

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.
Hear us, O Christ.

Show your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.
Hear us, O Christ.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.
Hear us, O Christ.

Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.
Hear us, O Christ.

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

(Sung three times)

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,



Have mer-cy on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All children through third grade are invited to Children's Chapel. Parents may accompany them and then return to the Church. The children will return before the Peace.

The People stand and sing.

HYMN 149

Eternal Lord of Love, behold your Church

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THE GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The People stand and say

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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,
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 and the Son,
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.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray,
Teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
As thou did hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord,
To die to self and chiefly live by thy most holy word.
And through these days of penitence, and through your Passiontide,
Yes, evermore, in life and death, Jesus, with us abide!

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

The People stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING / EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth... 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:

SANCTUS S 124

Hurd

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

The People stand or kneel.

Celebrant Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption... 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

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

The People say

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

AGNUS DEI S 161

Hurd

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

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

To receive communion, please follow the ushers to the altar. Upon placing your hands forward, you will receive a wafer. You may consume it and then receive the wine from the chalice or hold onto the wafer and the chalice-bearer will intinct it for you.

You may also cross your hands over your chest for a blessing to receive neither element or not to receive the wine.

HYMN 693

Just as I am

Woodworth

After all have received, the people pray

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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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.

The people kneel

THE SOLEMN PRAYER, LENT I

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize our weakness and put our whole trust in your strength, so that we may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 143

The glory of these forty days

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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

In observance of Lent, there is no postlude.

THE CHANCEL ARRANGEMENTS ARE GIVEN

In memory of Henry and Sara Lowenhaupt

WE PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED

Gary Wright, Barbara Cooley, Drue Reynolds Hurd, Brewster Taylor, the Rev. Jesse Jackson

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY OVERSEAS

Kate Ballard, Holly Prousalis, Omar Sharif, the Hood, Doherty, Jennings, and Streyder families

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH

Bonnie-Lorraine Thiele, Mary Crow, Gladys Hook, LaVerne Scott-Rayford, David Caleb, Gail & Ridge Multop, Helen Lewis, Susanne O'Neill, Carol Lafley, Linda Hoekstra, Kathleen McCulloch, Murat Omay, Kathie Nelson, the Rev. Bruce Stewart, Rick Newcomb, Mike Hodges, Elspeth Kelly Crawford and her family, Bill Schaufler, Debbie Baker, Lloyd & Diane MacAskill, Nemat Hosseini, John Bergin

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