



**HOLY EUCHARIST- 10:00 A.M.  
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT  
SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 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*

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ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*The People stand*

**HYMN 603**

When Christ was lifted from the earth

*St. Botolph*

THE ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* **God's mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

*The People kneel.*

THE DECALOGUE

Hear the commandments of God to his people:  
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Honor your father and your mother.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not steal.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not be a false witness.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

## THE 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 people stand and sing*

KYRIE S86

Hurd

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

*The People are seated.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

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* 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 are seated.*

**THE SECOND LESSON**

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.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

*The People stand and sing.*

HYMN 147

Now let us all with one accord

*Bourbon*

**THE GOSPEL**

John 3:1-17

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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."

*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*

**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 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*The reader concludes each petition with*

Lord in your mercy,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

**THE PEACE**

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

**BIRTHDAY PRAYER**

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Cherub Choir and The Canterbury Choir

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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 671

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound

*New Britain*

*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 II

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.**

### HYMN 473

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim

*Crucifer*

### 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 Robert & Myrle Sult*

**WE PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED**

Kate Coakley Vitt, Jack Rattikin III, John Prevar

**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, Elspeth Kelly Crawford and her family, Bill Schauffler, Debbie Baker, Lloyd & Diane MacAskill, Nemat Hosseini, John Bergin, Doug Mitchell, Emily Craine, Alex Beau & Cher Stepanek

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