

The Word of God

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN *Now let us all with one accord (Bourbon)* (H 147)

KYRIE *Lord, have mercy upon us (Schubert/Proulx)* (S 96)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

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 LESSONS

FIRST READING: *Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7*

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but 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."

¹⁸Now 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'?" ¹⁹The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ²⁰but 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.'" ²¹But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ²²for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ²³So 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. ²⁴Then 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.

PSALM 32

The choir begins, all respond with the verses in bold.

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are for- / -given, *
and whose sin is / put away!

²Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no / guilt, *
and in whose spirit there / is no guile!

³While I held my tongue, my bones withered a- / -way, *
because of my groaning / all day long.

⁴For your hand was heavy upon me / day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the / heat of summer.

⁵Then I acknowledged my / sin to you, *
and did not con- / -ceal my guilt.

⁶I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the / Lord." *
Then you forgave me the / guilt of my sin.

⁷Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of / trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they / shall not reach them.

⁸You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from / trouble; *
you surround me with / shouts of deliverance.

⁹"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should / go; *
I will guide you / with my eye.

¹⁰Do not be like horse or mule, which have no under- / -standing; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will / not stay near you.

¹¹Great are the tribulations of the / wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who / trust in the Lord.

¹²Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the / Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are / true of heart.

SECOND READING: *Romans 5:12-19*

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹²Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE INTROIT *Forty days and forty nights* (*Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*) (H 150, v. 1 & 2)

GOSPEL: *Matthew 4:1-11*

Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹[After Jesus was baptized, he] was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying 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.'

⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'

¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE *Forty days and forty nights* (*Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*) (H 150, v. 3, 4 & 5)

THE SERMON

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP Form III p. 387)

THE CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 360)

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Come, Friends and Relations, Early American Traditional (arr. Fenstermaker)

Come, friends and relations, let's join hearts and hands;

The voice of the turtle is heard in the land.

Let's all walk together and follow the sound,

And march to the place where redemption is found.

The place it is hidden, the place it is seal'd,

The place it is hidden till it is revealed;

The place is in Jesus, to Jesus we'll go,

And there find redemption from sorrow and woe.

That place it is hidden by reason of sin;

Alas! you can't see the sad state you are in!

You're blind and polluted, in prison and pain;

O how can such rebels redemption obtain?

But if you are wounded and bruised by the fall,

Then up and be doing, for you he doth call;

And if you are tempted to doubt and despair,

Then come home to Jesus, redemption is there.

And you, my dear brethren, that love my dear Lord,

Have witness for pardon, through faith in his blood;

Let patience attend you wherever you go,

Your Savior has purchased redemption for you.

