



St. Paul's

# THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, March 8, 2026 · 10:30 a.m.

## Prelude

**Hymn in Procession #522** Glorious things of thee are spoken

*Austria*

## A PENITENTIAL ORDER

### Opening Acclamation

*All stand as you are able*

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endureth for ever.**

### The Decalogue

*The Celebrant says*

God spake these words, and said:

I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honor thy father and thy mother.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt do no murder.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not steal.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not covet.  
**Lord have mercy upon us,  
and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

## Confession of Sin

*The Celebrant then says*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our  
own hearts,  
we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to  
have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to  
have done.**

**But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,  
restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## Kyrie eleison

John Merbecke

*Celebrant and People*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer -  
cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

# THE WORD OF GOD

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## The First Lesson

Exodus 17:1-7

YOU MAY READ ALONG WITH THE LESSON IN THE RED PEW BIBLE ON PAGE 56.

In our first lesson the people are at the point of rebellion because they are without water in the wilderness.

*After the reading, the Reader says:*

*People* The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 95 *Venite, exultemus*

*The Choir introduces the Refrain, and all repeat.*

*The Congregation then sings the refrain with the Choir where noted.*

**Refrain**



To-day if you would hear God's voice, hard - en not your hearts.

- 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. **Refrain**
- 3 For the LORD is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land. **Refrain**
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice! **Refrain**
- 8 Harden not your hearts,  
as your forebears did in the wilderness, \*  
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,  
when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test, \*  
though they had seen my works. **Refrain**

*continued on next page...*

**Refrain**

To-day if you would hear God's voice, hard - en not your hearts.

10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said, \*  
 "This people are wayward in their hearts;  
 they do not know my ways."  
 11 So I swore in my wrath, \*  
 "They shall not enter into my rest." **Refrain**

**The Second Lesson**

Romans 5:1-11

YOU MAY READ ALONG WITH THE LESSON IN THE RED PEW BIBLE ON PAGE 917.

In our second lesson Paul bids disciples to rejoice in the reconciliation and hope which are theirs because of the sacrifice of Christ on behalf of sinners.

*After the reading, the Reader says:*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn #456** O Love of God, how strong and true

*de Tar*

**Gospel Acclamation**

*All remain standing for the Gospel.*

*The choir sings a gospel acclamation, and the congregation repeats it.*

Praise to you O Christ, King of e-ter-nal glo - ry.

*A cantor sings the appointed tract from Scripture:*

Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water that I may never thirst again. (Jn 4:42,15)

*All sing the gospel acclamation.*

**The Gospel**

John 4:5-42

*Deacon*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People*

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

YOU MAY READ ALONG WITH THE LESSON IN THE RED PEW BIBLE ON PAGES 864-865.

Our gospel lesson is the story of Jesus' meeting with the Samaritan woman by Jacob's well.

*Deacon*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Rev'd David Sibley

*The sermon is followed by a time of silent reflection.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

*All stand as you are able. The Celebrant and People say together.*

**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.  
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

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*The Intercessor continues*

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Gretchen, our Bishop, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Donald, our President, Bob, our governor, and all legislators, judges, and all in public service, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Bonnie, Suzanne, Rich, Tracey, Chad, Lexus, Craig, Mark, Stella, Bran, Barbara, Cooper, Lyle, Doug, Terry, Evelyne, Lisa, Ann, Kathy, Krista, John, Cindylee, Joel, Steve, Ellane, Laurence, Larry, Carol, Marsha, Nadine, ... and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those with whom we share in Christ's ministry in our diocese, and around the world. We pray especially for the Anglican Communion, and especially for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. We pray for the Diocese of Spokane, and especially for the continued growth of our congregations.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially...] beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Paul, our patron, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

*Silence*

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

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*All stand as you are able.*

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

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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Hymn #343** Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

*St. Agnes*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer I

*All stand as you are able*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spi - rit.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them up un - to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

*People* It is meet and right so to do.

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounded duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God...

*The Celebrant continues, offering our thanks for God's work in creation and for God's revelation to God's people throughout the ages. Then the Celebrant says:*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Celebrant and People*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts:  
 Heaven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be  
 to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant continues:*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

*The prayer continues, recounting and remembering the Lord's institution of the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist at the last supper to feed God's faithful people throughout this life and in the ages to come.*

*The Celebrant names before God our offering of the gifts of bread and wine according to Jesus' commandment and prays that the gift the Holy Spirit will descend upon the gifts, that we may receive Christ's Body and Blood. We also pray we would offer the whole of ourselves to the work of God in the world, and find, through our receiving of the Sacrament, that Christ dwells in us and we in him.*

*The Celebrant concludes:*

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
 A - men.

## The Lord's Prayer

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

**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.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

## Fraction Anthem *Agnus Dei*

John Merbecke

*Celebrant and People*

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the  
sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the  
sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the  
sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

## Prayer of Humble Access

*The people join in saying*

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in thy manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.  
But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.  
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood,  
that we may evermore dwell in him,  
and he in us. Amen.**

## The Holy Communion

*The Celebrant says the following invitation: The Gifts of God for the People of God.*

*The ministers receive the sacrament in both kinds, and then deliver it to the people.*

### ***All are invited to come to God's table.***

*All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are invited and encouraged to receive Holy Communion.*

*Those who are not baptized, or those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion, may cross their arms over their chests to receive a blessing.*

*If you would like to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to one of the clergy after the liturgy;  
it would be our joy to walk with you as you enter into life in the body of Christ.*

*Following the invitation the congregation may be seated and then come forward at the direction of the ushers.*

*All wafers used for Holy Communion are gluten free.*

## Communion Hymn #141 Wilt thou forgive that sin

*So giebst du nun*

## Post Communion Prayer

*All stand as you are able.*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we most heartily thank thee  
for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries,  
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us;  
and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son,  
the blessed company of all faithful people;  
and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.  
And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father,  
so to assist us with thy grace,  
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,  
and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## Welcome and Announcements

### Birthday; Anniversary; Milestone Prayer

*Any worshipper with a birthday, anniversary, or milestone to mark is invited to come forward at this time.*

*Offerings are accepted to benefit outreach ministries at St. Paul's, however, no offering is necessary to come forward for prayer.*

**O God, our times are in your hand. Look with favor on your servants in the journey of *their* lives. 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.**

### Solemn Prayer over the People

*During Lent, in place of the regular blessing, a solemn prayer over the people is used.*

*Deacon* Bow down before the Lord.

*The people kneel and the Celebrant says*

Look mercifully on this thy family, Almighty God, that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Dismissal

*Deacon* Let us bless the Lord.

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

**Hymn in Procession #495** Hail, thou once despised Jesus!

*In Babilone*

### Postlude

*We warmly welcome you to join us for refreshments in Campbell Hall following our service,  
and, if you're visiting for the first time, we'd love to get to know you!*

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We believe Jesus when he says that by his life, death, and resurrection, "I will draw all people to myself." Following his example, St. Paul's warmly invites all people - of all ages, races, means, politics, sexual orientations, and gender identities - to grow as Jesus' disciples together with us and fully participate in our church's sacramental life.

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# Hymn in Procession #522 Glorious things of thee are spoken

Austria

*Descant*

4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty  
 2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -  
 3 Round each ha - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and  
 4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

deem - er's blood! Whom their souls re -

of our God; he whose word can - not be  
 ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and  
 fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a  
 deem - er's blood! Je - sus, whom their souls re -

ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;  
 daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.  
 cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.  
 ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

'Tis his love his peo - ple raise o - ver

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy  
 Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their  
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and  
 'Tis his love his peo - ple rais - es o - ver self to

self to reign and as priests, his

sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -  
 thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the  
 shade by day, safe they feed up - on the  
 reign as kings: and as priests, his sol - emn

sol - emn prais - es each an of - fering brings.

round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.  
 giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.  
 man - na which he gives them when they pray.  
 prais - es each for a thank - of - fering brings.

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## Hymn #456 O Love of God, how strong and true

*de Tar*

1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal  
 2 (O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous) Love, we read thee  
 3 (We read thee best in him who) came to bear for  
 4 (We read thy power to bless and) save e'en in the

and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -  
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -  
 us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on  
 dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion

bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all  
 low, in seas that swell and streams that  
 high, our life to live, our death to  
 light we read the full - ness of thy

thought.  
 flow.  
 die.  
 might.

2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous  
 3 We read thee best in him who  
 4 We read thy power to bless and

# Offertory Hymn #343 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

St. Agnes

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen  
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy  
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not  
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the  
word of grace, in strength of which we  
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with  
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.  
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

# Communion Hymn #141 Wilt thou forgive that sin

*So giebst du nun*

1 Wilt thou for-give that sin, where I be-gun,  
 2 Wilt thou for-give that sin, by which I won  
 3 I have a sin of fear that when I've spun

which is my sin, though it were done be-fore?  
 o - thers to sin, and made my sin their door?  
 my last thread, I shall per-ish on the shore;

Wilt thou for-give those sins through which I run,  
 Wilt thou for-give that sin which I did shun  
 swear by thy-self, that at my death thy Son

and do run still, though still I do de-plore?  
 a year or two, but wal-lowed in a score?  
 shall shine as he shines now, and here-to-fore.

When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.  
 When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.  
 And hav-ing done that, thou hast done, I fear no more.

# Hymn in Procession #495 Hail, thou once despised Jesus!

*In Babilone*



1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -  
2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on  
3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er  
\*4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy



le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;  
thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,  
to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,  
to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,



thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal  
thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -  
seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art  
right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic



Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it  
giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the  
plead - ing: there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us  
spi - rits, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our



we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name  
gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.  
in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.  
Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!