



**St. Paul's Episcopal Church,
Rock Creek Parish
Diocese of Washington**



**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
Holy Eucharist -- Rite Two
10:30 AM**

Sunday, February 21, 2021

Join via Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/550879335>

Passcode: **807401**

Prelude

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue *(kneeling)*

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.

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." *Mark 12:29-31*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister 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.

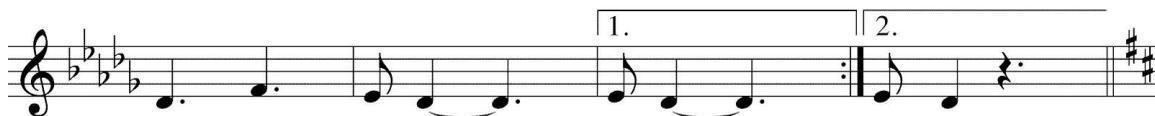
The Priest stands and says

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 Eleison



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



mer - cy, mer - cy, mer - cy.
mer - cy, mer - cy, mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy,



mer - cy, mer - cy, mer - cy, mer - cy. Lord, have



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Music: *The Sound of My People*, M. Roger Holland II, © 2010, GIA Publications, Inc.

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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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

The Response

Psalm 25:1-9

Sung by the Cantor

1. To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
2. Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
3. Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
4. Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
5. Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
6. Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
7. Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
8. He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
9. All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Epistle

1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him..

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

Lord, who throughout these forty days

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1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - tory win,
3 As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,
4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,
5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.
3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898) Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

The Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

After the announcement, all say **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The

time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Fr. Johnson

The Nicene Creed *(by all, standing)*

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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: 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 Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Let us pray for **Joe**, our President, the **Congress of the United States**, the **Supreme Court**, **Muriel**, our Mayor; and for this community, the nation, and the world.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

We pray for the sick and suffering of our parish, including : [**Virginia Keane, Jean Ringuette, Joan Williams, Paula S.F. Marshall, and Susannah Cernojevich**]. Let us pray for all others whose health and well being have been entrusted to our prayers, including: [**Sarah Woodbury, Bezelle Thomas, Bessie Mann, Marla Jones, Raven Taylor and family, Jeff Wilkerson, Ashley Walker and family, Bernard Walker, Beverly Taylor, Rosemary Nabor, Louise Cade, Kathy Mahoney and family, Andrea Rodgers, Jeannette Brownson and family, Booker Diggins, III, Joy Warde, Tiffany Fleming-Withrow, Evelyn Clay, Kathy Butler, Michael Mann, Al Moffet, Dave Morentz, William Bailey, Lauvinia Alston, Joetta Chaplin, and Mark Firley**]. Let us pray for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

In the Anglican Communion, pray for **Justin**, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and for The Church of the Province of Central Africa. Pray for The Episcopal Church in Cuba, Church of Santa Maria, and **The Rev. Yordanis Acosta**, Rector. **In the diocese**, pray for Chapel of the Episcopal Center for Children; and Rosemont Center. For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Let us pray for **Michael**, our Presiding Bishop; **Mariann**, our Bishop; **Chilton**, our Assisting Bishop; **Allan** and **Douglas**, our priests; all who minister here at St. Paul's; and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in His church.

For the special needs of this congregation.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord:

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace *(by all)*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory



Please consider making your contribution to St. Paul's Saints' via our online giving portal at <https://www.stpaulsrockcreek.org/give-online/>. Due to the pandemic and our inability to gather in person, we experienced a shortfall in plate giving in 2020 pledge giving. Your gift provides support for our worship, ministries, and programs. Thank you for worshipping, sharing, and prayerfully supporting the life and ministries here at St. Paul's.

You may also support the mission and ministry of this parish by going to your Realm account and selecting "Giving."

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Presentation of the Offerings and Doxology

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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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 him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant 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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 Lord 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 he 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**

The Lord's Prayer

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People and Celebrant

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 Fraction

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: ***Therefore let us keep the feast.***

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **grant us peace.**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Prayers when we cannot receive Holy Communion

Lord Jesus, I believe you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart so I may welcome your presence with joy. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer (*Celebrant and People*)

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Blessing

Announcements

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL GUESTS AND VISITORS WORSHIPING WITH US THIS MORNING!! Please take the time to fill out a welcome card and join us for Coffee Hour immediately following the service. Fellowship is an important part of our Christian life and we look forward to seeing you.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Challenge to St. Paul's Members: Fr. Douglas has challenged the congregation with the following:

The Ash Wednesday Liturgy that began our Lenten journey calls on the Lord to "Accept our repentance for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty." In the spirit of repentance and in generosity to our neighbors in need, we invite you to offer support for both our immediate neighbors and our distant neighbors.

This year's contribution goal of \$2500 will again support the St. Paul's ministry partnership with the Capital Area Food Bank and the migrant ministry of the Church of the Holy Ghost, Genoa, Italy.

We invite your contributions at: <https://www.stpaulsrockcreek.org/give-online/>

WORSHIP SCHEDULE & CALENDAR

Sundays at St. Paul's

Upcoming Events at St. Paul's

March 8th Finance Committee Meeting, Zoom @6 PM
March 16th Vestry Meeting, Zoom @7 PM
March 28th **Palm Sunday**

February 2021

Birthdays

Quintina Hampton 5 th	Cameron Young 18 th
Benjamin Johnson-Bailey 8 th	Lauren Howie 20 th
Kayla Robinson 8 th	Sierra Grimsley 25 th
Chandra Lewis 17 th	Paula Marshall 27 th

Anniversaries

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:00 a.m......**10:30 a.m.**

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LECTORS

Old Testament

George Gordon Lauren Olson

Epistle

Iris Snowden..... Jeremy Roither

Prayers of the People

Barbara Walker Royan Miller-Morgan



Mission Statement

To be one family in Christ using our gifts and resources; and to respond to the spiritual, social and human needs of our parish and community.

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