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# THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Holy Eucharist Rite II - 9:30 a.m. March 23, 2025

# **SUNDAY SERVICES**

8:00 Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the house of God. Before the service speak to the Lord; during the service let the Lord speak to you; After the service speak to one another.

# The Rector's Welcome

Welcome to Saint John's Church during the Season of Lent. We have a lot going on this season for you to take the opportunity to renew your relationship with Jesus. First, we have tremendous opportunities for formation on Wednesday nights. We are offering a class titled "In the Footsteps of Jesus" which will chronicle Jesus's travels during his time on Earth. We also have Stations of the Cross led by the clergy each Wednesday at 5:30p.m. in the church. Dinner will follow Stations of the Cross.

As we prayerfully and excitedly approach the feast of the Resurrection, Easter, my prayer is that St. John's will continue to grow, continue to represent Jesus to our community, and continue to show the love of God to everyone who walks through our doors. If you still need to become a member of this community, what are you waiting for? Join us in our mission to proclaim, by word and example, the good news of God in Christ and to build a spiritual community forming Christians of all ages through education, worship, and outreach.

Faithfully,

Fr. Chr. Word+

The Rev. Christian M. Wood

Rector

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## Processional Hymn 401

Leoni



## PROPER ACCLAMATION

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

People His mercy endures for ever.

## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* 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

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your 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.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare all those who confess their faults, restore all those who are penitent,

according to your 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 your holy Name. Amen.

#### Celebrant

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

KYRIE S-89 Hans Leo Hassler



#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in 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 lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

The People sit

THE LESSON Exodus 3:1-15

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Mid'ian; and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush; and he looked, and lo, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt." When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here am I." Then he said, "Do not come near; put off your shoes from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters; I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Per'izzites, the Hivites, and the Jeb'usites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring forth my people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt?" He said, "But I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought forth the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God upon this mountain." Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I am has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': this is my name for ever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

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

**GRADUAL:** PSALM 63:1-9 (COVERDALE TRANSLATION)

John Camidge

Sung by the choir

O God, thou art my God: early will I seek thee.

2 My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee: in a barren and dry land where no water is.

- 3 Thus have I looked for thee in holiness: that I might behold thy power and glory.
- 4 For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself: my lips shall praise thee.
- 5 As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner: and lift up my hands in thy Name.

- 6 My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness: when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.
- 7 Have I not remembered thee in my bed: and thought upon thee when I was waking?
- 8 Because thou hast been my helper: therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.
- 9 My soul hangeth upon thee: thy right hand hath upholden me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

*Lector* A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

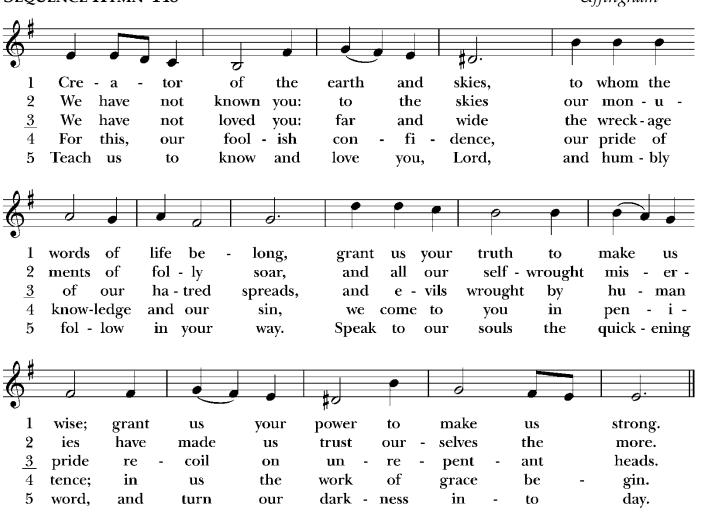
I want you to know, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same supernatural food and all drank the same supernatural drink. For they drank from the supernatural Rock which followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless with most of them God was not pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness. Now these things are warnings for us, not to desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to dance." We must not indulge in immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put the Lord to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents; nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as a warning, but they were written down for our instruction, upon whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let any one who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand

Pre-K and Elementary School-aged children now follow the cross to Children's Chapel



THE GOSPEL Luke 13:1-9

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There were some present at that very time who told Jesus of the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered thus? I tell you, No; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen upon whom the tower in Silo'am fell and killed them, do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, No; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish." And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, 'Lo, these three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down; why should it use up the ground?' And he answered him, 'Let it alone, sir, this year also, till I dig about it and put on manure. And if it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON Father Van Wormer

The people sit

## THE NICENE CREED (standing)

Celebrant and people

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 (Form I)

Deacon or other leader

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, Tampa, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the	sick,	, for thos	se in	hospital,	 and	for	those	in
hospice,	, let	us pray to the	ne Lor	d.				

## Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

[For the recent faithful departed, \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ in whose memory the altar flowers are dedicated today,] for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

# Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

# Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed John, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

## To thee, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds this concluding collect

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE PEACE

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

People And also with you.

The people sit

#### **GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Offertory Sentence**

# **Offertory Anthem** *Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord*

Richard Farrant

Sung by the choir

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord And cast not off thy servant in thy displeasure; For we confess our sins unto thee And hide not our unrighteousness For thy mercy's sake Deliver us from all our sins

All stand

## Doxology Hymn 142, stanza 3

St. Flavian

As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord, to die to self, and chiefly live by thy most holy word.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

Celebrant

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

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 and Benedictus S-130

Franz Schubert

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

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

The people remain standing as they are able

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and people

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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**.

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

Celebrant and people

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, forever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread after which the following is sung

#### Fraction Anthem S-164

Franz Schubert

Jesus, Lamb of God: Have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace.



All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest).

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

Communion Motet Call to remembrance, O Lord

Richard Farrant

Sung by the choir

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy and thy loving kindness which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth, but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

All stand

## Communion Hymn 309

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen

- 1. O Food to pilgrims given,
  O Bread of life from heaven,
  O Manna from on high!
  We hunger; Lord, supply us,
  nor thy delights deny us,
  whose hearts to thee draw nigh.
- 2. O stream of love past telling, O purest fountain, welling from out the Savior's side! We faint with thirst; revive us, of thine abundance give us, and all we need provide.

3. O Jesus, by thee bidden, we here adore thee, hidden in forms of bread and wine. Grant when the veil is riven, we may behold, in heaven, thy countenance divine.

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 SOLEMN PRAYER AND BLESSING

Celebrant

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

And the ♥ blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

#### THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon gives the Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.





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