

# SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

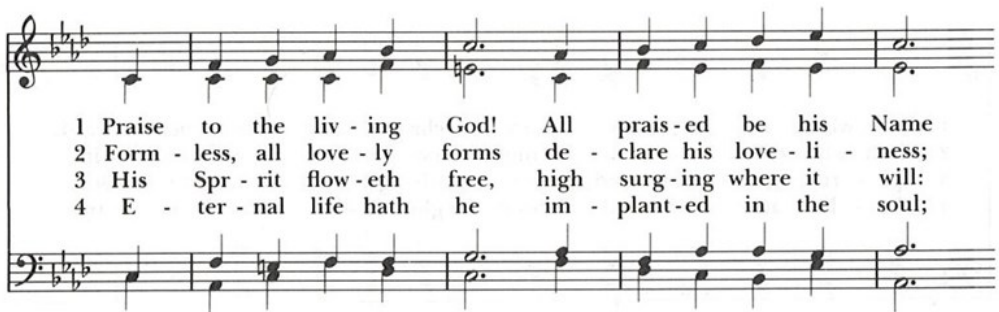
Welcome to worship at St. Peter's Episcopal Church!  
We are glad that you are here. Please join us for coffee after this service.

## THE WORD OF GOD

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

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OPENING HYMN: "Praise to the Living God!" (Hymn 372)



1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name  
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;  
3 His Spr - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:  
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.  
 ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.  
 in pro-phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.  
 his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:  
 Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,  
 Es - tab-lished is his law, and change-less it shall stand,  
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!  
 and ev - ery-where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.  
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.  
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926)  
 Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

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Priest Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

Priest 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.

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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All 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.

Priest 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 (S-96) (The people stand.)*

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

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

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

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

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. Lord, -

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

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

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

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

## THE WORD OF THE LORD

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest 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 FIRST LESSON (Exodus 20:1-17)

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work— you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Lector    The Word of the Lord.

People    **Thanks be to God.**

*Please join the choir in chanting the psalm.*

## THE PSALM (Psalm 19)

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1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,

- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

## THE SECOND LESSON (1 Corinthians 1:18-25)

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### SEQUENCE HYMN: "Lord Jesus, Think On Me" (Hymn 641)

1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;  
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, with care and woe op-pressed;  
3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;  
4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is passed,  
from harm - ful pas-sions set me free, and make me pure with - in.  
let me thy lov-ing ser - vant be, and taste thy prom-ised rest.  
through dark - ness and per-plex - i - ty point thou the heav-en-ly way.  
I may the e-ter - nal bright-ness see, and share thy joy at last.

Words: Synesius of Cyrene (375?-414?); tr. Allen William Chatfield (1808-1896), alt.  
Music: Southwell, from *Daman's Psalter*, 1579; adapt. *Hymnal* 1982

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## THE GOSPEL (John 2: 13-22)

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON

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## THE NICENE CREED

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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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*The people stand or kneel.*)

BCP 385

*Please join in praying our Clergy Search prayer.*

Almighty God, you know the needs of your Church in every place: Look graciously upon St. Peter's Church and grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new priest for this parish. Give us discernment, wisdom, and confidence in your timing. Guide the members of St. Peter's Vestry, as they labor to be faithful in seeking your will. We pray for the life of St. Peter's Parish that we may continue in our mission to proclaim not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Christ's sake. Amen.

Intercessor I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop, Brian; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence.*

Intercessor I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence.*

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence.*

Intercessor I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence.*

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.  
*Silence.*

Intercessor Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.  
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.  
*Silence.*

*The Priest adds a concluding Collect.*

## THE PEACE

*Please stand and greet one another.*

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE OFFERTORY

*As the Eucharistic table is set, the ushers collect offerings from the congregation.*

*If you prefer to make an online donation, please use this QR code.*



OFFERTORY HYMN: "Creator of the Earth and Skies" (Hymn 148)



1 Cre - a - tor of the earth and skies, to whom the  
2 We have not known you: to the skies our mon - u -  
3 We have not loved you: far and wide the wreck-age  
4 For this, our fool - ish con - fi - dence, our pride of  
5 Teach us to know and love you, Lord, and hum - bly



1 words of life be - long, grant us your truth to make us  
2 ments of fol - ly soar, and all our self - wrought mis - er -  
3 of our ha - tred spreads, and e - vils wrought by hu - man  
4 know-ledge and our sin, we come to you in pen - i -  
5 fol - low in your way. Speak to our souls the quick - ening



1 wise; grant us your power to make us strong.  
2 ies have made us trust our - selves the more.  
3 pride re - coil on un - re - pent - ant heads.  
4 tence; in us the work of grace be - gin.  
5 word, and turn our dark - ness in - to day.

Words: David W. Hughes (1911-1967), alt.

Music: *Uffingham*, melody Jeremiah Clarke (1670-1707), alt.

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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-129)*

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. \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Priest (*The people stand or kneel.*) 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."

## Memorial Acclamation

Priest Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory.**

Priest 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 the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Peter, and 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.**

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

All **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

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*The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

*Agnus Dei (S-164)*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Priest            The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are invited to receive the bread and wine.*

*Come up the center aisle to receive the Eucharist at the altar rail. Return to your pew using the side aisle.*

*If you prefer to receive a blessing, please let the clergy know by crossing your arms in front of you at the altar.*

*The chalice will be offered to all. If you prefer not to receive, you may choose to reverently acknowledge the presence of Christ in the wine, while the minister says, "The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation."*

### COMMUNION HYMN: "Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured" (Hymn 313)

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious  
2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou  
3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound  
4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,  
cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give  
and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now  
tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

*Refrain*

of thy bound-less love the to - ken.  
Je - sus by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -  
claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.  
of thy match-less love for - give me.



self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

Words: John Brownlie (1859-1925)

Music: *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*, melody Johann Cruger (1598-1662);  
harm. after *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

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## SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Deacon We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body,  
People Because we all share one bread and one cup.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

All 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.*

## SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

BOS 11

Deacon Bow down before the Lord

Priest 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.**

CLOSING HYMN: "Lead Us, Heavenly Father" (Hymn 559)

1 Lead us, heaven - ly Fa - ther, lead us o'er the world's tem -  
 2 Sa - vior, breathe for - give - ness o'er us; all our weak - ness  
 3 Spi - rit of our God, de - scend - ing, fill our hearts with

pes - tuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
 thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth be - fore us;  
 heaven - ly joy; love with ev - ery pas - sion blend - ing

for we have no help but thee, yet pos - ses - sing  
 thou didst feel its keen - est woe; yet un - fear - ing,  
 plea - sure that can nev - er cloy; thus pro - vid - ed,

ev - ery bless - ing, if our God our Fa - ther be.  
 per - se - ver - ing, to thy pas - sion thou didst go.  
 par - doned, guid - ed, noth - ing can our peace des - troy.

Words: James Edmeston (1791-1867), alt.

Music: *Dulce carmen*, melody from *An Essay on the Church Plain Chant*, 1782;

adapt. *Collection of Motets or Antiphons*, ca. 1840; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

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## THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

**Lectors:** Bob Gary (OT), Gracelynn Garland (NT)

**Intercessor:** Kevin Huston; **Livestream / Audio:** Kim Kilgore

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** Tony Burgess, Beth Janney

**Acolytes:** Parker Thompson, Gracelynn Garland, David Garland

**Ushers:** Ron Abston, Aaron Wells; **Healing Altar:** Joani Koch

**Greeter:** Regina Saas; **Lights & Locks:** Tammy Garland

### We pray for the healing and comfort of:

Alicia, Betty Lamance, Betty Thompson, Bill Kazmier, Bryson Tidwell, Cynthia Millwood, Dianne Stone, Dixie Warren, Donie, Eddie Rodgers, Emmalea Rogers, Ernestine Rogers, Garnet Johnston, Gene Vredeveld, Gerald Motley, Jack Rudez, Jaye Harris, Jimmy McDaniel, John Hickman, Julie Suttles Saunders, Karin Gilstrap, Kelly Snyder, Kevin Blasbery, Leon Ellis, Maggie Williams, Mark Northern, Mary Cook, Matt Klinger, Pete Cooper, Richard Rogers, Robert Carnes, Satedra Smith, Sawyer Burch, Suzy Marland, Terrell Williams, Terry Arnold, Tony D, Vicki Neff

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**If you are new to St. Peter's**, you are invited to fill out the visitor form found in the pews so we can welcome you properly. Drop the form in the collection plate or hand it to any clergy or staff member.

**A wonderful volunteer** recently cleaned the cloth seats of 70+ chairs in the Bracewell Room! You won't believe the difference. Let's all try to take good care of our "like new" chairs.

**Remember to spring forward:** Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 10.

**Easter Lily order forms** are now available in the Narthex. Please turn in your form and payment by **Sunday, March 17**. You can also email your info to parishadmin@stpeters.org. If you are paying via PayPal, please choose the "Altar Flowers" option.