SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CHATTANOOGA, IN THE DIOCESE OF EAST TENNESSEE

MARCH 5, 2023 – 10:30 A.M.



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Dear Friends,

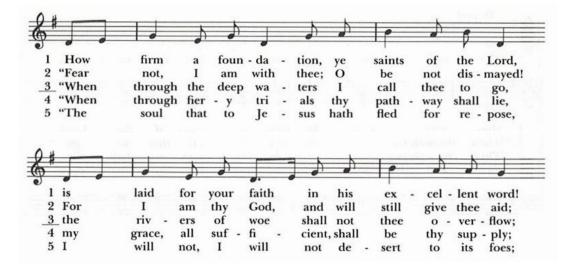
Welcome to worship at St. Peter's this morning! My prayer is that brand new guests, those who have been here for a long time, and everyone in between will know the goodness and grace of Jesus Christ through the power of worship this morning. If this is your first time with us, I extend a special welcome to you! We are grateful for your presence, and would love to get to know you better. Please consider filling out a newcomer card in your pew rack and dropping it in the offering plate as you leave. Again, welcome to all. It is good to worship with you this morning.

God bless, Fr. Quinn Parman+

THE WORD OF GOD

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

OPENING HYMN: "How Firm a Foundation" (Hymn 636)



BCP 351



Words: K. in John Rippon's Selection, 1787, alt. Music: Foundation, melody from The Sacred Harp, 1844

Priest Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

The people kneel.

THE DECALOGUE

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Priest 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.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Priest You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Priest You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Priest Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Priest Honor your father and your mother. People Amen. Lord have mercy. Priest You shall not commit murder. People Amen. Lord have mercy. Priest You shall not commit adultery. Amen. Lord have mercy. People Priest You shall not steal. Amen. Lord have mercy. People You shall not be a false witness. Priest Amen. Lord have mercy. People Priest You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor. People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Priest Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. BCP 352

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.**





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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest 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 FIRST LESSON (Genesis 12:1-4a)

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

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

Please join the choir in chanting the psalm.

PSALM 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; * from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, * the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved * and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep;

- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; * the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, * nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; * it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, * from this time forth for evermore.

THE SECOND LESSON (Romans 4:1-5, 13-17)

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

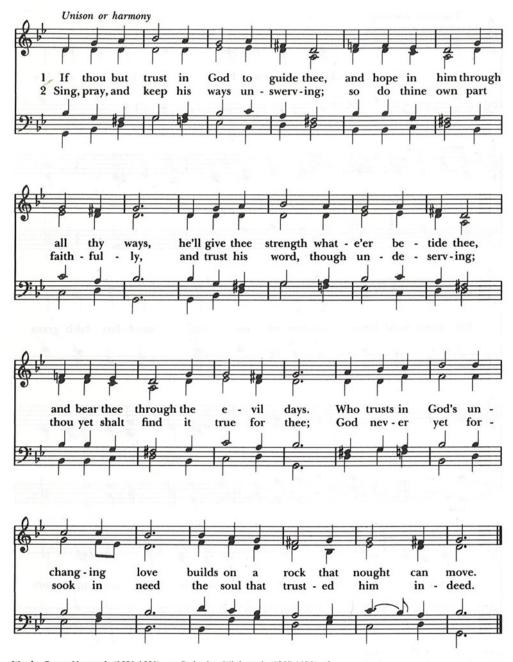
For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: "If Thou But Trust" (Hymn 635)



Words: Georg Neumark (1621-1681); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: Wer nur den lieben Gott, Georg Neumark (1621-1681)

The people stand.

THE GOSPEL (John 3:1-17)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

DeaconThe Gospel of the LordPeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Drew Bunting

THE NICENE CREED

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.)

Just as Jesus turned away from sin in the wilderness and remained united with His father, may we also turn away from our sins and be transformed into new life in unity with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
We pray for the holy Church of God and for all spiritual leaders that they may
be faithful witnesses of the Gospel to all people. As we turn to you in prayer,
Transform us Lord.
We pray for our nation and all who govern. May those in authority lead with
justice and respect the dignity of all people. As we turn to you in prayer,
Transform us Lord.
We pray for the peace of the world, remembering that all people are made in
your image and likeness. As we turn to you in prayer,
Transform us Lord.

We pray for all people in our community, that we may honor and serve one another in our common life. As we turn to you in prayer,
Transform us Lord.
We pray for those who seek a life of faith and communion in your holy
Church through the sacrament of Baptism. As we turn to you in prayer,
Transform us Lord.
We pray for the persecuted, the poor and the sick, remembering especially
those on our parish prayer list. May you provide them with the hope of
restoration. As we turn to you in prayer,
Transform us Lord.
We pray for all who have died. May they rest in the joy of eternal life. As we
turn to you in prayer,
Transform us Lord.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

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- Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- People And also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of the Risen Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Eucharistic table is set while the ushers collect offerings from the congregation. If you prefer to make an online donation, please use this QR code:



OFFERTORY HYMN: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee (Hymn 691)



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest The Lord be with you.	Priest	The	Lord	be	with	you.
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People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

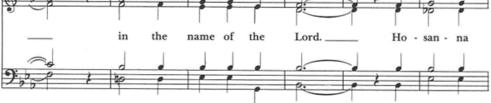
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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. *[Here a Proper Preface is 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:









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

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

Memorial Acclamation

Priest Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Priest: 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, **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

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (S-164)



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: "And Now, O Father" (Hymn 337)



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

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All 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.

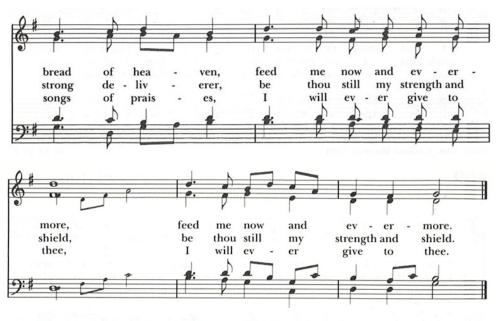
The people kneel.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Priest Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (Hymn 690)





Words: William Williams (1717-1791); tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796), alt. Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932)

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THE DISMISSAL

- Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
- People Thanks be to God.

Lector: Chris Clary (OT), Andrea Smith (NT) Intercessor: Patti Amorello Eucharistic Ministers: Chip Stansbury, Rena Stansbury Livestream / Audio: John Trieber Acolytes: Colette Crowe, David Garland, Gracelynn Garland Ushers: Ben Cooper, Fonda Harwell Healing Altar: Beth Janney

We pray for the healing and comfort of:

Alan Bullard, Anita Harrower, Betty Lamance, Betty Thompson, Bill Kazmier, Bob Hoover, Bobbye Cannon, Bryson Tidwell, Dianne Stone, Dixie Warren, Emmalea Rogers, Ernestine Rogers, Evelyn Jonakin, Garnet Johnston, Gene Vredeveld, Jeremy Hill, Jimmy, John Giles, John Hickman, Julie Suttles Saunders, Kelly Snyder, Kevin, Lisa Gee, Mark Northern, Mary Cook, Matt Klinger, Peter Garland III, Fr. Reynolds Garland, Shannon Waller, Susan Lawrence, Susan Self, Suzy Marland, Terrell Williams, Terry Arnold, Vicki Neff, Wynn Eady

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Every Sunday in Lent 5:30p-7:00p

Simple Lenter Suppers

Join us every Sunday in Lent for an evening of fellowship, soup, and quiet reflection, ending with a brief Compline service before we part.

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