

# St. Mark's Anglican Church

The First Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 9, 2025

Sung Eucharist at 10:30 am

Welcome to St. Mark's.

The order of service is set forth in this service sheet.

Please stand and kneel as you are able—and as is your custom.

PRELUDE Choral Dorien

Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

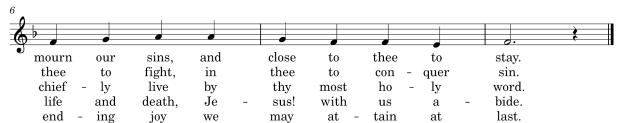
## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

## **HYMN**

Music: *St Favian* found in *John Day's Psalter*, 1562 Text: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898)







Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

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.

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

Most merciful God,

All 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 neighbours 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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

Healey Willan (1880-1968) Missa da Sancta Maria Magdalena







#### THE COLLECT

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

All sit

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

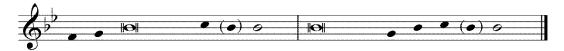
Deuteronomy 26:5-11

Reader: Wendy Steel

You shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91: 1-2, 9-16 Tone viii, 2



HE WHO dwells in the shelter of the **Most** High,\* abides under the shadow **of** the Almighty.

He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and **my** stronghold,\* my God in whom I put my trust."

Because you have made the Lord **your** refuge,\* and the Most High **your** habitation.

There shall no evil happen **to** you,\* neither shall any plague **come** near your dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge o-ver you,\* to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you in **their** hands,\* lest you dash your foot **a**-gainst a stone.

You shall tread upon the lion **and** adder;\* you shall trample the young lion and the serpent **un**-der your feet.

Because he is bound to me in love, therefore I will de-liver him;\* I will protect him because he knows my name.

He shall call upon me, and I will **an**-swer him;\*
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and **bring** him to honour.

With long life will I satis-**fy** him,\* and **show** him my salvation.

### SECOND READING

Romans 10:8b-13 Reader: Wendy Steel

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader Thanks be to God.

All stand

**HYMN 175** 

Forty Days and Forty Nights

THE GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

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

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

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone." Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test." When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

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

THE SERMON The Rector

## THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All 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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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

Leader With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father.

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, let us pray to the Father.

Leader: James Mainprize

Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Leader For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to

the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Leader For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors,

let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Leader For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow

among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Leader For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer, for refugees, prisoners,

and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected,

let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Leader For those whom we have injured or offended, let us pray to the Father.

Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Leader For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, let us pray to the

Father. Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Leader In communion with all those who have walked in the way of holiness,

let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People in your mercy hear us.

Celebrant God our Father, in your love and goodness

you have taught us to come close to you in penitence with prayer, fasting and generosity; accept our Lenten discipline, and when we fall by our weakness,

raise us up by your unfailing mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

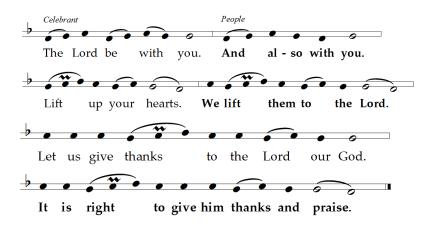
WORDS OF WELCOME

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Music: *Beach Spring* found in *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia 1844 Text: Herman Stuempfle (1923-2007)



### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

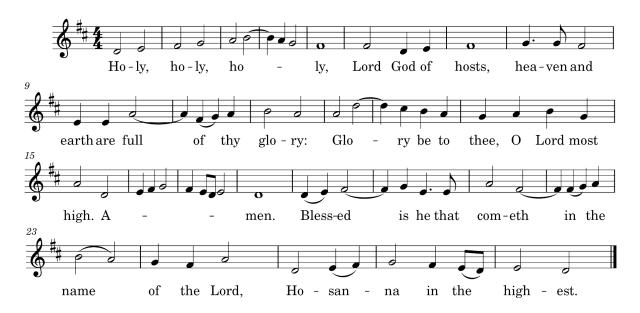


Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way, 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 with angels and archangels and all who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD

Healey Willan Missa da Sancta Maria Magdalena



# All remain standing or kneel

### Celebrant

All

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

#### Celebrant

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

# People Amen.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour 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,

the power and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread.

**People** Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat

which bears its fruit in dying.

People If we have died with him,

we shall live with him;

if we hold firm,

we shall reign with him.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

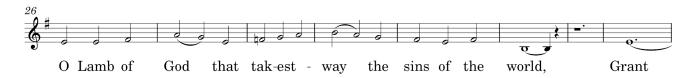
LAMB OF GOD

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Please follow the directions of the greeters as you make your way to the altar Kneeling and standing are both appropriate postures to receive the Eucharist

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

O mi Jesu, dimitte nobis debita nostra, libera nos ab igne inferni, conduc in caelo omnes animas praesertim illas quae maxime indigent misericordia tua. Amen.

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell and lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy. Amen.

After communion, all stand for

### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant All your works praise you, O Lord.

All And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body,
live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup,
bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights,
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
So that we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen

# THE BLESSING

Celebrant Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross,

and follow him; and the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

be upon and remain with you always.

People Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# THE LENT PROSE

# Cantor first, then all sing the refrain.

The Cantor sings the verses and the Congregation sings the refrain where indicated



To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory: lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings: listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

## Refrain

O thou chief cornerstone, right hand of the Father: way of salvation, gate of life celestial: cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

# Refrain

Lent prose continues overleaf

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated: bow down and hearken to thy weeping children: pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

# Refrain

Sins oft committed, now we lay before thee: with true contrition, now no more we veil them: grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

## Refrain

Innocent captive, taken unresisting: falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced, save us, we pray thee, Jesu, our Redeemer.

# Refrain

VOLUNTARY Chorale Prelude on "O wie selig"

Johannes Brahms (1833-1893)



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