



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 3, 2024

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Welcome to St. Thomas'!

For your convenience and use, the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the red book in your pew racks, the Hymnal 1982 is the blue book, "S" numbers (for service music) appear in the beginning of the Hymnal 1982.

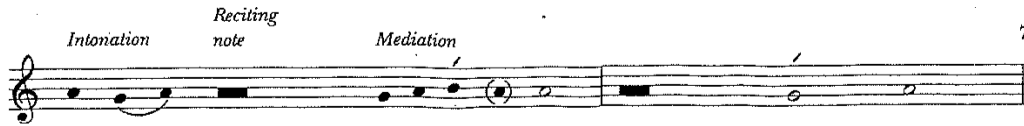
Wonder Love and Praise (WLP) is the green book. Music is from Hymnal 1982 unless otherwise noted.

** indicates 10 am service only.*

PRELUDE	Chorale Prelude on Wem in Leidenstagen	Peter Hurford
*INTROIT	Lenten Prose, Mode V	
*HYMN 688	A Mighty Fortress is Our God	<i>Ein feste Burg</i>
PENITENTIAL ORDER		BCP 350
KYRIE		BCP 356/*S-86
COLLECT OF THE DAY		BCP 218
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. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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



- 1 The heavens declare the/ glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his hand/iwork.
- 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 pa/vilion 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 burn/ing heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and re/vives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the in/nocent.
- 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 en/dures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous al/together.
- 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 ser/vant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great/ reward.
- 12 Who can tell how/ often he offends? *
cleanse me from my se/cret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get do/minion 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.

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.

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

*HYMN 603

When Christ Was Lifted From the Earth

St. Botolph

GOSPEL

John 2: 13-22

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

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Christ**

SERMON

The Rev. Ryan Whitley

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BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

from *Times and Seasons*

After each petition, the congregation responds, "in your mercy hear us."

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father. For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion, **in your mercy hear us.**

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...

For those preparing for baptism and confirmation, and for their teachers and sponsors, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion...

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...

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, especially those on our Parish Prayer List, 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...

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

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion...

In communion with all those who have walked in the way of holiness let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion...

For those who have died, especially Mike Disler, father of Dodd Disler. . Lord of compassion...

Celebrant concludes

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. **Amen.**

PEACE		BCP 360
*OFFERTORY ANTHEM	Lift Thine Eyes	Felix Mendelssohn
*HYMN 474, STANZA 4	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross	<i>Rockingham</i>
HOLY EUCHARIST, PRAYER C		BCP 369
*SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS		S-124
LORD'S PRAYER		BCP 364
BREAKING OF THE BREAD		BCP 364
*FRACTION ANTHEM		S-161
*COMMUNION MUSIC	Bless The Lord My Soul	Taizé
*HYMN 337	And Now, O Father	<i>Unde et Memores</i>
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER		BCP 366
SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE		
*HYMN 598	Lord Christ When First	<i>Mit Freuden zart</i>
DISMISSAL		BCP 366
*POSTLUDE	Ach, was soll ich Sunder machen	Jonhann Pachebell

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Dona, Geoff, Sharon Joanne, John, Tara, Ed, Yvonne, Howard, Marcia, Carolyn, Charlie, Don, Robert, Estelle, Matthias, Jennifer, Matthew, Andrea, Chris, Barbara, Lily, Jane, Kathy, Mary, Diane, Ronnie, Ethan, Trish, Bill, Liz, Jennifer, Bart, Ralph, Cindy, Norma, George, Janet, Iris, and Anne.

Thanks to those who are helping today: **Acolytes:** Colin Burkhart, Caroline Whitley, Pippa Forrester. **Altar Guild:** Joanna Ritch, Beth and David Gould. **Camera Operator:** Everett Jennings. **Coffee Host:** Liz Stiles, Peggy Lewis. **Healing:** Liz Stiles. **Eucharistic Minister:** Tom Shevlin. **Lector 8am:** Mike Bice. **Lector 10am:** Michael Mahoney, Louise Chapin. **Oblations:** Carrie Wilson and Susan Calder. **Prayers of the People:** Joe DiOrio. **Ushers:** George Burkhart, Bill Thomas.

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