

# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 7, 2021

# Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: Andante sostenuto Alan Gray

## **Prayer of Intention During Lent**

(found in the Book of Occasional Services)

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of the universe. Your gifts are many, and in wisdom you have made all things to give you glory. Be with us now and bless us as we dedicate our use of this space in our homes to your praise and honor. As often as we worship you here, precede us and abide with us. Be known to us in your Word spoken and heard, in this manner of fellowship with one another, and in the breaking of the bread spiritually received. Give us joy in all your works, and grant that these spaces in our homes be places where your will is done and your name is glorified; through Jesus Christ our Savior, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. *Amen* 

## **Opening Hymn 691:** "My faith looks up to thee"

Olivet

- My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
   Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away;
   O let me from this day be wholly thine.
- 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee pure, warm and changeless be, a living fire.
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day; wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

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Celebrant: Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

## The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen* 

p. 357

S96 Kyrie (found in the front of The Hymnal 1982)

Schubert

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

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## The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

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 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 Response: *Thanks be to God*.

### Psalm 19 Caeli enarrant

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \* and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- One day tells its tale to another, \* and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- Although they have no words or language, \* and their voices are not heard.
- Their sound has gone out into all lands, \* and their message to the ends of the world.
- 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.
- By them also is your servant enlightened, \* and in keeping them there is great reward.
- Who can tell how often he offends? \* cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 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.
- 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 Epistle: 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

Response: Thanks be to God.

## The Holy Gospel: John 2:13-22

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.

The Gospel of the Lord People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ* 

The Sermon: Ms. Beth Hendrix, Seminarian

### 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, who with the Father and the Son 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

After the words "Lord, hear the prayers of our hearts," the congregation responds with "And grant us Your peace."

## **Confession of Sin and Absolution**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

*Clergy*: 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.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

#### Welcome and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Solo Anthem: "Deep River"

African American Spiritual

### Vasili Varfis, baritone

Deep River,
My home is over Jordan.
Deep River Lord.
I want to cross over into campground.

Oh, don't you want to go,
To the gospel feast.
That promised land,
Where all, is peace.

Deep River. Oh, deep River, Lord,

My home is over Jordan. I want to cross over into campground.

I want to cross over into campground

Deep River, Lord,

## **Blessing of the Offering**

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer I (from Enriching Our Worship)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Le us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## The Celebrant proceeds:

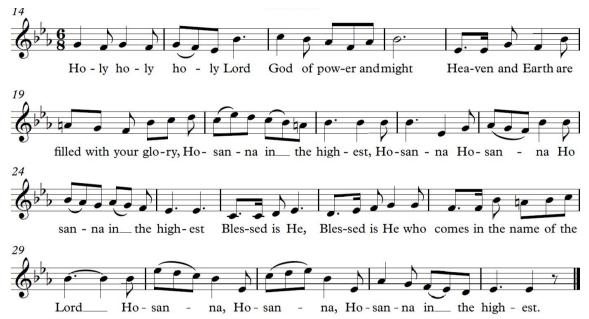
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

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, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

## Sanctus (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier



### The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [ \_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

The Celebrant continues

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

### People and Celebrant:

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Given 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

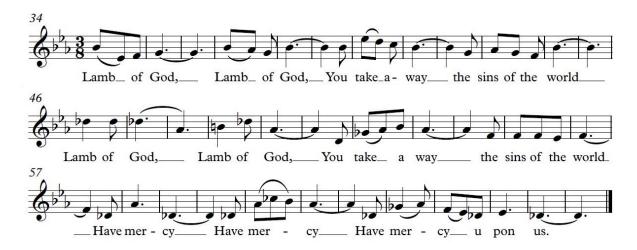
## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier



Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

People: Faithful God,

in the wonder of your wisdom and love,

you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels

and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.

Though we cannot now consume these gifts of bread and wine together,

inese gifts of break and wine together,

we thank you that we have received Christ's presence,

the forgiveness of sins,

and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we embody your love, be renewed for your service,

and be reflections of the risen Lord.

Amen.

## **Music during Communion**

**Solo Hymn 679:** "Surely it is God who saves, me," (found in The Hymnal 1982)

Thomas Merton

#### Vasili Varfis, baritone

Surely it is God who saves me: trusting him, I shall not fear. For the Lord defends and shields me and his saving help is near. So rejoice as your draw water from salvation's living spring; in the day of your deliverance thank the Lord, his mercies sing

Make his deeds known to the peoples: tell out his exalted Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things: all his works his might proclaim. Zion, lift your voice in singing: for with you has come to dwell, In our very midst, the great and Holy One of Israel.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

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 Blessing

Closing Hymn 686 "Come, thou fount of every blessing"

Nettleton

- Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! O fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.
- 2 Here I find my greatest treasure; hither by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee; prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

### The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. Deacon: People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Toccata Anonymous

**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:** 

**Readers:** Doug Henry, Debbie Hewson, **Intercessor**: Sandra Graham;

Musicians: Vasili Varfis. Dr. Jane Tavernier:

Audio-Visual: John Bednar, Doug Onley, Sydney Onley;

Celebrant: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander



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