

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024 at 10:15 AM



ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

We are a welcoming, inclusive and affirming parish in the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina. We seek to meet and serve Christ in all people and to glorify God in our words and our actions.

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ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

Know that you are most welcome, and we pray that you will return to worship with us again soon! Please do us the honor of filling out a Visitor Card, either by scanning the QR code to the right OR by filling out a physical card located in the pew rack in front of you. If you fill out a physical card, please place it in the alms basin during the offertory or hand it to an usher or to a member of the clergy as you leave today. Thank you!



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Holy Eucharist: Rite II

This service bulletin is designed for use with the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the blue Hymnal 1982, both of which are located in the pew rack in front of you.

Voluntary

During Lent we begin with the Prayer Before Worship on page 833 in the Book of Common Prayer.

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

On the first Sunday in Lent, the service begins with the Great Litany in procession.

The full text may be found on page 148 in the red Book of Common Prayer, and the music notation may be found in the front section of the blue Hymnal, S 67.

The Great Litany

BCP, p. 148 / Hymnal S 67

The Salutation

BCP, p. 355

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

The Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Kids & Invitation to Children's Chapel

Children ages 4 to 5th grade are invited to the steps for a brief introduction to the day's liturgy or lessons. They then depart for Children's Chapel, returning for the Eucharist.

First Lesson

Genesis 9:8-17

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis.

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 25:1-9

Ad te, Domine, levavi

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.



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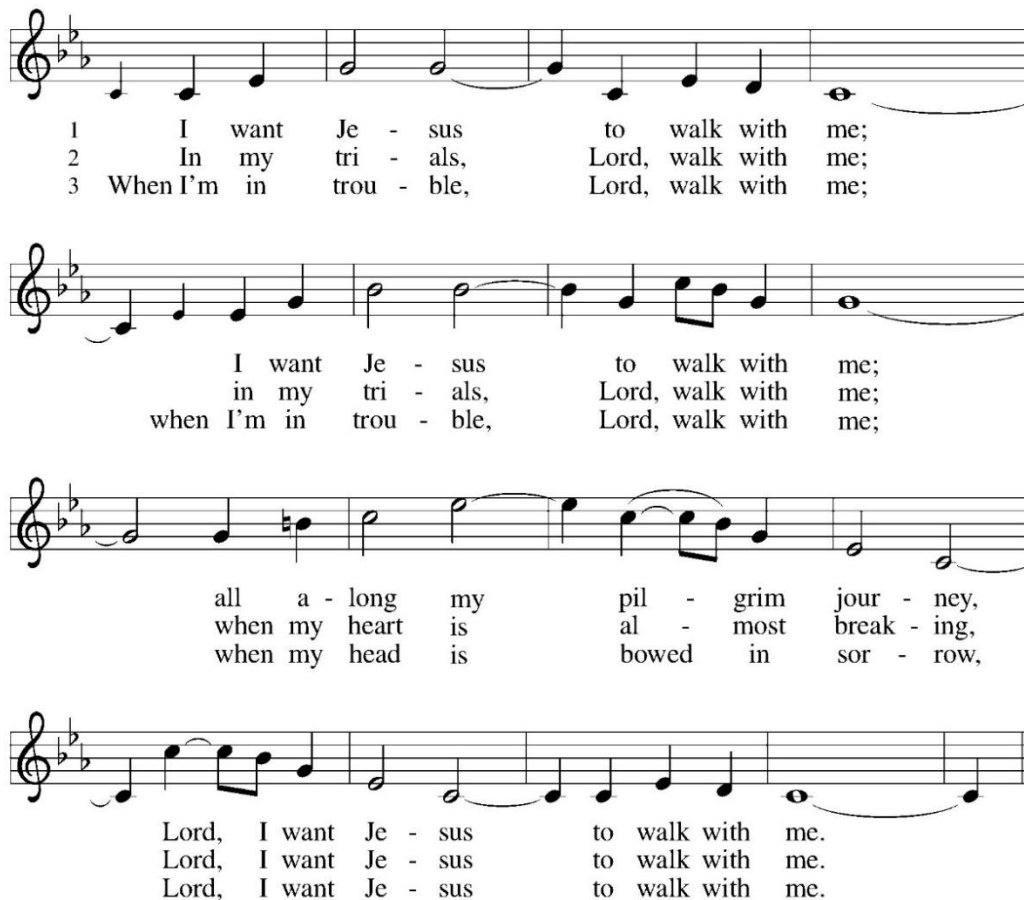
Lector A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: I want Jesus to walk with me



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

The Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Justin Gabbard

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP, p. 385

In the course of silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

The parish prayer list maybe found on page 11 of this service bulletin.

Intercessor I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Sam and Jennifer, our bishops; for Imogen, Andrew, Justin, and Nancy, our clergy; for Grace Mission, Clayton, St. Clement's, Clemmons, and Christ Church, Cleveland; for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan; 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, especially those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now silently or aloud.

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 I invite any other prayers or thanksgivings either silently or aloud.

Members of the congregation may offer prayers or thanksgivings.

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 Peace

BCP, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Craig and Kathryn DeShong in loving memory of our parents, Bob & Margaret Davis and Dwight & Mary Louise DeShong, and in thanksgiving for our children, Sam and Jessie, our son-in-law Ben, and our grandchildren, Owen and Ellie.

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: Thy perfect love

John Rutter

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest, thy perfect love close in my breast

That I thee love and never rest; and make me love thee of all things best,

And wounde my heart in thy love free, that I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

Presentation Hymn: The glory of these forty days (*verse 5*)

Hymnal 143

O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, to thee be every prayer addressed,
who art in threefold Name adored, from age to age, the only Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP, p. 369

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us.**
By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

Hymnal S 130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP, p. 364

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God

Hymnal S 161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Invitation and Communion

All are invited to come forward during the sharing of Holy Communion.

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by drinking from the common cup? *Please come to the left side (lectern side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs in the sacristy.*

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by intinction (having a minister dip the host in wine and place it in your hand)? *Please come to the right side (pulpit side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs by the baptismal font.*

Where can I go to receive only the bread? *Please come to either location and tell the server “only bread.”*

Where can I go to receive gluten-free bread? *Please come to either location and ask for gluten free.*

Where can I go to receive a blessing? *Please come to either location and cross your arms over your chest.*

How can I ask for communion to be brought to me? *Please ask an usher to receive by intinction in your seat.*

Communion Hymns

Lord, who throughout these forty days

Hymnal 142

All who love and serve your city

Hymnal 571

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, 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.

People **Because we who are many are one body in Christ. We share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Common Prayer, The Church of England

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **God of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ’s 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 we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

Solemn Prayer over the People

Celebrant Bow down before the Lord.

With the people kneeling, the Celebrant continues:

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Closing Hymn: Lift high the cross

Hymnal 473

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

During Lent we conclude with the Prayer After Worship on page 834 in the Book of Common Prayer.

Grant, we beseech you, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Voluntary

Please join us for Fellowship Time immediately following this worship service.

Serving Today

Ushers	Peg Dorer and Frank Fee
Verger	Caryl Fuller
Acolytes	Ashelyn Gilbert, Callin Fee, Arianna Zomorodi, Ryan Fee, and Benjamin Zomorodi
Lectors	Rich Leonard and Kaye Taliana
Intercessor & Chalcist	Jennifer Tlusty
Livestream & Audio	Jacob Ferguson and Sam DeShong
Flower Guild	Judi Mathis

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRAYER LIST

Roy Wright, Carolyn Owens, Janet Gilliam, Ralph Sanders, Pete Taylor, Martha Bailey, Peggy Hawks, Ginny Byrd, Mitchell Lawrence, Darrell Dennis, Janie Ward-Newton, William Short, Catherine and Bob Williams, Fran and Paul Hoch, Carolyn Watson, Brinley Harris, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Carter Halloran, The Rev. Andrew Phillips, Kathleen Pias, Joe Henry and the Henry Family, Stephanie Rivers, Don Caudill, Shirley Caudill, Larry Bledsoe, Mike Asea, The Bonnie Schoen Family, Joanne Miller and Family, Kate & Florrie McCard and The McHale Family, John and Karen Price and The Price Family, The Coxe Family, the people of Israel and Palestine, and the people of Ukraine.

Would you like to add someone to the parish prayer list? The people of The Church of the Good Shepherd are eager to join you in lifting your prayers to God. To submit a prayer request, please visit the parish newsletter or the parish website where you will find instructions for submitting prayer requests. If you should need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office. Prayer requests added to our public prayer list will be refreshed every month; please feel free to resubmit them if you would like them to remain on the prayer list.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH

Opportunity to Serve

Episcopal Coalition: Habitat for Humanity

This year's build to support Habitat for Humanity is coming up soon! Anyone can work any dates they like, but February 24th and April 6th are the primary dates Good Shepherd is being asked to support. Please see the parish newsletter for more information. Contact: Don Blankenship

150th Celebrations Continue!

Lenten Fellowship Suppers

A key component of our 150th celebration is *Building Community*. To honor that initiative, we are hosting *Lenten Fellowship Suppers* each Friday in the homes of fellow parishioners. Please see the parish newsletter for more information. Contact: Peg Dorer

Love Letters to Good Shepherd

As part of our 150th celebration, we are collecting memories, fun moments, thoughts and calling it *Love Letters to Good Shepherd*. Everyone is encouraged to jot down something--a special moment you recall, what brought you to Good Shepherd, what things you enjoy most – you choose! Please see the parish newsletter for more information. Contact: Elizabeth Gant

Outreach Project

In keeping with our long tradition of outreach, we are launching a special service project to benefit those in our community served by Urban Ministries of Wake County. Please see the parish newsletter for more information. You'll find a collection bin for donated items in the Parish Life Center lobby. Contacts: Jean Knepley and Grace Sved.

All Are Welcome Here

If you would like information about

- transferring your membership from another parish
- joining the church
- being married
- being baptized

please contact David Baggett, our parish administrator, at David.Baggett@cgs-raleigh.org or at 919.831.2018.

Congregation in Conversation

This Lent our *Congregation in Conversation* book is *Searching for Sunday* by Rachel Held Evans. Join us in the Ennis Parlor on Sunday mornings at 9 for fellowship and conversation facilitated by Jon Stoddard. For more information, please contact Jean Knepley by email: jeanknepley101@gmail.com or by phone: 586.216.2369.

This week's quote from Rachel Held Evans' *Searching for Sunday*

"I was recently asked to explain...why millennials like me are leaving the church. I told them we're tired of the culture wars, tired of Christianity getting entangled with party politics and power. Millennials want to be known by what we're for, I said, not just what we're against. We don't want to choose between science and religion or between our intellectual integrity and our faith. Instead, we long for our churches to be safe places to doubt, to ask questions, and to tell the truth, even when it's uncomfortable."