

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT FEBRUARY 25, 2024 AT 10:15 AM



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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.

Processional Hymn: All my hope on God is founded

Hymnal 665

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

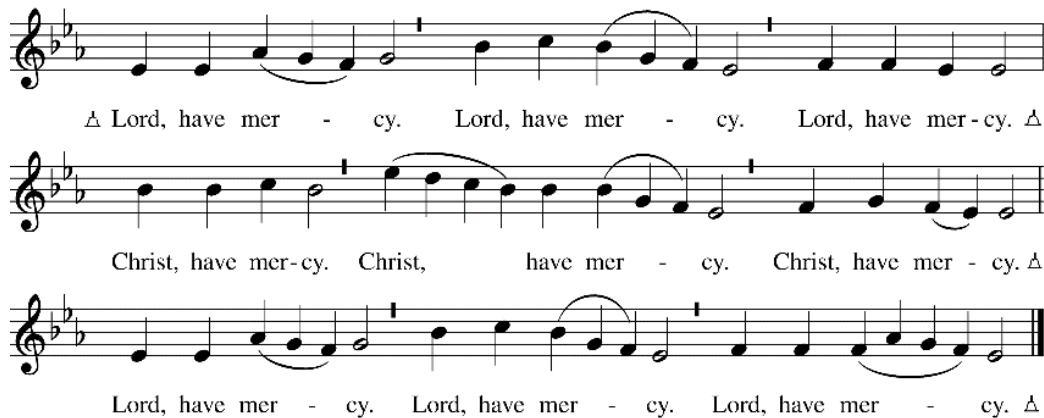
People His mercy endures for ever.

The Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

Lord, have mercy: *Kyrie*

Wonder Love and Praise 842



Δ optional bells

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The Collect

of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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 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 17:1-7, 15-16

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

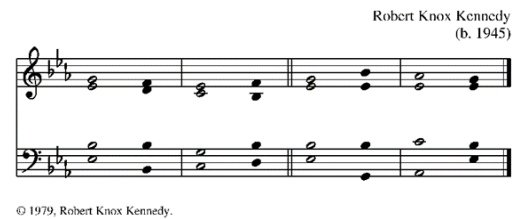
Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 22:22-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

- 22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him; *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.



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Second Lesson

Romans 4:13-25

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

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. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: When I survey the wondrous cross

Hymnal 474

The Gospel

Mark 8:31-38

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Imogen Rhodenhisier

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 10 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 All Saints', Concord; Church of the Good Shepherd, Cooleemee; St. Alban's, Davidson; for the Anglican Church of Tanzania; 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 Confession and Absolution

BCP, p. 360

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 William E. White, III in loving memory of Carol Lewis White, William Elliott White, Jr. and Jean Smith White and by Reid and Donna Fitchett in loving memory of our parents, William and Dolores Graven and W. Reid and Anna Fitchett.

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Open your phone's camera, point the camera at the square, and tap the screen.



The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn: Where cross the crowded ways of life Hymnal 609

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

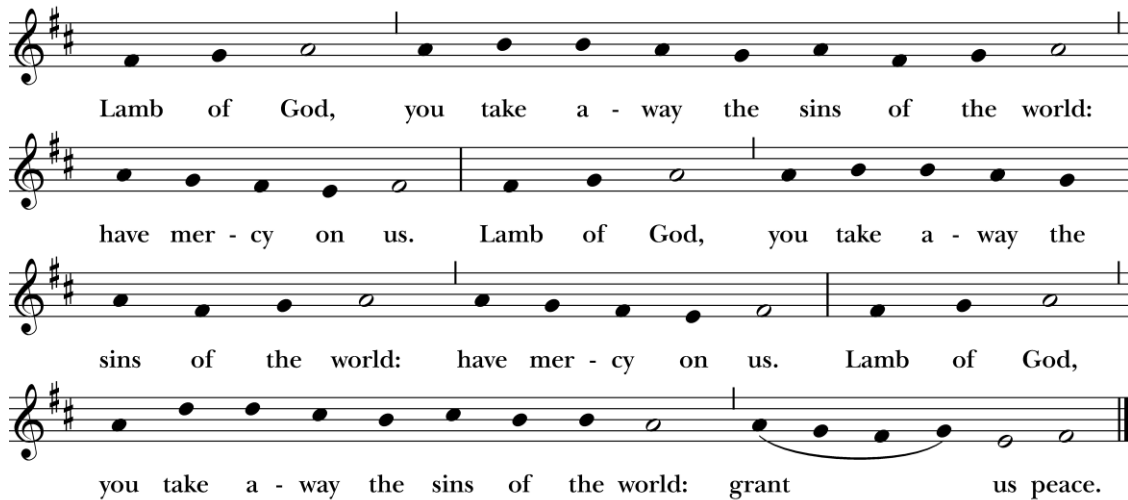
BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP, p. 364

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God

Hymnal S 161



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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

Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Hymnal 328

Take my life, and let it be

Hymnal 707

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**

Recessional Hymn: The God of Abraham praise

Hymnal 401

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.

Dismissal

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

Voluntary

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

Serving Today

Ushers	John and Karen Boyne
Verger	David Roten
Acolytes	Hunter Myers, Libba Leonard, Mason Livengood, Leighton Livengood, and Cain Leonard
Lectors	Phyllis Vail and Maggie Stoddard
Intercessor & Chalcist	Julie Lowe
Livestream & Audio	Craig DeShong and Sam DeShong
Flower Guild	Amanda Penny

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, Don Caudill, Shirley Caudill, Larry Bledsoe, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Carter Halloran, The Rev. Andrew Phillips, Joe Henry and the Henry Family, Stephanie Rivers, Peter, 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, Paul Henry and The Henry Family, The Pias Family, the people of Israel and Palestine, and the people of Ukraine and Russia.

And we pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially Joe Henry, Kathleen Pias, and Corey Hazelwood.

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

Help Decorate Our Altar for Easter!

Lilies and hydrangeas are available for purchase to remember or to honor a loved one. The price is the same as last year: \$15.00 for lilies; \$20.00 for hydrangeas. The proceeds will benefit the choir. A hardcopy order form is available in the Parish Life Center lobby and in the church's narthex and east transept OR you may order online through the parish newsletter. Please note that orders and payment are due by **Sunday, March 10th**. Thank you! If you have questions, please contact Molly Propst (919.523.8142) or David Baggett (919.831.2018).

Coming Up Next Sunday Following the 10:15 Worship Service

- Community Lunch sponsored by Beyond Our Doors ministry team. Everyone is invited and all are welcome!
- EpiscoPALS – Faith and Fun for Kids
EpiscoPALS is a monthly gathering centered around food, fun, and growing in the faith for kids (infants through 5th grade) and their families. The first Sunday of every month, families are invited to stay after the 10:15 service, grab a bite to eat at the Beyond Our Doors Community Lunch, and participate in games, crafts, service projects, and opportunities to connect with other families.

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.

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*

"Perhaps we're afraid that if we move, God might use people and methods we don't approve of, that rules will be broken and theologies questioned. Perhaps we're afraid that if we get out of the way, this grace thing might get out of hand."

Well, guess what? It already has.

Grace got out of hand the moment the God of the universe hung on a Roman cross and with outstretched hands looked out upon those who had hung him there and declared, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

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