



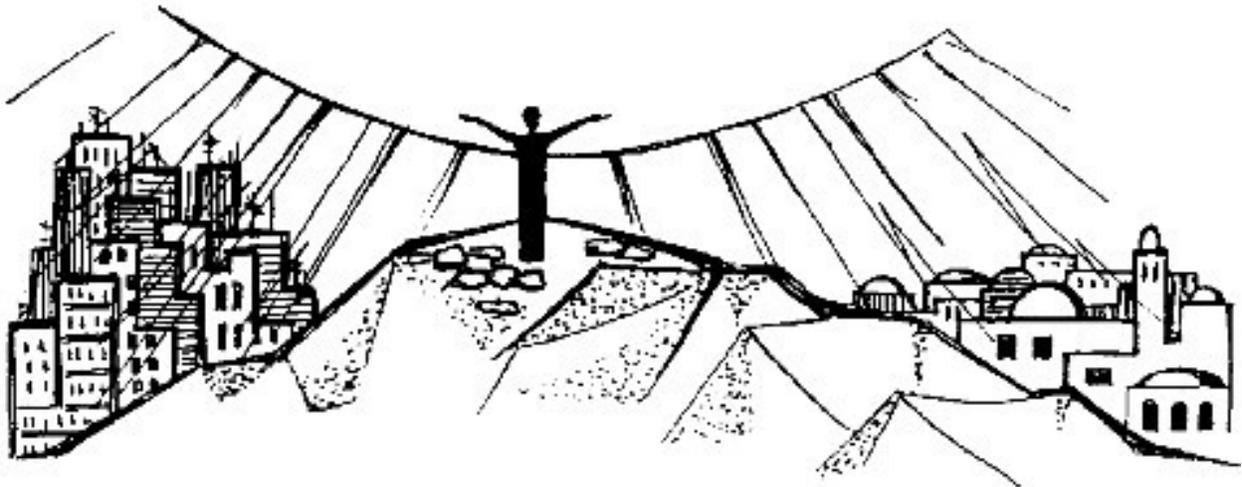
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DAILY MORNING PRAYER RITE II

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT + MARCH 1, 2020, 10 AM



To allow individuals to prepare their hearts and minds for worship, we kindly ask that the sanctuary be a place of quiet prayer and reflection before the service begins. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices.

Thank you!

ABOUT THIS SERVICE

The season of Lent—from an Old English word meaning “Spring,” the time of lengthening days—spans 40 days: from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, excluding Sundays.

Traditionally, this time of year has been a period of solemn preparation, self-examination, and repentance. Remembering the time Jesus spent in the wilderness before beginning his ministry, some Christians adopt Lenten “disciplines”: giving up an item of food, taking on a prayer or devotional practice, taking a technology fast, or simply setting aside time each day to be present with God and those they love.

Lenten liturgy is characterized by solemnity and simplicity. The Gloria and the word “Alleluia” are omitted and will not return until the Easter Vigil. Violet is the color used for vestments during this season.

THE OPENING RITE

PRELUDE

PHILIP RANDOLPH, MUSICIAN

OPENING SENTENCE

(BCP p. 76)

Presider: Jesus said, “If anyone will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.” [Mark 8:34]

Please stand as able.

OPENING HYMN

CREATOR OF THE EARTH AND SKIES

Blue Hymnal #148

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

(BCP p. 79)

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silent confession will be observed. Followed by the congregation saying together:
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.**

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Presider Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Antiphon: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: **Come let us adore him.**

VENITE

COME LET US SING TO THE LORD

Insert



Please be seated.

THE PSALM

PSALM 32

The Presider and the People say the Psalm responsively by whole verse.

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."**
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

GENESIS 2:15-17; 3:1-7

READER 1

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS:

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing



good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

CANTICLE 14

A SONG OF PENITENCE

(BCP pp. 90-91)

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven, *
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
and of all their righteous offspring:
You made the heavens and the earth, *
with all their vast array.
All things quake with fear at your presence; *
they tremble because of your power.
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure; *
it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.
O Lord, you are full of compassion, *
long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.
You hold back your hand; *
you do not punish as we deserve.
In your great goodness, Lord,
you have promised forgiveness to sinners, *
that they may repent of their sin and be saved.
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart, *
and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, *
and I know my wickedness only too well.
Therefore I make this prayer to you: *
Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.
Do not let me perish in my sin, *
nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent, *
and in me you will show forth your goodness.
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,
in accordance with your great mercy, *
and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises, *
and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.

Please be seated.



THE SECOND READING

ROMANS 5:12-19

READER 2

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CHURCH IN ROME:

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

CANTICLE 16

THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH

(BCP pp. 92-93)

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**



Please be seated.

THE THIRD READING

MATTHEW 4:1-11

RICHARD HENDRICKS

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW:

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

HYMN

O LOVE OF GOD

Blue Hymnal #455

Please be seated.

THE HOMILY

A SEASON FOR DOMINANCE

WRITTEN BY MICHAEL TOY,

A period of silence and personal reflection follows the sermon.

Please stand as able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

(BCP p. 96)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please be seated afterwards.

Today's homily is from *Sermons that Work*. The Domestic Foreign and Missionary Society.
<https://episcopalchurch.org/library/sermon/lent-season-dominance-lent-1-march-1-2020>



ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

[EPHESIANS 5:2]

Please stand as able

OFFERTORY HYMN

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

Red and Black Hymnal #188

DOXOLOGY

Blue Hymnal #380 Verse 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

SUFFRAGES B

(BCP p. 98)

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
R. **Govern them and uphold them, now and always.**
V. Day by day we bless you;
R. **We praise your name for ever.**
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. **Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. **For we put our trust in you.**
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

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.**

A PRAYER FOR EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT

Loving and merciful God, you bestow your grace on all of your children: Remember our sisters and brothers throughout the world who, in partnership with Episcopal Relief & Development, strengthen communities, empower the poor, nourish the hungry, restore the sick and uplift those affected by disaster; and uphold Episcopal Relief & Development for the next seventy-five years, so that your Kingdom might be known to all people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR DISCERNMENT

*(adapted from Prayers for a Planetary Pilgrim
by Edward Hays)*

Awaken me as you breathe upon a winter-wrapped earth, gently calling to life the season of Spring, oh God. Awaken in these fortified days of Lenten prayer and disciple my youthful dream of holiness. Show me how to take the daily things of life



and, by submerging them in the sacred, to infuse them with a great love for you, one another, and our creation. Guide me in my discernment to be an animator/advocate in my community to perform simple acts of love, prayer and real works of renewal of your good creation. Amen.

THE GREAT LITANY

(BCP p. 148-153)

This morning we begin our Lenten experience with “The Great Litany.” Through the prayers of The Great Litany, the Church “sweeps up the whole world in its great and loving arms and offers it up to God to be blessed and sanctified.”

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, **Have mercy upon us.**
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **Have mercy upon us.**
O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful, **Have mercy upon us.**
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, **Have mercy upon us.**

Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy preserve us, for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and from everlasting damnation, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment, **Good Lord, deliver us.**

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show it accordingly, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.



That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind into thy kingdom, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom upon all peoples, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all may enjoy them, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the common good, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or torn by strife, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing and infirm, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**



That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of St Michael and all the saints, we may attain to thy heavenly kingdom, **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us. **Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.**

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world, **Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world, **Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world, **Grant us thy peace.**

O Christ, hear us. **O Christ, hear us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, who has promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in thy Son's Name:
We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ear to us who have now made our prayers and
supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have asked faithfully
according to thy will, may be obtained effectually, to the relief of our necessity, and to the
setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS *Blue Hymnal #142*

Presider: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

~Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour. ~



If you are visiting with us for the first time, please sign our guest book and we'll be in touch.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

PRESIDER:	Richard Hendricks
ALTAR GUILD:	Rod Ditzler
1ST READING:	TBA
2ND READING:	TBA
USHER:	David Segovia
COUNTERS:	David Segovia Philip Randolph



NEWS

Please be in prayer and discernment for the following volunteer positions:

Care of Creation Animator/Advocate

Coffee Hour Coordinator

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Sun., Mar. 1	Sunday Morning Prayer Service <i>The loose cash offerings will be designated for Episcopal Relief and Development</i>	10:00 AM
Sat., Mar. 7	Clocks Spring Forward One Hour	Before Bedtime
Sun., Mar. 8	Holy Eucharist <i>The Rev. Paul Clark Presiding</i>	10:00 AM
Mon., Mar. 9	Kern County Senior Box Day <i>St Michael's Parish Hall, must be 60 years old or over, bring picture ID</i>	Noon-1 PM
Sun., Mar. 15	Sunday Morning Service Monthly Bishop's Committee Meeting <i>Parish Hall Library</i>	10:00 AM ~11:30 AM
Tue., Mar. 17	Food Pantry Open <i>St Michael's Parish Hall</i>	9-11 AM
Sun., Mar. 22	Holy Eucharist <i>The Rev. Paul Clark Presiding</i>	10:00 AM
Sun., Mar. 29	Sunday Morning Prayer Service Alms Sunday <i>The loose cash offerings will be designated for the Parish Discretionary Fund.</i>	10:00 AM

For assistance in obtaining pastoral care please contact our Senior Warden, Richard Hendricks (phone: 760-608-0396, email: richard.w.hendricks@gmail.com).

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Family and friends who are ill or recovering from an illness or hospitalization may like to know that they are remembered in the church's prayers. Saint Michael's starts each month with a new prayer list. If you want to add a name to the prayer list, or have a name stay on the prayer list for another month, please contact Richard Hendricks (phone: 760-608-0396, email: richard.w.hendricks@gmail.com).



OUR MISSION

The people of St. Michael's welcome all those who seek a deeper understanding of God's love for ALL His children. Our congregation is "intentionally inclusive," welcoming all persons without regard to age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or physical or developmental disability.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday Morning Worship Service: 10 AM
Girl Scouts: Mondays and Thursdays in the Parish Hall

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Senior Box Day, Second Monday of the Month, 12 Noon
Food Pantry Open, Third Tuesday of the Month, 9-11 AM

OFFICE HOURS

Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.
9-11 AM	10 AM – Noon	9-11 AM	10 AM – Noon

LONG TERM SUPPLY PRIEST

The Rev. Paul Clark

BISHOP'S COMMITTEE

Sr. Warden: Richard Hendricks

Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Philip Randolph, Clerk	Cathy Kline	David Waller, Jr. Warden
David Segovia	Cassidi Reese	Sandy Davis
Treasurer: Lisa Kidder		

2020 DIOCESAN CONVENTION DELEGATES

Philip Randolph and Cassidi Reese

1st Alternate: Richard Hendricks 2nd Alternate: Alana Spurling



EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SAN JOAQUIN

THE RT. REV'D DAVID C. RICE, EPISCOPAL BISHOP OF SAN JOAQUIN

This service conforms to Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two, which begins on page 75 of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Scripture readings are appointed by the Revised Common Lectionary (Episcopal) and are excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, copyright 1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Church of Christ in the USA.. Psalm texts are taken from the BCP. Other liturgical elements may include materials compiled from publications including Enriching Our Worship (EOW) and the 2018 Book of Occasional Services (BOS).