



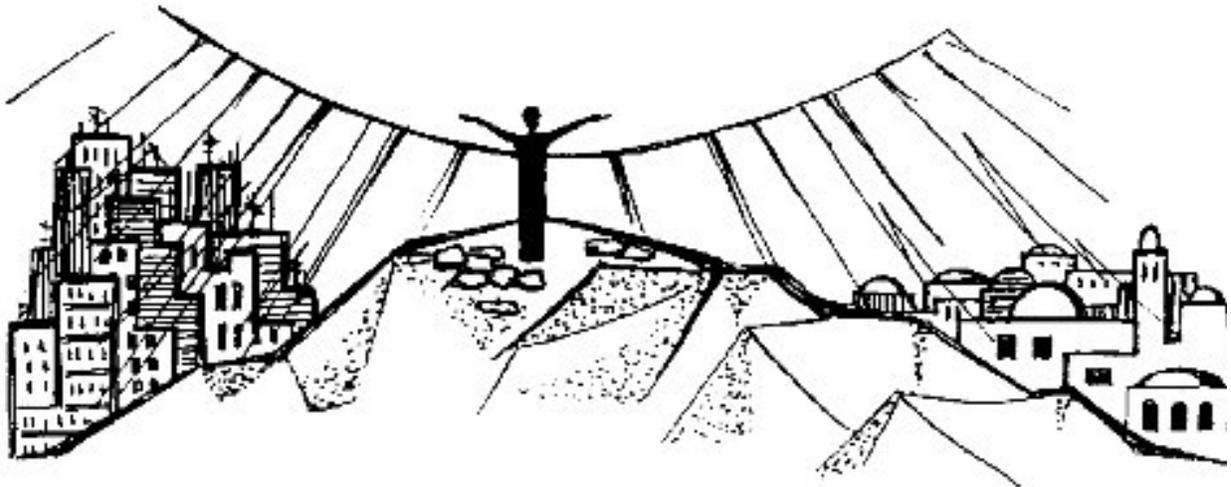
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## DAILY MORNING PRAYER RITE II WITH THE GREAT LITANY

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT + FEBRUARY 21, 2021, 10 AM

Zoom Meeting ID: 928 461 1047, Password: StMichael



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are honored to have Canon Anna with us this morning.  
We will have a Zoom Coffee Hour immediately after Morning Prayer.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Today	Bishop's Committee Meeting, 1 p.m.
Tuesday, February 23	Food Pantry Day, 9-11 a.m.
Monday, March 8	Kern County Senior Box Day, 12 Noon

### WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays, 10 a.m.	St. James Episcopal Cathedral Live-Stream Morning Prayer Service Link: <a href="https://www.stjamesfresno.org/together">https://www.stjamesfresno.org/together</a>
Sundays, 11:30 a.m.	St. Michael's Zoom Coffee Hour Zoom Meeting ID: 928 461 1047, Password: StMichael Phone: (669) 900-6833, meeting ID 928 461 1047, password "870493"
Sundays, 6 p.m.	St. Paul's, Bakersfield Live-Stream Evening Prayer Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/GraceEpiscopalBakersfield/">https://www.facebook.com/GraceEpiscopalBakersfield/</a> YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/EpiscopalGrace">https://www.youtube.com/user/EpiscopalGrace</a>
Mondays, 10:30 a.m.	St. Paul's, Bakersfield Monday Morning Coffee (or Tea) Hour Zoom link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98519020050">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98519020050</a>
Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.	St. Michael's Zoom Evening Prayer Zoom Meeting ID: 928 461 1047, Password: StMichael

Please continue to mail your offerings to the church (at the mailing address above) or to give to the church online using tithe.ly (<https://tithe.ly/give?c=2212452>).

### 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.



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## SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

### PRESIDER

The Rev. Canon Anna Carmichael, PhD

### RESPONDER

Richard Hendricks

### READERS

Alana Spurling

Sandy Davis

Dave Waller

### OPENING SENTENCE

I JOHN 1:8, 9

(BCP p. 76)

*Presider:* If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

(BCP p. 79)

*The Presider says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silent confession will be observed.*

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.

*The Priest says*

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.

### INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*Presider* O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

*Responder* **And your glory all the day long.**

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.



## VENITE

(EOW p. 20)

*The Presider and the **Responder** responsively by whole verse.*

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

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

**Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise to the Lord a shout with psalms.**

For you are a great God; \*

you are great above all gods.

**In your hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are yours also.**

The sea is yours, for you made it, \*

and your hands have molded the dry land.

**Come, let us bow down and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

For you are our God,

and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. \*

Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

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



## THE PSALM

PSALM 25:1-9

*The Presider and the **Responder** say the Psalm responsively by whole verse.*

- <sup>1</sup> 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.
- <sup>2</sup> **Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**
- <sup>3</sup> Show me your ways, O Lord, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- <sup>4</sup> **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.**
- <sup>5</sup> Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- <sup>6</sup> **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.**
- <sup>7</sup> Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- <sup>8</sup> **He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.**
- <sup>9</sup> All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## THE LESSONS

### THE FIRST READING

GENESIS 9:8-17

ALANA SPURLING

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."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.



## CANTICLE 16

## THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH

(EOW p. 27)

*The Presider and the **Responder** responsively by whole verse.*

Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel, \*  
you have come to your people and set them free.

**You have raised up for us a mighty Savior, \***  
**born of the house of your servant David.**

Through your holy prophets you promised of old to save us from our enemies, \*  
from the hands of all who hate us,

**To show mercy to our forebears, \***  
**and to remember your holy covenant.**

This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

**Free to worship you without fear, \***  
**holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life.**

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,

**To give God's 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.**

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## THE SECOND READING

1 PETER 3:18-22

SANDY DAVIS

A READING FROM PETER'S FIRST LETTER:

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.



## CANTICLE 21

WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD

(EOW p. 29)

We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;  
all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.  
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you:  
Father, of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

When you took our flesh to set us free you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come to be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

## THE THIRD READING

MARK 1:9-15

DAVE WALLER

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK:

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."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

## THE HOMILY

THE REV. ANNA CARMICHAEL, PHD

CANON TO THE ORDINARY, EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SAN JOAQUIN

*A period of silence and personal reflection follows the sermon.*



## 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 PRAYERS

*Presider:* God be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

## SUFFRAGES B

(BCP p. 98)

- 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 COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

(BCP p. 98)

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.



## THE GREAT LITANY

(EOW#1 pp. 46-49)

*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."*

*Leader and Responder*

I.

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>

II.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy;  
from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,  
**Savior deliver us.**

From sloth, worldliness and love of money;  
from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,  
**Savior deliver us.**

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,  
**Savior deliver us.**

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,  
**Savior deliver us.**

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy;  
in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience;  
by your baptism, fasting and temptation,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power;  
by the preaching of your reign,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension;  
and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,  
**Savior deliver us.**

III.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth;  
and grant it that unity which is your will.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**



Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world,  
and to make disciples of all the nations.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding,  
that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted;  
raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

IV.

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give your wisdom and strength to the Joseph, the President of the United States,  
Gavin, the Governor of California, and Eric, the Mayor of Ridgecrest, that in all things they  
may do your will, for your glory and the common good.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, those  
who serve in our state legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in  
the ways of truth.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Bless the justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may  
act with integrity and do justice for all your people.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Bless and keep all your people,

**Hear us, O Christ.**

V.

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and  
provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

**Hear us, O Christ.**



Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees,  
and all who are in trouble.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Hear us as we remember those who have died  
and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

VI.

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate  
sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(BCP p. 153)

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.**

V. O Lord, let your mercy be showed upon us;

R. **As we do put our trust in you.**

### **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

(BCP p. 153)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast 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 SENTENCE**

2 CORINTHIANS 13:14

(BCP p. 126)

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 stay with us for our Zoom Coffee Hour. ~*





## 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.

## LONG TERM SUPPLY PRIEST

The Rev. Paul Clark

## BISHOP'S COMMITTEE

Sr. Warden: Richard Hendricks

Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
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	Sandy Davis	Alana Spurling
	Treasurer: Lisa Kidder	

## 2021 DIOCESAN CONVENTION DELEGATES

Richard Hendricks and Cassidi Reese

*1<sup>st</sup> Alternate: David Waller 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate: Alana Spurling*



## EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SAN JOAQUIN

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

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