

ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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DAILY MORNING PRAYER RITE II

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 6, 2021, 10 a.m.

PRESIDER

Richard Hendricks

READER

Sandy Davis

OPENING AND CONFESSION

The presider is seated informally (no procession).

Please stand as able for the opening hymn.

OPENING HYMN

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

Hymnal #397

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)

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 forever. Amen.**

PSALM 95

(BCP p. 724)

The Presider and the People read responsively.

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

- 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**
- 3 For the LORD is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 **In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.**
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 **Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.**
- 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
- 8 **Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did in the wilderness, *
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, when they tempted me.**
- 9 They put me to the test, *
though they had seen my works.
- 10 **Forty years long I detested that generation and said, *
"This people are wayward in their hearts; they do not know my ways."**
- 11 So I swore in my wrath, *
"They shall not enter into my rest."

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

Please be seated.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16

(BCP p. 719)

(The Leader and the People say the Psalm responsively by whole verse.)

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 **He shall say to the LORD, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."**
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 **There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.**

- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 **They shall bear you in their hands, ***
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 **Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; ***
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 **With long life will I satisfy him, ***
and show him my salvation.

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

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

DEUTERONOMY 26:1-11

SANDY DAVIS

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY:

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

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.

(Prayer of Manasseh 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15)

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

ROMANS 10:8B-13

SANDY DAVIS

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS:

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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.

(Luke 1: 68-79)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *

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

Please be seated.

THE GOSPEL READING

LUKE 4:1-13

RICHARD HENDRICKS

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF LUKE.

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE HOMILY

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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 (BCP p. 218)

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 PEACE

(BCP p. 99)

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT LITANY

(EOW#1 pp. 46-49)

This morning we begin Lent 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."

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,
Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,
Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,
Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, One God,

**Have mercy on us.
Have mercy on us.
Have mercy on us.
Have mercy on us.**

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.

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.

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

Hear us, O Christ.

Give your wisdom and strength to 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.**

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.**

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.

THE SUPPLICATION

(BCP pp. 154-155 adapted)

For use especially in times of war, or of national anxiety, or of disaster.

O Lord, arise, help us; **And deliver us for thy Name's sake.**

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that you did in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us; and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

O Lord, arise, help us; and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

- V. From our enemies defend us, O Christ;
R. **Graciously behold our afflictions.**
V. With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts;
R. **Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.**

- V. Favorably with mercy hear our prayers;
 R. **O Son of David, have mercy upon us.**
 V. Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ;
 R. **Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

(BCP p. 155 adapted)

Let us pray.

We humbly beseech you, O God, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and, for the glory of your Name, turn from us all those evils that we most justly have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in your mercy, and evermore serve you in holiness and pureness of living, to your honor and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING SENTENCE

2 CORINTHIANS 13:14

(BCP p. 154)

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.**

CLOSING HYMN

O LOVE, HOW DEEP HOW BROAD HOW HIGH

Hymnal #448

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<p>The Lenten Bible Study during Coffee Hour starts today.</p> <p>Evening Prayer followed by "Bible Study with the Saints"</p> <p>Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. Zoom ID: 86184998917 Password: 573597</p> <p>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86184998917?pwd=Y3BLcnNaUFNCaFlrZThHekFKTnhDZz09</p> <p>Please mail your offerings to the church (at the mailing address above) or give to the church online using tithe.ly (https://tithe.ly/give?c=2212452).</p> <p>For pastoral care: please call Deacon Cathy at 760-384-8824 or email countmyblessings1@gmail.com</p>

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.

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).