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A PENITENTIAL ORDER RITE II

March 13, 2022, 10:00 AM

CLERGY

PRESIDER: The Rev. Paul Clark

DEACON: The Rev. Cathy Kline

READER

Nani Banks

CRUCIFER

Alana Spurling

ALTAR GUILD

Renée Westa-Lusk

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand as able for the Opening Hymn

OPENING HYMN

THE GOD OF ABRAHAM PRAISE

Hymnal #401

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His Mercy endures forever.**

THE DECALOGUE: CONTEMPORARY

(BCP p. 350)

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not commit murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not be a false witness.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider: If we say that 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.

(1 John 1:8,9)

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

(BCP p. 352)

Deacon: 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.**



Priest: 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.**

KYRIE

(BCP p. 356)

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT (BCP p. 218)

God be with you.

And also with you.

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.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

GENESIS 15:1-12,17-18

NANI BANKS

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS.

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

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

Thanks be to God.



THE RESPONSE

PSALM 27

NANI BANKS

Remaining seated, the Reader and the People say the Psalm responsively by whole verse.

THE PSALM APPOINTED IS PSALM 27.

- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 **When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, ***
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4 **And though war should rise up against me, ***
yet will I put my trust in him.
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
- 6 **To behold the fair beauty of the LORD ***
and to seek him in his temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 **Even now he lifts up my head ***
above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.
- 10 **Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; ***
have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.
- 12 **Hide not your face from me, ***
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 14 **Though my father and my mother forsake me, ***
the LORD will sustain me.
- 15 Show me your way, O LORD; *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.
- 16 **Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, ***
for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.



17 What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the LORD *
in the land of the living!

18 **O tarry and await the LORD'S pleasure;
be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; *
wait patiently for the LORD.**

THE SECOND READING

PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1

NANI BANKS

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS..

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE MUSIC

Please stand as able for the Gospel Reading.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 13:31-35

THE REV. DEACON CATHY KLINE

Gospeller

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

THE REV. DEACON CATHY KLINE

A period of silence and personal reflection follows the sermon.



THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as able

(BCP pp. 358-359)

We believe in one God, **the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE REV. DEACON CATHY KLINE

Rejoicing in the light of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Send down your Spirit, O God, upon your Church. Fill with your life and grace Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, David our Bishop, and all your people. May we be good news to those poor in spirit and poor in resources.

God our refuge and our stronghold

Hear us, and show us your salvation.

Send down your Spirit, O God, upon us who are care called by your name, as in the Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of Melanesia, and in our diocese for the work and ministry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Modesto.

God our refuge and our stronghold

Hear us, and show us your salvation.

Send down your Spirit, O God, upon the nations of the earth. Challenge them with your justice and mercy. May Joseph our President, Gavin our Governor, Eric our Mayor, and all in authority work with integrity for the common good.

God our refuge and our stronghold

Hear us, and show us your salvation.

Send down your Spirit, O God, upon this community. Prosper the work of your church. May our lives be signs of our kingdom, and a blessing for those among whom we live and work.

God our refuge and our stronghold

Hear us, and show us your salvation.

Send down your Spirit, O God, upon all living in sickness or distress. Make known your healing presence to Stan, Rita, Sandy, and all in need. May earth and heaven resound with your praise.

God our refuge and our stronghold

Hear us, and show us your salvation.

Send down your Spirit, O God, those whom we love but see no longer. Fulfill in all who have died your promise of resurrection. May we with them come to the fulfillment of your redemption.

God our refuge and our stronghold

Hear us, and show us your salvation.



Presider Almighty God, hear our prayer and fulfill your purposes in us as you accomplished your will in our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please stay in your pew. Waving, bowing and peace signs are appropriate. Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RICHARD HENDRICKS

Lenten Bible Study during Coffee Hour continues today.

Evening Prayer followed by Bible Study with the Saints

Wednesdays | 6:00 p.m. | [Zoom Link](#)

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>).

For pastoral care: please call Deacon Cathy at 760-384-8824 or email countmyblessings1@gmail.com

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY INVITATION EPHESIANS 5:2

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

Please stand as able for the Offertory Hymn

OFFERTORY HYMN HAIL, THOU ONCE DESPISED JESUS

Hymnal #495

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

(BCP p. 369)

Please stand as able.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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.

By your will they were created and have their being.

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.

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

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.

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

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:



SANCTUS

(BCP p. 371)

**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.**

The Presider continues

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,

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

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and the Virgin Mary; 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.

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

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. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(BCP p. 364)

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

(BCP p. 364)

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



WHEREVER YOU ARE IN YOUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME AT GOD'S TABLE.

Please come up to the altar rail for communion.

The Bread is given to the people using these words The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

The response is:

Amen.

Gluten free wafers are available upon request, please ask the minister during Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC

CONCLUDING RITE

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

(BCP p. 366)

The people may stand or kneel.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

(BOS p. 11)

Bow down before the Lord.

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

O LOVE, HOW DEEP, HOW BROAD, HOW HIGH

Hymnal #448

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

If you are new to St. Michael's, please sign our guest book and we'll be in touch.

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.