



## The Second Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist

9:00am February 25, 2024

**Prelude** Prelude in B minor by J.S. Bach

**Tolling of the Bell & Welcome**

**Opening Hymn #401 vv. 1-2** The God of Abraham praise *Sung by all*

### Acclamation

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endures forever.**

### Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

### Kyrie

*Celebrant* Lord have mercy upon us.

*People* **Christ have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* Lord have mercy upon us.

### Confession

*BCP p. 41, Said by all*

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, spare those who confess their faults, restore those who are penitent, according to the promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.**

### Absolution

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### Lesson Romans 4:13-25

*Seated*

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.**

### 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.

*All* **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**

*Standing, sung by all*

**Gradual Hymn #441 vv. 1-2** In the cross of Christ I glory

**The Gospel** Mark 8:31-38 *Standing*

*Deacon* 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."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon** The Rev. Benjamin Phillips *Seated*

**The Nicene Creed** *Standing; said by all*

**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.**

**Prayers of the People** *Standing*

*After each bidding the congregation is invited to offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

*Leader* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. We pray for the Universal Church, its members, and its mission.

We pray for the Nation and all in authority.

We pray for the welfare of the world, especially those regions troubled by violence or unrest.

We pray for the concerns of our local community.

We pray for all who are sick or in any kind of trouble [especially...]

We remember those who have died in the faith. [especially...]

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Celebrant adds a closing Collect*

**The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

**Announcements**

**Offertory Music** What a friend we have in Jesus *Sung by all*

We have trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged, Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our every weakness, Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden? Cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge, Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

**Offering** *You may make an offering after the service. The plate is located near the doors. You may also give online [stgeorgesdayton.org](http://stgeorgesdayton.org) or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204.*

## Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant continues with Preface...* Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**S125 Sanctus** *Sung by all*  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosannah in the highest, hosannah in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosannah in the highest.**

*Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.*  
*At the conclusion, the people join, Amen.*

**The Lord's Prayer** *Said by all*  
**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

**Prayer of Humble Access** *Said by all*  
**We do not presume to come to this your Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

### Directions for receiving Communion

- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer instead of drinking from the chalice, lay ministers with small intinction cups will be available on both sides. The larger chalices are only for drinking.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please pass the lay ministers and return directly to your pew.

**Communion Music** Kneel at the Cross

**Prayer after Communion** *Standing, said by all*  
**Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank you for feeding us in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and therefore assuring us of your favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

**Solemn Prayer of Blessing**

**Closing Hymn #637 vv. 1-2** How firm a foundation *Sung by all*

**Dismissal**

*Deacon says a dismissal*

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Fugue in B minor by J.S. Bach

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# The Weekly Messenger

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LENT

On Wednesdays during Lent at noon, we will offer the Stations of the Cross, a 20-minute devotional which imprints Christ's passion on our hearts. You are welcome to bring a packed lunch and stay for fellowship afterwards.

## EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Easter flower memorial envelopes will be available to pick up from the pews and in the narthex beginning March 3. Please turn in to the church office before Tuesday, March 19 for the memorial names to be added to the Easter bulletin.



**LENTEN SOUP SUPPER** March 10 at 5pm in the Undercroft. Potluck dinner and fellowship! Bring a dish to share, or just come anyway! Look for sign-ups in the Welcome Lounge for soups & sides coming soon.



**ORGAN RECITAL** March 10 at 6:15pm in the Sanctuary featuring organist, Rachel Lammi.

## BAG LUNCH DONATION EVENT



We need volunteers on Sunday, March 17 at noon to help pack 100 sack lunches for clients of St. Vincent DePaul. Also needed: cookie donations to add into the lunch bags. Look for the sign-up board in the Welcome Lounge beginning March 3. Contact: Julie Powers (937) 602-1335.

## DLM GOOD NEIGHBORS PROGRAM

Did you know that every time you shop at Dorothy Lane Market (DLM) and scan your DLM Club Card, you can be "crediting" St. George's with the purchase through the Good Neighbor Program? Be sure to link your DLM Club Card to St. George's Episcopal Church as an easy way for us to earn money to fuel our mission. Add us now at [www.dorothyane.com/club-dlm/good-neighbor](http://www.dorothyane.com/club-dlm/good-neighbor). At the end of the year, St. George's will be credited a prorated amount based on the total donation by DLM, determined by the purchases of club members.



## WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Income \$6,376.78	Year to Date Income \$109,557.69
Weekly Expenses \$14,285.00	Year to Date Expenses \$91,241.00

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