

# **ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

## **Shawnee, Kansas**



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## **A SERVICE OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

### **THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

February 21, 2021

## The Opening Hymn

*Forty Days and Forty Nights*  
*The Hymnal 1982 #150*

1. Forty days and forty nights  
thou wast fasting in the wild;  
forty days and forty nights  
tempted, and yet undefiled.

2. Should not we thy sorrow  
share and from worldly joys  
abstain, fasting with  
unceasing prayer, strong with  
thee to suffer pain?

3. Then if Satan on us press,  
Jesus, Savior, hear our call!  
Victor in the wilderness,  
grant we may not faint or fall!

4. So shall we have peace  
divine: holier gladness ours  
shall be; round us, too, shall  
angels shine, such as  
ministered to thee.

5. Keep, O keep us, Savior  
dear, ever constant by thy side;  
that we thee we may appear at  
the eternal Eastertide.

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### The Opening Acclamation

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

*People* ***His mercy endures for ever. Amen.***

### The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
***Amen.***

*Said all together*

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, have mercy.**

**Lord, have mercy.**

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.***

## THE LESSONS

### The Old Testament      Genesis 9: 8-17

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."

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### The Psalm      Psalm 25: 1-9

*Ad te, Domine, levavi*

- 1 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.**
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.**
- 4 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.**
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.**
- 6 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.**

**7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.**

**8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.**

**9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

**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 Epistle 1 Peter 3: 18-22**

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.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

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

### **Gospel Anthem**

*Christ When For Us You Were Baptized  
The Hymnal 1982 #121*

1. Christ, when for us you were baptized,  
God's Spirit on you came, as peaceful as a  
dove and yet as urgent as a flame.

2. God called you His beloved son, called  
you His servant true, sent you His kingdom  
to proclaim, His holy will to do.

3. Straightway and steadfast until death  
you then obeyed His call freely as Son of  
Man to serve and give your life for all.

4. Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord, your  
cross on us be signed, that, likewise in  
God's service we may perfect freedom find.

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### **The Gospel        Mark 1: 9 – 15**

*Priest*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

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.”

*Priest*                      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                      ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**Sermon                      The Reverend Jonathan Brice**



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## **The Nicene Creed**

*All stand and say together.*

**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 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  
February 21, 2021  
The First Sunday in Lent**

*We are baptized to lift up, day by day, all the needy world to God.  
Let us pray for all who are in need, saying: **Have mercy, O Lord.***

For the church, that all who have found God's promise in the waters of baptism may enter gladly into the testing time of Lent, we pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

For our world, that all living creatures may find goodness on the earth, our home, where life and death may both be God's blessing, we pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

For deliverance, that in the wastelands made by our greed and indifference we may fast from evil and grow hungry for justice, we pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

For ourselves in this assembly, that we may strain forward toward Easter, caring for our sick and needy, remembering our dead, believing in our every deed the good news, we pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

For all those who have claim to our intercession, we pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Anglican Church of Central America

**In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the people of Portugal, Spain, Italy and Malta

**In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. Paul's, Coffeyville

We pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

**For Those Serving in the Armed Forces:** Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Coy Goodman; Michael Green; Harvey Hayselden; Drew Hunnicutt; Benjamin Karpinski; Patrick McAnerney; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Brian Wichaël; Collin Kelly; Macauley Garton; Frank Bednar; Grant Bednar

We pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

**For Health & Strength:** Fred Kniggendorf; Deb Callaway; Deanne and Kelly; Jeanette Burris; Becky Stanley; Marcia Streepy; the family of Wayne White; Craig Knabel; Candace Harvey; Rose Youngs;

We pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

**For Birthdays:** Emma Uhrmacher; Tom Hayselden; Ellie Jaquish; Dennis Phillips; Clareen Jones

We pray: ***Have mercy, O Lord.***

**For Anniversaries:** Greg and Cynthia Keller

*God of wild beasts and of angels, of waters and wilderness, remember us; remember all whom we remember; remember the Covenant you made with every living creature, for that is our bond with you now and forever. Amen.*

### **Birthday Prayer**

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Anniversary Prayer**

O gracious and ever living God, look mercifully upon this couple who come to you seeking your blessing on this their anniversary, continue assisting them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep the promises and vows they have made; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

### **The Confession of Sin**

*Priest* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Priest and People*

**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.**

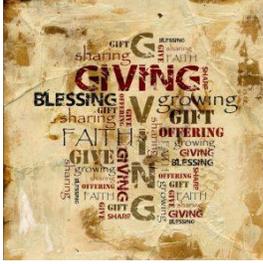
*Priest*

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.**

### **The Exchange of Peace**

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

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



## The Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## Offertory Anthem

*The Glory of These Forty Days*  
*The Hymnal 1982 #143*

1. The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise; for Christ, by whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed.

2. Alone and fasting Moses saw the loving God who gave the law; and to Elijah, fasting, came the steeds and chariots of flame.

3. So Daniel trained his mystic sight, delivered from the lions' might; and John, the Bridegroom's friend, became the herald of Messiah's name.

4. Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full off in fast and prayer with thee; our spirits strengthen with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.

5. O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, to thee be every prayer addressed, who art in three-fold Name adored, from age to age, the only Lord.

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## The Presentation of Bread



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## Eucharistic Prayer A

*Standing as you are able.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*Celebrant*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**AMEN.**

*Celebrant*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**The Lord's Prayer**

*(All together)*

**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**

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

## Communion Hymn

## Spirit Song

### Verse 1

Oh let the Son of God enfold  
you with His Spirit and His  
love; Let Him fill your heart and  
satisfy your soul. Oh let Him  
have those things that hold  
you, and His Spirit like a dove  
will descend upon your life and  
make you whole. *[Chorus]*

### Chorus

Jesus oh Jesus  
Come and fill Your lambs  
Jesus oh Jesus  
Come and fill Your lambs

### Verse 2

Oh come and sing this song with  
gladness As your hearts are filled  
with joy; Lift your hands in sweet  
surrender to His name. Oh give Him  
all your tears and sadness, give Him  
all your years of pain, and you'll enter  
into life in Jesus' name. *[Chorus]*

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*A spiritual communion is a devotional action that anyone can pray. It expresses the desire to receive Holy Communion at a moment where circumstances impede them from actually receiving the consecrated bread and wine.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

*Priest*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Announcements

### The Closing Hymn

*Songs of Thankfulness and Praise  
The Hymnal 1982 #135*

1. Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise, manifested by the star to the sages from afar; branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem; anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

2. Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; and at Cana, wedding-guest, in thy Godhead manifest; manifest in power divine, changing water into wine; anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

3. Manifest in making whole palsied limbs and fainting soul; manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might; manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill; anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

4 Manifest on mountain height, shining in resplendent light, where disciples filled with awe thy transfigured glory saw. Where from there thou leddest them steadfast to Jerusalem, cross and Easter Day attest God in man made manifest.

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### The Dismissal

*Deacon*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*      ***Thanks be to God.***



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