

THE SENT: GOD'S CHURCH DEPLOYED

An Anglican online presence
in the Deanery of Essex,
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the Diocese of Huron,
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A Service of the Word
for

The 2nd Sunday of Lent – March 5th, 2023

Opening Responary & Gathering of the Community

- One Cast your burden upon the Lord,
All and he will sustain you.
- One Create in me a clean heart, O God,
All and renew a right spirit within me.
- One Cast me not away from your presence
All and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
- One Give me the joy of your saving help again
All and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
- One Blessed be the Lord day by day,
All the God of our salvation, who bears our burdens.
- One We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on
the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your
blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past,
and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord.
- All Amen.

Welcome

Opening Hymn CP 5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Confession and Absolution

- One Most merciful God,
All 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 neighbours 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.
- One Friends, God is for us and not against us! For that very reason, God
sent the Son into the world not to condemn the world, but that
the world might be saved through him. Believe the good news, in
Jesus Christ we are forgiven!
- All Amen.

The Peace

One The peace of the Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

Act of Praise CP 40 O Spirit of the Living God

Ash Wednesday Collect

One Almighty and everlasting God, you despise nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Collect of the Day

One God of mercy, you are full of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive: grant us grace to renounce all evil and to cling to Christ, so that in every way we may prove to be your loving children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm 121

Second Reading Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Gradual Hymn CP 619

Fairest Lord Jesus

Gospel Reading John 3:1-17

Sermon

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Apostles' Creed

One Let us confess our faith as we say,

All 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.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Please respond to each petition with "Come, Holy Spirit, come."

Offering

Offertory Hymn CP 505

Be Thou My Vision

One God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

One And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,
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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Doxology

One Glory to God
All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn CP 503. Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might

Dismissal

One Go out in faith, trusting in God's sense of direction. Remember how much God loves this world and so love the world in the name of Christ, that your testimony becomes the good news someone else has been waiting to receive.

All Thanks be to God.

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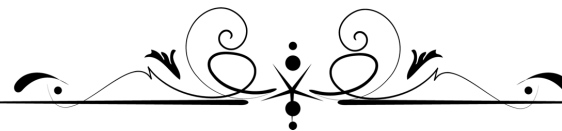
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IN LENT**

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WEEKLY SCRIPTURES
WITH US**

7pm

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Announcements

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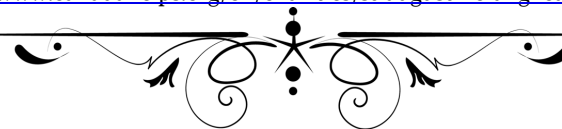
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First Reading: GENESIS 12:1-4A

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

THE WORD OF THE LORD. All Thanks be to God

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

REFRAIN The Lord himself watches over you.

He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep;

REFRAIN The Lord himself watches over you.

The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand, So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

REFRAIN The Lord himself watches over you.

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

REFRAIN The Lord himself watches over you.

Glory be to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Second Reading: ROMANS 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. 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.

THE WORD OF THE LORD. All Thanks be to God

The Gospel JOHN 3:1-17

One The Lord be with you. All And also with you.

One The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, what whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The gospel of Christ. All Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymns

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Opening Hymn CP 5

Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes and warm my heart.

3 Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, Radiancy divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Act of Praise CP 40

O Spirit of the Living God

1 O Spirit of the living God,
in all the fullness of thy grace,
wherever human foot hath trod,
descend on our rebellious race.

2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love
to preach the reconciling word;
give power and unction from above,
whene'er the joyful sound is heard.

3 Be darkness at thy coming light;
confusion, order in thy path;
souls without strength inspire with
might,
bid mercy triumph over wrath.

4 O Spirit of the Lord, prepare
all the round earth its God to meet;
breathe thou abroad like morning air,
till hearts of stone begin to beat.

5 Baptize the nations; far and nigh
the triumph of the cross record;
the name of Jesus glorify,
till every kindred call him Lord.

Gradual Hymn CP 619

Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature,
O thou the Godhead's human Son,
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honour,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
who makes the troubled heart to sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
than all the angels heaven can boast.

4 All fairest beauty,
heavenly and earthly,
wondrously, Jesus, is found in thee;
none can be nearer,
fairer, or dearer
than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

Offertory Hymn CP 505

Be Thou My Vision

1 Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me,
save that thou art--
thou my best thought
by day or by night,
waking or sleeping,
thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom,
and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee
and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father,
thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling,
and I one with thee.

3 Riches I heed not,
nor the world's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance,
now and always:
thou and thou only,
first in my heart,
High King of heaven,
my treasure thou art.

4 High King of heaven,
when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart,
whatever befall,
still be my vision,
O Ruler of all.

Closing Song CP 503 Fight the Good Fight with All Thy

Might

1 Fight the good fight with all your might,
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy
right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

2 Run the straight race through God's
good grace;
lift up thine eyes, and seek his face.
Life with its path before us lies;
Christ is the way and Christ the prize.

3 Cast care aside, lean on thy guide;
his boundless mercy will provide.
Trust, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life and Christ its love.

4 Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near;
he changeth not, and thou are dear.
Only believe, and thou shalt see
that Christ is all in all to thee.