



# THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY 13 MARCH 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

## Welcome and Announcements

## THE WORD OF GOD

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O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### The Lesson: Genesis (15:1–12,17–18)

*The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 11*

#### Commentary:

*Abram had obeyed the Lord's command to leave his home and travel to a new land. Along with the command, God had promised Abram that he would have many descendants. But now, many years later, Abram was still childless and quite old, so he assumed his heir would be his chief servant, Eliezer. However, God assured Abram that the promised descendants would come through a natural-born son, not an adopted heir. Abram believed God's promises to give him land and descendants and because of his faith, God declared Abram righteous. God also made a covenant with Abram. The fulfillment of this covenant did not depend on Abram's obedience, it rested entirely on God's faithfulness.*

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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*(continued overleaf)*

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

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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 be to thee, O Christ.**

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The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

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*Celebrant: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr.; Preacher: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard*

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