



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY 13 MARCH 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

9:00 A.M.

*To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Saviour;
to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers
and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whosoever will come—this church opens wide her doors*

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Gathering Music *(Please join in singing the gathering music, which will begin at 8:50 am)*

Hymn “Bless the Lord, my soul”

Jacques Berthier

Please join in the repeated refrain.

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Hymn “Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him”

Nettleton

Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him; praise him angels in the height;
sun and moon, rejoice before him; praise him, all ye stars of light.
Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken; worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
laws which never shall be broken for their guidance he hath made.

Stanza 2 follows immediately overleaf.

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious never shall his promise fail;
God hath made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation! Hosts on high, his power proclaim;
heaven and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his Name.

Welcome and Announcements

Proclamation Hymn 401 “The God of Abraham praise” Leoni

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355

Collect for Purity

Kyrie eleison

Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

St. Elizabeth

Collect of the Day 218

The Lessons:

Genesis 15:1–12, 17–18 NRSV, p. 11

After the reading, the children leave for Children’s Chapel.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31–35 NRSV, p. 953

After the piano introduces the theme,
the antiphon is sung first by the Choir, then repeated by all.

Hon - or and praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end - less glo - ry.

FAITH FORMATION TODAY

- ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

 - COMBINED CLASS “THIS IS US” - Great Hall
This Sunday we are focusing on Educators. The panelists will include Raymond Burt, Michelle Grey, Mandy Hackler and Derrick Miller.
- CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH FAITH FORMATION**

 - PRESCHOOLERS - Preschool Classroom
 - ELEMENTARY STUDENTS - Yoga Room - Break out into small groups after a fun gathering together!
 - 6th - 12th GRADERS - Youth Room - “Confirm not Conform”

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

- MON.- FRI, MARCH 14-20**

 - MORNING PRAYER
8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom

MONDAY, MARCH 14

 - SJDS TEACHER WORKDAY
No School
 - VESTRY MEETING
5:15 PM | Bishop Wright Rm or Zoom
 - FELLOWSHIP AA
7:00 PM | Great Hall

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

 - MEN’S AL ANON
5:15-7:00 PM | Bishop Wright Room
 - SACRED GROUND
7:00-8:30 PM | Zoom
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16**

 - STARBUCKS BIBLE STUDY
7:00 AM | SB on S. 17th Street
 - BYOBible STUDY
11:00 AM | Graham Parlor or Zoom
 - HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM | St. James Sanctuary
 - CHILDREN’S CHOIR PRACTICE
5:45 PM | Children’s Chapel
 - EPISCOPOSSE - WOMEN’S GROUP
8:15 PM | Zoom

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

ST. PATRICK’S DAY

 - PRAYING SHAPES BELIEVING
6:00-7:15 PM | Lippitt Room
 - CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00 PM | Choir Room

FRIDAY, MARCH 18
- SATURDAY, MARCH 19**

 - SUNRISE SERENITY AL-ANON
7:45-9:45 AM | Bishop Wright Room

SUNDAY, MARCH 20

 - HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I
8:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
 - HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
9:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
 - ONLINE RITE II LIVE STREAM
9 & 11:15 AM | SJ Website or FB
 - FAITH FORMATION
10:00 AM | St. James Parish
 - HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
11:15 AM | St. James Parish
 - YOUTH GROUP
5:00 PM | Youth Room

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

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.’ ”



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

*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Dr. and Mrs. Charles P. Graham.*

Verse



Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

All repeat the antiphon.

The Sermon The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr.

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: “Lead gently, Lord” Clif Cason

Lead gently, Lord, and slow,
For oh, my steps are weak,
And ever as I go,
Some soothing sentence speak;

That I may turn my face
Through doubt’s obscurity
toward thine abiding-place,
E’en tho’ I cannot see.

For lo, the way is dark;
Through mist and cloud I grope,
Save for that fitful spark,
The little flame of hope.

Lead gently, Lord, and slow,
For fear that I may fall;
I know not where to go
Unless I hear thy call.

My fainting soul doth yearn
For thy green hills afar;
So let thy mercy burn-
My greater, guiding star!

Paul Laurence Dunbar

Presentation Hymn 380 (stanza 3) “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow” Old 100th

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A361

Sanctus WLP 858Land of Rest

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Cantor Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People There - fore let us keep the feast.

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The Dismissal366

Postlude:

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The Collect

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.**

Genesis 15:1–12, 17–18

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.”