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Second Sunday in Lent
March 16, 2024
10:00 a.m.

The Right Reverend Peter Eaton, Bishop
The Very Reverend Cori Olson, Rector – The Reverend Sonley Joseph, Priest
The Reverend Bob Sullivan & The Reverend April Alford-Harkey, Deacons

Steve Ragsdale, Acolyte & Reader
Alison Albury, Reader

Michael Hoagland & Joe Kolb, Ushers

Mary Nelson, Organist
James Balmer, Choir Director

Choir: Lucretia Alexandru, Marie Alford-Harkey, Ron Bukley, Chuck Clarke, Linda Crisman,
Jon Flath, Alicia Longwell, Debra McNerney, Twig Morris, Jean Claud Sanon, John Shepherd,
Carol Sink, Kathi Smith, Linda Sullivan, Alice Van Lennep, Sandy Wertz

Lissie Bartlett – AVL Board

Catherine Kollar-Dye, Vestry Person of the Day

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Processional Hymn – #401 – The God of Abraham Praise

[1] *“The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above; Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love; the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed: we bow and bless the sacred Name forever blest.”*

[2] *“He by himself hath sworn: we on his oath depend; we shall, on eagles-wings upborne, to heaven ascend: we shall behold his face, we shall his power adore, and sing the wonders of his grace for evermore.”*

[3] *“There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Righteousness, triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace; on Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains, and, glorious with his saints in light, forever reigns.”*

[4] *“The God who reigns on high the great archangels sing, and “Holy, holy, holy,” cry, “Almighty King! Who was, and is, the same, and evermore shall be: eternal Father, great I AM, we worship thee.”*

[5] *“The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high; “Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost” they ever cry; hail, Abraham’s Lord divine! With heaven our songs we raise; all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.”*

A Penitential Order

The people standing, the Celebrant says:

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures forever.

The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8,9

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

You who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

Minister 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.***

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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.***

Response – ‘First Song of Isaiah’ (Sung twice)

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and He will be my Savior.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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, now and forever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

A Reading from The Book of Genesis, chapter 15 verses 1-12, 17-18

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.”

Reader Here ends the lesson.

Psalm 27

1 The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who
stumbled and fell.

3 Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;

4 And though war should rise up against me, *
yet will I put my trust in him.

5 One thing have I asked of the Lord;
one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

6 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord *
and to seek him in his temple.

7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe
in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.

8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the Lord.

10 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, Lord, will I seek.

12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

14 Though my father and my mother forsake me, *
the Lord will sustain me.

15 Show me your way, O Lord; *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

16 Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, *
for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and also those who speak malice.

17 What if I had not believed
that I should see the goodness of the Lord *
in the land of the living!

18 O tarry and await the Lord's pleasure;
be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; *
wait patiently for the Lord.

A Reading from The Book of Philippians, chapter 3 verses 17-4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn - #498 – Beneath the Cross of Jesus

[1] *“Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand, the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land, a home within a wilderness, a rest upon the way, from the burning of the noontide heat and the burden of the day.”*

[2] *“Upon the cross of Jesus mine eyes at times can see the very dying form of one who suffered there for me; and from my smitten heart with tears two wonders I confess: the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.”*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
People Glory to you, Lord Christ

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.
People Praise to you Lord Christ

[3] *“I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place; I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face; content to let my pride go by, to know no gain nor loss, my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.”*

The Sermon

Reverend Cori Olson

The Nicene Creed

**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 – Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Please remember in your prayers:

*Henrietta, Stefan, Hank, Dominic, Mary, Jason, Jim, Joan, Gary, Ruby,
Sergio, Selvyn & Winnifred, Lester & Ronnie, Susan, Janet, Ronna, Christine, Victoria &
Family, April & Marie, John R., Benjamin, Lenny, Dave, John O., Larry, Toni, Peter, Jose,
Candace, Bill, Andy, Kathi, Linda, Robin, Deacon Pat, Rev. Chris.
Please pray also for our companion Dioceses: Cuba, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Madagascar
& Toliare.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace/Welcome Visitors/Announcements/P.E.A.C.E Team

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

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem – Give Me Jesus setting by Jack Schrader

Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above the heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says:

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 God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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

Celebrant & People – S114

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of

Hosts: heaven and earth are full

of thy glory, Glory be to thee, O

Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel

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.**

The Celebrant continues

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, 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 forever. **Amen**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say {spoken},

*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, forever and ever. Amen*

The Breaking of the Bread – *silence is kept*

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for
us.

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

S158 Agnus Dei

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.*

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn - #191 in LEVAS – His Eye is on the Sparrow

[1] *Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come? Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heav'n and home? When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He.*

[Refrain] *“His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me. His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me. I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free. For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.”*

[2] *“Let not your heart be troubled, His tender word I hear. And resting on His goodness, I lose my doubts and fears. Though by the path He leadeth, but one step I may see.”*

[Refrain]

[3] *“Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise. When songs give place to sighing, when hope with me dies. I draw the closer to Him, from care He sets me free.”*

[Refrain]

Chant: *“In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy. Only in God my soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.”*

Day by Day - #654

“Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.”

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord.**

Amen

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #448 – O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High

[1] *“O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake!”*

[2] *“For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.”*

[3] *“For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his daily works he wrought: by words and signs and actions, thus still seeking not himself, but us.”*

[4] *“For us to wicked hands betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death; for us gave up his dying breath.”*

[5] *“For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.”*

[6] *“All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad; the Trinity whom we adore forever and for evermore.”*

Dismissal

Postlude – Toccata from “Suite Gothique” Leon Boellman

Announcements

****If you need personal prayer, Deacon Bob Sullivan will be available to pray with you near the altar after the service.**

In case of emergency, call Rev. Cori at 561.788.5125.

The **envelopes** in the pews this weekend go towards Easter Flower Donations.

In the Narthex, there are “Join the Journey Through Lent” maps. Please take one! We will also be playing “Lent Madness” during the Lenten Season. Look for the poster in the Parish Hall.

Stations of the Cross every Friday at 8:30a.m. on Facebook Live and 6:00p.m. at the church followed by a soup supper & discussion of the devotion of Mary Oliver and the ‘Poetry of Lent’.

Come early next Sunday, March 23rd (9:45a.m.) for a special extended prelude with Mary Nelson, our fabulous organist, and Neal Cripp, viola.

The funeral for **Gordon Broom** will be on Thursday, March 20th at 1:00p.m.

The funeral for **Anne Ryan** will be on Friday, March 28th at 11:00a.m.

The Choir practices on Thursdays at 7:00p.m.

Please see James or Mary if interested.

The Daughters of the King meets the **first Sunday** of each month following the service. Prayer request cards and the travel-size toiletry donation basket are in the Narthex.

Care Committee: The committee meets the **third Sunday** of the month after coffee hour. If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, visits, or other assistance, we encourage you to contact us by email at care@standrewslwb.org, or by calling either Brian McDonnell at 561.339.0147, or Alison Albury at 315.681.8867 to arrange assistance.

The Way Café is looking for donations for our outdoor food pantry. You can either place items directly in the food pantry, located on N. Palmway, or leave them in the Narthex. Thank you!

Christian Education Opportunities

Bible Study with Deacon Bob on Sundays at 9:00a.m. and with Rev. Cori on Wednesdays immediately following the 10:00a.m. service.

And the Wednesdays at 6:00p.m. via Zoom with Rev. Cori.

We will be studying the Book of Ezekiel.

2025 Pledge Cards are available in the Pews & Narthex.

Mon-Fri: Join Rev. Cori for Morning Prayer at 7:30 a.m. live on Facebook.

