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The Third Sunday in Lent  
March 12, 2023  
10:00 AM

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton  
The Very Rev. Mark Delcuze, Rector  
Dr. Gary Van Essen, Minister of Music  
Jane Ford, Family Ministry Coordinator  
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# The Holy Eucharist and Baptism: Rite Two

## The Word of God

Prelude

“I Am a Poor, Wayfaring Stranger”

arr. Page

Welcome

The Rt. Rev. James J. Shand

+Processional Hymn

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing  
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;  
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar  
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,  
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,  
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -  
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and  
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, shield, thee, feed, be, I, me, thou, will, now, still, ev - er, and, my, er, ev - er - more, strength and give, shield, thee.

### +Opening Sentences

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* **God's mercy endures for ever.**

### +The Decalogue: Contemporary

Hear the commandments of God to his people:  
 I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.  
 You shall have no other gods but me.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Honor your father and your mother.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not steal.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not be a false witness.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences*

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

### **+The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant*        Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day**—Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The First Reading**

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He

called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## **The Psalm**

Psalm 95

*Read responsively by verse*

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 **In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.**
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 **Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**
- 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
- 8 **Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did in the wilderness, \*  
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, when they tempted me.**
- 9 They put me to the test, \*  
though they had seen my works.
- 10 **Forty years long I detested that generation and said, \*  
"This people are wayward in their hearts; they do not know my ways."**
- 11 So I swore in my wrath, \*  
"They shall not enter into my rest."

# The Epistle

Romans 5:1-11

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## +Sequence Hymn

Jesus, Lover of my soul

1 Je - sus, Lov - er of my soul, let me to thy bos - om  
2 O - ther ref - uge have I none, hangs my help - less soul on  
3 Plen-teous grace with thee is found, grace to cleanse from ev - ery

fly, while the near - er wa - ters roll, while the tem - pest  
thee; leave, ah! leave me not a - lone, still sup - port and  
sin; let the heal - ing streams a - bound, make and keep me

still is high: hide me, O my Sa - vior, hide,  
 com - fort me! All my trust on thee is stayed;  
 pure with - in. Thou of life the foun - tain art,

till the storm of life be past; safe in - to the  
 all my help from thee I bring; cov - er my de -  
 free - ly let me take of thee: spring thou up with -

ha - ven guide, O re - ceive my soul at last.  
 fense - less head with the sha - dow of thy wing.  
 in my heart, rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

**+The Holy Gospel**

John 4:5-42

*Please turn and face the Celebrant*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to John

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

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket,

and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?” Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.” Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come back.” The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!” The woman said to him, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.” Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.” Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

+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.

## +The Prayers of the People Form Four

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

### **+Confession of Sin**

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

*A period of silence is kept*

*Leader 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.**

### **+The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory Anthem

“As the Deer”

arr. Larson

*Diana Newcomer & Emily Van Essen, sopranos*

## +Offertory Response



Then grant us, Lord, like them to be, full  
O Fa ther, Son, and Spi - rit blests, to

4  
oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength-en  
thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold

7  
with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

## +The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

*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.

*Here a Proper Preface is said.*

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of  
power and might. Heav - en and earth are  
full of your glo - - - - -  
ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -  
san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high -  
est! Blest is the one who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -  
san - na in the high - est!

*Then the Celebrant continues*

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 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

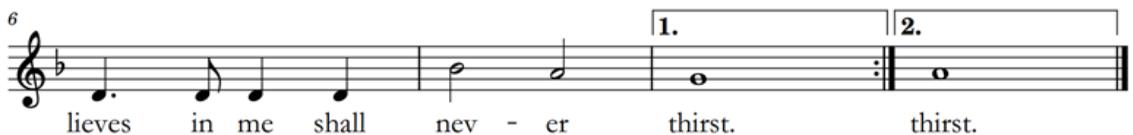
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### +Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

### +Fraction Anthem



*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## **+Post-Communion Prayer**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **+Solemn Prayer over the People**

*The Presider says*

Bow down your hearts before the Lord.

*The Presider says the following prayer:*

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Announcements**

+Recessional Hymn

Surely it is God who saves me



1 Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not  
2 Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing  
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -  
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -  
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.  
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

+Dismissal

*The Celebrant dismisses them with these words*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

+Postlude

“Little Prelude in g minor”

Bach

*We welcome Bishop Bud Shand as our celebrant and preacher today!*

# Mid-Lent Saturday Refreshment Retreat

Gratitude, Compassion and Action

Saturday, March 25

9:30 – 11:30 am

Coffee and Snacks provided.

## **PRAYING GRATITUDE BY THREAD**

All are welcome! No experience needed. Recommended for ages 10 and up. Learn the wonder of praying and creating with yarn or thread. Experienced with crochet or knitting? Bring your project, join our prayers. Want to begin something? Starter supplies will be provided along projects. Questions? – Call Mimi Delcuze 203-470-6685

## **WALKING & TALKING COMPASSION AND QUIET**

Walking the Stations of the Cross and Centering Prayer. We will share insights from our **Living Well Through Lent** Book. All are welcome to share and to listen. What is the Spirit saying to our hearts, souls, bodies, and minds? Ask Fr. Mark if you want to know more.

## **CLEANING UP CREATION**

A variety of outdoor projects around the parish grounds. Clearing debris, removing saplings, and general sprucing up. Bring your yard tools and a willing heart. Contact Tim Aland [gardenclub@ccpki.org](mailto:gardenclub@ccpki.org) for specifics.

**Please pray for:** Pat Miller, Shelia Savage, Donna Roland, Erika Roof, Anneliese Jones, Sharon McCain, Susan Fralic, Sheila Savage, Anna Sisson, Joanne Buck, Lois Woody, Layla, Nina Goldfarb, Gary Ballard (RIP)-Ballard Family, Richard Starsoneck, Jordan Baker (RIP)-Holly & Wheeler Baker & Family, Cheryl & Don, Bill Dingle, Bert Drohter, Toddy Denny (RIP), Liam, Champ, Al Peppel, Barbara Jerome, Jeffrey Thomas, Rose, Julie, Susan F, Richard Thomas, Sofie Amador, Lily & Rainey Family, Ellen Sullivan (RIP), Tim Sullivan (RIP), Wendy Eggl (RIP), Steve Guy, Cathy Donovan, Gillian Ferguson, Warren Henley, Wanda Bullen, Margie, Kathy Vernon, Kevin Scott, Bob Moore, Mark Dillon (RIP), Joyce Snow (RIP)-Family of Joyce, Joan Cammarata (RIP)-Leslie Schneider & Family, Josh Johnson (RIP)-Johnson Family-Jimmy, Sandy & Family, Bishop Frank Griswold (RIP)

Prayer Requests can be sent to [prayer@ccpki.org](mailto:prayer@ccpki.org)

## Easter Memorial Flowers

If you would like to honor the memory of a loved one or give thanksgiving for a special someone in your life with a flower offering for Easter Sunday, please place your order today by filling out this slip and placing it in the offering plate.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

We are collecting the following items in March for

**Haven Ministries Food Pantry:**

Canned Meats-Ham, Tuna, Salmon, etc.

Peanut Butter

Chef Boyardee products

Pancake Mix

Sugar

Flour

Cooking Oil



**Serving 10am**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Keith Fulmer, Juanita Dombkowski

**Lectors:** Lisa Herlihy, Patrick Herlihy

**Ushers:** Leslie Schneider, Bernie Gast

**Acolytes:**

**Altar Guild:** Anne Tyler, Maria Jones, Eileen Shreve, Sally Lewis

**Counters:** Anna Sisson, Judy Peppel

**Greeters:** Caroline Aland, Susie Reckord

**Video Tech:** Dottie Wilson