



The Third Sunday in Lent
Holy Eucharist
11:00am March 23, 2025

Prelude Out of the Depths I Call to Thee O Lord by J.S. Bach

Standing, sung by all

Opening Hymn #518 Christ is made the sure foundation

Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

The Decalogue

God spoke these words and said: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not make any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them, nor worship them.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Honor your father and your mother.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not murder.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not commit adultery.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not steal.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not covet.

Lord have mercy upon us, and write all your laws on our hearts, we pray.

Hymnal S 91 (Kyrie)

Lord have mercy upon us, (3x)

Christ have mercy upon us, (3x)

Lord have mercy upon us, (3x)

Sung by all

The Confession

Kneeling, said by all

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, spare those who confess their faults, restore those who are penitent, according to the promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

The Absolution & Comfortable Words

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Lesson 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Seated

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 63:1-8 *Deus, Deus meus*

1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.
3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.
4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name.
5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches.
7 For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
8 My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast.

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Standing, sung by all

Gradual Hymn #398 vv. 1-2 I sing the almighty power of God

The Gospel Luke 13:1-9

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

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

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sung by all

Gradual Hymn #398 v. 3 I sing the almighty power of God

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Calvin Lane

Seated

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 326; Standing, said by all

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

Standing

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. We pray for the Universal Church, its members, and its mission.

We pray for our Nation and all in authority.

We pray for the welfare of the world, and those regions troubled by violence or unrest, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions, see list on p. 7

We pray for the needs and concerns of our local community.

We pray for all who are in need of healing or comfort, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions, see list on p. 7

We give thanks especially for those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries and other thanksgivings we name at this time...

The People may add their own thanksgivings, see list on p. 7

We remember those who have died in the faith.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you**

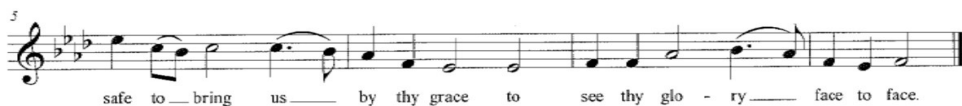
Announcements

The Offering *You may give your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or give online stgeorgesdayton.org or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204.*

Offertory Anthem Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy by K. Bonner

Presentation Hymn

Standing, sung by all



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Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord
People **And of your own have we given to you.**

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues with Preface.... 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:

Hymnal S 114 (Sanctus)

Sung by all

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.

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

At the conclusion, the people join, Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Said by 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.

The Breaking of the Bread, S 158 (Agnus Dei)

Sung by all

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

BCP p. 337, Said by all

We do not presume to come to this your Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Directions for receiving Holy Communion

- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
- If you prefer to drink from the chalice, please remain at the rail after receiving your wafer.
- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer, please hold up your wafer and a lay minister with a small intinction cup will come to you.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please return directly to your pew after receiving your wafer.

Communion Anthem Early Will I Seek Thee by Weelkes

Communion Hymn #685 Rock of Ages

Prayer after Communion

Kneeling, said by all

Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank you for feeding us in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and therefore assuring us of your favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Solemn Prayer of Blessing

Closing Hymn #344 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing *Sung by all*

Dismissal

Deacon gives a dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Fugue in E minor by J.S. Bach

FOR PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers for
Regions

Afghanistan, Congo, China, Haiti, Iran, Myanmar, Nigeria, Russia, Sudan, Syria, Venezuela, and Yemen. For the Israel-Gaza war, and the war in Ukraine. For those affected by flooding in Kentucky, hurricane damage in North Carolina, and fires in California.

The Weekly Messenger

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LENT (Now - April 16)



Join us on Wednesdays during Lent at noon for the Stations of the Cross, You are welcome to bring a packed lunch and stay for fellowship afterwards.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER



Join us tonight at 5pm in the Undercroft for a meal & fellowship. Soups, sides, & desserts welcome! Following supper our Associate Rector, Cal Lane, will give a presentation on his participation at the Ecumenical Consultation in Strasbourg, France.

KAIROS

We are looking for volunteers to pray and help bake cookies for the Kairos Weekend (April 10-13)! Today, after services, we will have more info on Kairos Prison Ministry, prayer slips, and hand out gallon bags with instructions for those who are willing to bake cookies for the Kairos team in the Welcome Lounge. **Cookies will be collected at church on April 6.** For more info please contact Dan Litfin dlitfin@gmail.com 574-377-7494.



VBS VOLUNTEERS Stop by the Welcome Lounge and check out the VBS volunteer board! There are many different ways you can get involved. VBS will be held June 25, 26, 27 from 9am—Noon. Question? Contact Cal: associate@stgeorgeohio.org.

EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES Easter flower memorial envelopes are available to pick up from the pews, the narthex, and Welcome Lounge. Please place in offering plate or turn in to the church office before April 8 for the names to be added to the Easter bulletin.



WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Income \$5,100.00 Weekly Expenses \$19,559.26
Year to Date Income \$168,414.41 Year to Date Expenses \$166,870.03



The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God

And in thanksgiving for the love of our family, friends,
and the St. George's community
by Bob & Beth Crawford

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