



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

MARCH 4, 2012
ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

The Reverend Canon Mary Sulerud, celebrant
The Reverend Canon Jan Naylor Cope, gospeller
The Reverend Canon Sam Van Culin, assistant
The Reverend Dr. Sam Wells, preacher
The Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys

THE ENTRANCE RITE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prière, Op. 20

César Franck (1822-1890)

INTROIT

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake

Richard Farrant (c. 1530-1580)

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk with a perfect heart before thee, now and evermore.

Lidley's Prayers, 1566

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 401

The God of Abraham praise

Sung by all, standing.

Leoni

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

THE DECALOGUE

Hear the commandments of God to his people.

After each commandment is read the people respond,
Amen. Lord, have mercy.

PENITENTIAL SENTENCE

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.

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
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 celebrant offers absolution and the people respond **Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON *Sung by the choir.* William Byrd (1540-1623)
from *Mass for 4 Voices*

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

The presider prays the collect, and the people respond **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the reading and psalm.

THE FIRST READING Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you." God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:22-30 *Sung by the choir* plainsong

Praise the Lord, you that fear him;
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them;
but when they cry to him he hears them.
My praise is of him in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:
"May your heart live for ever!"
All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
For kingship belongs to the Lord;
he rules over the nations.
To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand to sing and remain standing for the Gospel.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 675

Take up your cross, the Savior said

Bourbon

THE GOSPEL

Mark 8:31-38

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Dean Wells

The people stand.

THE NICENE CREED *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

After each intercession,
Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The celebrant prays the concluding collect, and the people respond Amen.

THE PEACE

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

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support the Cathedral's work of sharing God's love with the world.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

When first thine eies

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

When first thine eies unveil, give thy soul leave to do the like; our bodies
but forerun the Spirit's duty; true hearts spread and heave unto their God
as flow'rs do to the sun. Give him thy first thoughts then; so shalt thou
keep his company all day, and in him sleep.

Henry Vaughan

The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.

PRESENTATION HYMN

My God, thy table now is spread

Rockingham

My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
Let not thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the
love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall
thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

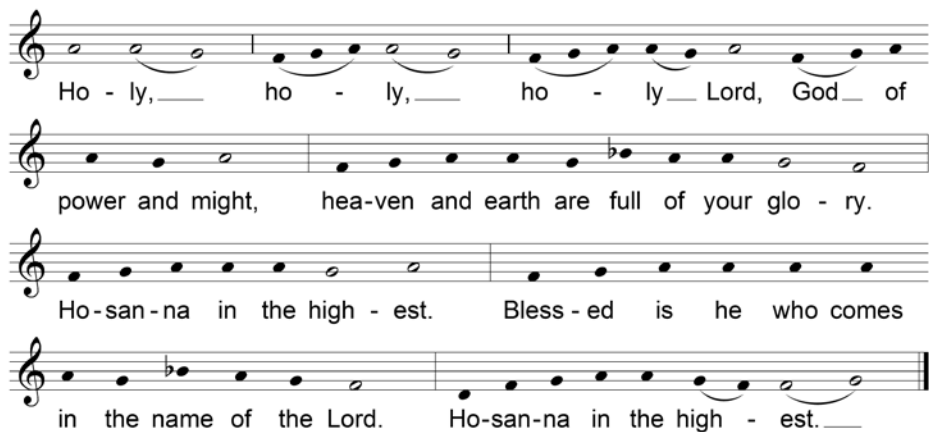
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy

Mass 18



The celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The celebrant concludes with prayers that all may be made whole through the Resurrection and the people respond AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Said by all.*

As we join our prayers with those of the Church Universal, so we say, each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus Christ has taught us,
Notre Pere..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...

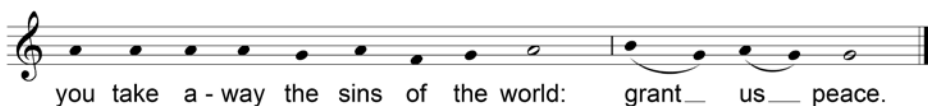
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

AGNUS DEI *Sung by the choir.*

O Lamb of God

Mass 18





INVITATION *The people are seated.*

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you desire to receive prayers for healing, you are invited to proceed to Memorial Chapel after receiving Holy Communion or immediately following the service.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

God so loved the world

John Stainer (1840-1901)

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

John 3:16

The people stand.

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 691

My faith looks up to thee

Olivet

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *Said by all.*

Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole world live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

The celebrant offers a prayer and the people respond **Amen.**

HYMN AT THE CLOSING - 688

Sung by all.

A mighty fortress is our God

Ein feste Burg

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Praeludium et Fuge c-Moll, Op. 37, No. 1

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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