

Washington National Cathedral

The Second Sunday in Lent

The Holy Eucharist

March 16, 2014 • 11:15 am

THE ENTRANCE RITE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Master Tallis's Testament

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

INTROIT

God so loved the world

Robert Chilcott (b. 1955)

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

—*John 3:16*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 401

The God of Abraham praise

Sung by all, standing.

Leoni

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

God's mercy endures for ever.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

O God, in you I trust.

You are the God of my salvation;

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

In you I hope all the day long;

O my God, in you I trust.

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

O my God, in you I trust.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled against him. Let us then renounce our willfulness and ask God's mercy by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.

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.**

TRISAGION

Cantor sings first, then all repeat twice.

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One,
have mer - cy up - on us.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
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, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated for the readings and psalm.

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-4a

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 121

plainchant

I will lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?
My help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved,
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord himself watches over you;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
So that the sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;
it is he who shall keep you safe.
The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth for evermore.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For 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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 603

When Christ was lifted from the earth

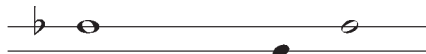
St. Botolph

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

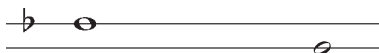


The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ac - cord - ing to John.

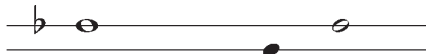


Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."



The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Dean Hall

The people stand.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 presider prays the concluding collect, and the people respond, Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ 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 ministry of sharing God's love with the world.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

He, watching over Israel

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.
Shouldst thou, walking in grief languish, He will quicken thee.

—*Psalm 121:4*

The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 691

My faith looks up to thee

Olivet

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

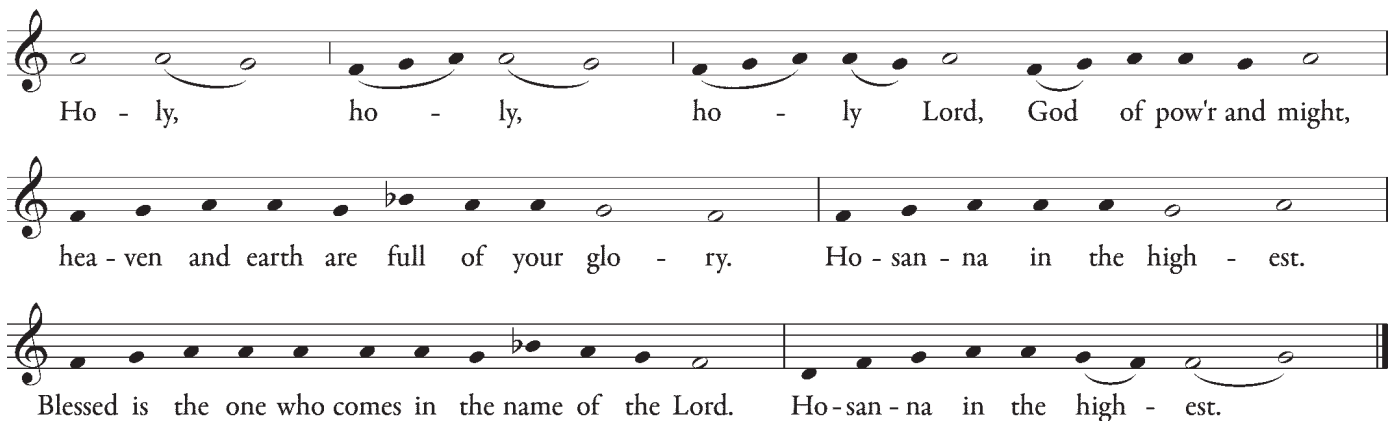
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Gracious God, 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 reign.

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 God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

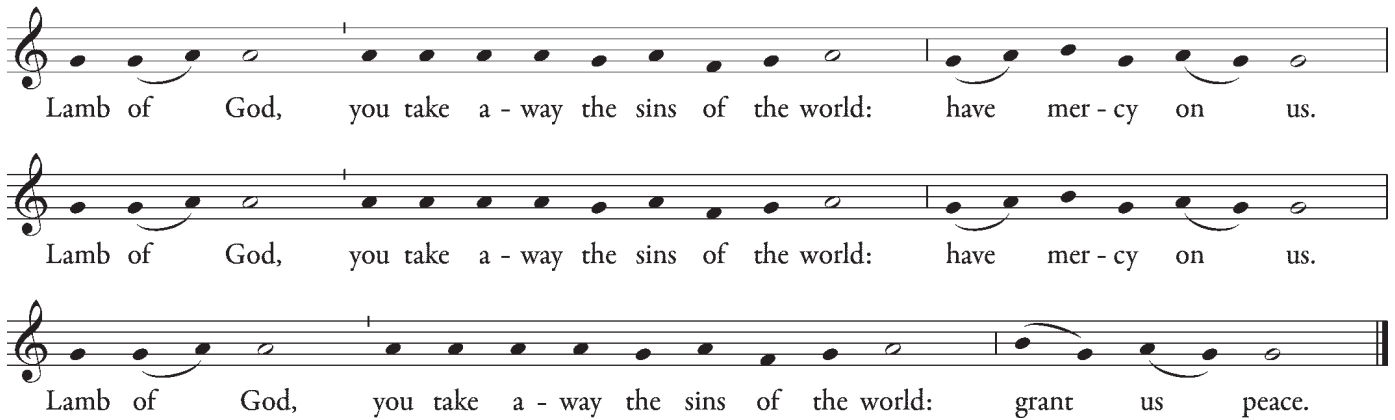
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 Père..., 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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 War Memorial Chapel after receiving Holy Communion.

THE ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

I will lift up mine eyes

Alwyn Surplice (1906-1977)

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills
From whence cometh my help.
My help cometh even from the Lord,
who hath made Heaven and Earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved
And He that keepeth thee will not sleep
Behold, He that keepeth Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord Himself is thy keeper,
The Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand.
So that the sun shall not burn thee by day,
Neither the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil,
Yea, it is even He that shall keep thy soul.
The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in,
From this time forth, for evermore.

—*Psalm 121*

The people stand.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of 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. Amen.

BLESSING

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him: and the blessing of God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you now and forevermore. Amen.

DISMISSAL



CLOSING HYMN 449 *Sung by all.*
O love, how deep, how broad, how high

Deo gracias

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fantasia in C minor, BWV 562

Johann Sebastian Bach (1684-1750)

WORSHIP LEADERS Rev. Canon Gina Gilland Campbell, Rev. Canon Jan Naylor Cope, Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas, The Very Reverend Gary Hall, Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys

FLOWER GIFTS In the mid-nave, the Lenten pedestals of branches are given in loving memory of Mary Ashley Scarborough. *In accordance with the Cathedral practice of bare altars during the Lenten season, all Flower Endowments during Lent will be named in the leaflet and honored at Easter. Gifts for Easter flowers may be sent to the Washington National Cathedral Altar Guild, Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues NW, Washington, DC 20016. To be included in the Easter service leaflet, gifts must be received by March 28.*

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HOLY WEEK & EASTER

at WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday - April 13

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Holy Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Palms • 8 am & 11 am

St. John Passion • 4 pm

The Washington National Cathedral Combined Choirs and Baroque Orchestra perform under conductor Canon Michael McCarthy with soloists Rufus Müller, evangelist; Elizabeth Cragg, soprano; Nicholas Phan, tenor; and Christòphoren Nomura, bass. Tickets available at the door.

Monday, April 14 and Tuesday, April 15

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Choral Evensong • 5:30 pm

Choral Evensong with Cathedral Singers featuring plainsong chant. Canticles and anthems prepare for the intensity of the days to come.

Maundy Thursday - April 17

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Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing • 7:30 pm

Silent Vigil with Reserve Sacrament (St. John's Chapel) • 9-11 pm

Good Friday - April 18

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The Liturgy of Good Friday: The Three Hours Service • Noon

Meditation and prayer during the first, second, and third hours with Holy Communion administered from the reserved Sacrament during the third hour.

When it Was Evening: A Meditation for Good Friday • 6:30 pm

In quiet darkness, the Good Friday evening service includes prayer, scripture, Taizé chant, and meditation. At the conclusion of this service, St. Joseph's Chapel is open for meditation. Healing ministers are available to pray with those who desire prayers for healing of mind, body, or spirit.

Following both services, clergy are available in Resurrection Chapel to offer the rite of reconciliation for those who desire to make a private confession.

Holy Saturday - April 19

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The Great Vigil of Easter • 8 pm

This is the night when Christ broke the bonds of death and rose victorious from the grave. Hear the ancient stories of God's redeeming work, moving from darkness to light, from solemn chant to joyful song, and celebrate the glorious Resurrection. The Very Reverend Gary Hall preaches.

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day - April 20

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Festival Holy Eucharist (passes required) • 8 am & 11 am

The disciples' Easter proclamation, *The Lord is risen indeed*, belongs to all in the celebration of Jesus' victory over death and the grave. The Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde preaches at both services.

Easter Day Choral Evensong • 4 pm

Easter Day Organ Recital • 5:15 pm

Christopher Betts and Benjamin Straley perform, with special guest Chuck Seipp, trumpet



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