

# The Holy Eucharist

The Second Sunday in Lent March 1, 2015 • 11:15 am

Washington National Cathedral

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

#### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Adagio from Symphonie No. 3

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

#### INTROIT

Blessed are the pure in heart

H. Walford Davies (1869-1941)

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode. Still to the lowly soul, he doth himself impart, and for his cradle and his throne chooseth the pure in heart.

—John Keble (1792-1866)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 401

Sung by all, standing.

The God of Abraham praise

Leoni

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Bless the Lord who forgives 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**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation. Amen.

The presider offers absolution and the people respond, Amen.

The cantor sings first, then all repeat twice.



#### THE COLLECT OF 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 people are seated.

# THE WORD OF GOD

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 plainchant

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.

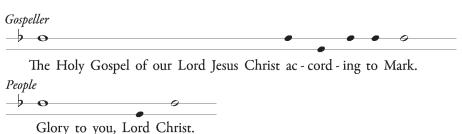
The people stand to sing and remain standing for the Gospel.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE • 675

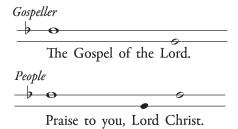
Take up your cross, the Savior said

Bourbon

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38



Jesus began to teach his disciples 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 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 received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing God's love with the world.

#### ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word, rise up and follow thee. Drop thy still dews of quietness, still all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

—John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

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 GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

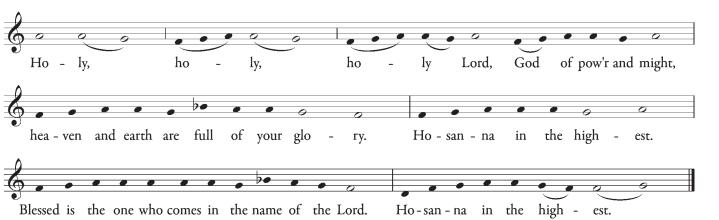
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give 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:

#### SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Mass 18



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 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 God, now and for ever.

AMEN.

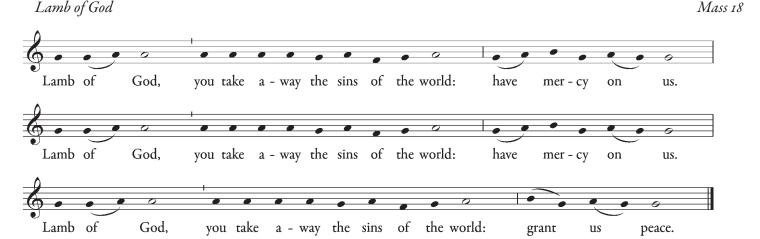
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As we join our prayers with those of the Church Universal, so we say, each in our own language, the prayer of Jesus' heart,

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



### 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.

#### ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

Jesus, so lowly Harold Freidell (1905-1958)

Jesus, so lowly, child of the earth: christen me wholly, bring me new birth. Jesus, so lonely, weary and sad; teach me that only love maketh glad. Jesus, so broken, silent and pale; be this the token love will not fail. Jesus, victorious, mighty and free; teach me how glorious death is to be.

—Edith Williams

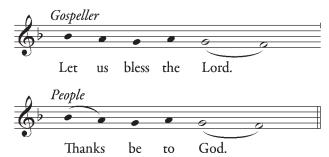
### POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER Said by all, standing.

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**

The presider offers a blessing and the people respond, Amen.

#### **DISMISSAL**



CLOSING HYMN • 636 Sung by all.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Foundation

#### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Allegro Maestoso from Symphonie No. 3

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WORSHIP LEADERS Rev. Canon Gina Gilland Campbell, Rev. Canon Jan Naylor Cope, The Very Reverend Gary Hall, Rev. Vincent P. Harris, The 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 5.

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