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## The Fourth Sunday in Lent March 11, 2018

### The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

#### Gathering Music

*Oh Lord, Hear My Prayer*

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer.  
When I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me. (repeat)

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise;  
All my hope come from God.  
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise:  
God, the well spring of life. (repeat)

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#### Procession to the Altar

*Be Exalted, O God*

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, among the people.  
I will sing praises to Thee among the nations.  
For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the heavens,  
And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.  
Let thy glory be over all the earth.  
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Be exalted O God, above the heavens.  
Let Thy glory, let Thy Glory,

Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

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

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.**

*The glory of these 40 days*  
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.**

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O  
Israel: The Lord our 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 other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

*The Celebrant then says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant 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 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.**

*(8:00 Said three times;*

*10:00 Hymn S 102 Sung three times printed below)*

Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

**S 102** The Holy Eucharist  
Holy God *Trisagion*

Setting: Voz. Hymnal 1902, after Alexander Archangel'sky (1840-1924)

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## A Reading from Numbers (21:4-9)

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

(in unison after the first asterisk)

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
**and his mercy endures for ever.**
- 2 **Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim \* that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.**
- 3 **He gathered them out of the lands; \* from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.**

- 17 **Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; \* they were afflicted because of their sins.**
- 18 **They abhorred all manner of food \* and drew near to death's door.**
- 19 **Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, \* and he delivered them from their distress.**
- 20 **He sent forth his word and healed them \* and saved them from the grave.**
- 21 **Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy \* and the wonders he does for his children.**
- 22 **Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving \* and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.**

### **A Reading from Ephesians** (2:1-10)

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.  
*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual Hymn #439 vss. 1, 2**

*What wondrous love is this*

## **The Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
 According to John (3:14-21)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus, "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. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **Gradual Hymn #439 vs. 3**

*What wondrous love is this*

## **The Sermon**

*Silence for reflection*

### **The Nicene Creed** (Standing, as able.)

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**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, all are created in your image; help us to honor you by loving one another.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You challenge the powers and principalities of the world. We pray for our president, our congress, our courts and all who are in authority.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You sent the prophets of old; inspire your church to prophetically seek justice, peace, and truth.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, you gave to the Apostles the continuation of your ministry; bless all who minister in your church.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You bind us together into One Body. We pray for your Holy Catholic Church; the Anglican Communion, especially the dioceses of Bethlehem - (Ill, The Episcopal Church), Bhopal - (North India), Bida - (Abuja, Nigeria), Birmingham - (Canterbury, England), Birmingham - Aston - (Canterbury, England), Blackburn - (York, England), Blackburn - Burnley - (York, England), Blackburn - Lancaster - (York, England), Bo (Sierra Leone) - (West Africa, West Africa), Boga - (Congo), and The Church of England; The Episcopal Church; our diocese, especially St. Margaret's, Bellevue; St.

Michael and All Angels, Issaquah; and St. John's, Kirkland; and our parish.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You called each of us to take up the cross; deepen our faith and strengthen our resolve to follow in your steps as we pray this week for our fellow parishioners Tom & Margy McDonald; Maria & John McKanzie; and Kathleen Monahan.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You forgave the thief on the cross; bring us all to penitence and reconciliation.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You were rich yet for our sake you became poor; move us to share generously.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You lived as an exile in Egypt; protect and comfort all who are alone, isolated, fearful, or victimized.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You come in our midst as the Prince of Peace. We pray for peace and an end of violence, hatred, and terrorism in every heart and every land. We pray for our armed forces and those who are deployed especially for those we now name....  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You healed by your touch and word; bless all through whom your healing gifts are given and bless all of those on our prayer list, and those in our hearts, praying especially for Lyn, Areewa, Brenda, Marisa, Sandy, Justin, Patricia, Paulette, Ann, Erica, Allen, George, Scott, Eric, Amanda, Khny, Sjon, Nick, Pete, Rico, Elsie, Tim, and Brad and for those we now name....  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you for all the blessings of this life especially those we now name...  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Spirit, you touched the lives of innumerable saints; embrace the faithful departed, especially and those we now name...  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom in our Lenten fast. Mercifully grant that we your

servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his rising from the tomb; all this we ask through Jesus Christ our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

## Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Celebrations and Healing Prayers

### Offertory Hymn # 648

*When Israel was in Egypt's land*

*Our Sunday loose cash offerings now go to our Local Outreach/Discretionary Fund, which directly serves families and individuals in need within our community. Your generosity makes saying "yes" to those who need help the most possible.*

## The Great Thanksgiving – D

[Please see Book of Common Prayer, pg. 372]

*The Celebrant faces the people and says*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks...

*Celebrant and People*

## Sanctus S 130

*Deutsche Messe*

*(Said at 8:00; sung at 10:00)*

*(Printed on the Purple Pew Sheet)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power....  
...we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy...

...through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

**Lord's Prayer** *said at 8 am & sung at 10 am*  
*(Printed on the Purple Pew Sheet)*

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

**Our father in heaven  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are encouraged to speak with the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body. Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail.*

## Communion Music

### Let All That is Within Me

1. Let all that is within me, cry, "Holy!"  
Let all that is within me, cry, "Holy!"  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb that was slain.
2. Let all that is within me cry, "Worthy!"  
Let all that is within me cry, "Worthy!"  
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb that was slain.
3. Let all that is within me cry, "Jesus!"  
Let all that is within me cry, "Jesus!"  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lamb that was slain.
4. Let all that is within me cry, "Glory!"  
Let all that is within me cry, "Glory!"  
Glory, glory, glory to the Lamb that was slain.

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### Lord, be glorified

In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified!  
In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified!  
In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

In my home Lord, be glorified, be glorified!  
In my home Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

In my words Lord, be glorified, be glorified!  
In my words Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

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### **COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*Celebrant:* In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*Celebrant and People:* **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* 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.**

## The Solemn Prayer over the People

*Celebrant*

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your word and sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Procession to the Neighborhood

### Hymn #473

*Lift high the cross*

## St. Matthew Mission Statement

*St. Matthew Church:* **To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.**

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