

February 25, 2024 - Morning Prayer Rite II 2nd Sunday in Lent St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Lebanon, OR Carolyn Brown, Officiant

Prelude Ray Hendricks

Opening Hymn #401 "The God of Abraham Praise"

Greeting / Welcome Officiant

Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. - Joel 2:13

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. **People**

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.

Psalm 95:1-7 Come Let Us Sing

Venite (Let us say together)

Officiant

Come, let us sing to the Lord: *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee. *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Collect for Today (*We will say together*)

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.

Confession of Sin Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.* Officiant and People together

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.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Trisagion (Sing together)

"Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us" (3x)

Psalm 22:22-30 *Deus, Deus meus* (Sing together, using the modified Anglican chant) Lector

²² Praise the Lord, you that <u>fear him;</u> * stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give <u>glory</u>.

²³ For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face <u>from them;</u> *

but when they cry to him he hears them.

²⁴ My praise is of him in the great as<u>sembly;</u> *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

- ²⁵ The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall <u>praise him</u>: * "May your heart live for <u>ever!</u>"
- ²⁶ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the <u>Lord</u>, * and all the families of the nations shall bow be<u>fore him</u>.
- ²⁷ For kingship belongs to the <u>Lord</u>; * he rules over the nations.
- ²⁸ To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; * all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- ²⁹ My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall <u>serve him;</u> * they shall be known as the Lord's for <u>ever</u>.
- ³⁰ They shall come and make known to a people yet un<u>born</u> * the saving deeds that he has <u>done</u>.

Gospel Hymn # 635 "If Tho

"If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee"

A Reading from The Gospel of Mark 8:31-38

Deacon

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 Gospel of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Reflection: Carolyn Brown

The Apostles' Creed (let us say together)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Peace Officiant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Leaders and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

As our Savior has taught us, we now pray:

The Lord's Prayer

(let us sing together)

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.

And 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. Amen.

Suffrages A Officiant

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.

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- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit

Prayers of the People (A special Form for Lent)

PotP Reader

Reader: In this holy season of Lent, we are called to a journey of self-examination and true repentance. Let us offer to God the yearnings of our own hearts, as well the needs of the Church and the world.

We pray for the Church throughout the world, especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Diana, our Bishop; and for leaders of local churches everywhere. We lift our eyes to you, O God.

All: In you is our help and strength.

Reader: We pray for our nation and for those entrusted with making decisions for the well-being of all. We lift our eyes to you, O God.

All: In you is our help and strength.

Reader: We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live where wars are raging, and those without a place to lay their head. We lift our eyes to you, O God.

All: In you is our help and strength.

Reader: We pray for those who are ill (pause for remembrances, either silently or aloud), those in pain, those under stress, those who are lonely, and those whose earthly journey is coming to an end. We lift our eyes to you, O God.

All: In you is our help and strength.

Reader: We pray for those who have died (pause for remembrances, either silently or aloud), confident that your eternal light and abiding peace await all those who know and love you. We lift our eyes to you, O God.

All: In you is our help and strength.

Reader: We pray for St. Martin's parish family, that in this season of Lent, our lives may be focused on deepening our relationship with Christ, who came not to be served but to serve. We lift our eyes to you, O God.

All: In you is our help and strength.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Officiant

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for you saved us from the flood and brought us through the wilderness. Hear our prayers for all peoples. Receive sons and daughters into your family, wash them in the waters of new life, and feed them with your bread and wine. Glory to you for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving (let us say together)

Officiant

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your

immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom (let us say together)

Officiant

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Birthdays, Anniversaries

Officiant

Prayer Requests and Travelling Mercies

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn #707

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Dismissal Deacon

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Ray Hendricks

