

March 7, 2021 at 10 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II
The Third Sunday in Lent

Welcome to Christ Church

*Thank you for joining us on [Facebook Live](#) or our [website](#)
as we continue our Lenten journey.*

This service bulletin is the only document you'll need to participate in this morning's liturgy. Even though we are at home, turn up the volume on your device and try on singing and praying out loud with gusto, even if it feels odd. It may feel more like Church!



Loving God and neighbor, as Jesus teaches

Prelude

Op. 74, Maestoso sostenuto
Bruce Goody, flute and Jonathan Moretz, guitar

Mauro Giuliani (1781-1829)

Following the prelude, we observe several moments of silence to help us enter more deeply into prayer. As the mothers and fathers of the early Church put it, "God's first language is silence."

Hymn 372 st. 1, 3, 4

Praise to the living God!

Tune: Leoni

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
 2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
 3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
 4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
 ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
 in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
 his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
 Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
 Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
 and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926)
 Music: Leoni, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

Introduction

A Penitential Order: Rite II

Book of Common Prayer, p. 351

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Please kneel, if it makes sense in your context.

The Decalogue: Contemporary

Celebrant Hear the commandments of God to God's people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit murder.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

People Amen. Lord have mercy..

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not be a false witness.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant 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."

Confession of Sin

Enriching Our Worship, p. 56

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

We observe a moment of silence.

All God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

Kyrie S-91

Lord, have mercy upon us

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty God, you know that we have no power in 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, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Welcome

First Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Lector The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

At the end of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

Psalter for the Christian People, pp. 30-31

The Psalm is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk ().*

The heavens declare the glory of God, *

and the firmament shows forth the work of God’s hands.

One day tells its tale to another, *

and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, *

and their voices are not heard,

Their sound has gone out into all lands, *

and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep has God set a pavilion for the sun; *

it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; *

nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.
The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
Can people tell how often they offend? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.
Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

Hymn

O Jesus, you were born to be

Tune: *Truro*

Sung to “Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates”

Carolyn Gillette

1. O Jesus, you were born to be God’s gift to save humanity; And one great day we’re moving toward, All life will bow and call you Lord!	2. You are Messiah, you are Christ, Anointed One, God’s sacrifice. In you, God’s mercy is revealed: We’re saved from sin, forgiven, healed.
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Hymn Notes

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette is a Presbyterian pastor who writes hymns that speak to today’s issues, whether they be social concerns, Covid-19, or every-day living and how faith speaks to worldwide events. She writes new words to old hymn tunes, making them accessible to all. Many thanks to Pastor Gillette for allowing us to sing, print and broadcast two verses of “O Jesus, you were born to be” during the weeks in Lent. To learn more about Carolyn Gillette and her ministry through hymns, visit her [website](#).

The Gospel

John 2:13-22

[Read a note](#) on the Gospel for John.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!” His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three

days.” But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

At the conclusion of the Gospel reading.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Nick Morris-Kliment

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon.

The Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer, p. 358

Please stand as comfortable, and able.

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.

Prayers of the People

adapted from *Times and Season*, Church of England

Intercessor Let us pray to the Lord, who is our refuge and stronghold. For all who are affected by coronavirus, through unemployment, illness, isolation or anxiety, that they may find relief and recovery: Lord, hear us,

People Lord, graciously hear us.

Intercessor For those who are guiding our nation at this time, and shaping national policies, that they may make wise decisions: Lord, hear us,

People Lord, graciously hear us.

Intercessor For doctors, nurses and medical researchers, that through their skill and insights many will be restored to health: Lord, hear us,

People Lord, graciously hear us.

Intercessor For essential workers of all kinds, whose risks hold fast the cords of our communities, that their work may be justly compensated and truly appreciated; Lord, hear us,

People Lord, graciously hear us.

Intercessor For the vulnerable and the fearful, for the gravely ill and the dying, that they may know your comfort and peace: Lord, hear us,

People Lord, graciously hear us.

Intercessor We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, including Henry Lysaght, in whose memory the altar flowers are giving today, to the mercy and protection of God. Merciful Father,

People accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

This week's announcements can be found [here](#). To receive our announcements in your inbox, please [click here](#).

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offering of the Gifts of Bread and Wine

Offertory Music

Julia Florida
Bruce Goody, flute and Jonathan Moretz, guitar
Augustin Barrios Mangore (1885-1944)

Your faithful giving supports our mission and serves Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves. To give online [click here](#) and select giving fund "loose plate" or text "CCN123" to 73256.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer A

Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

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.

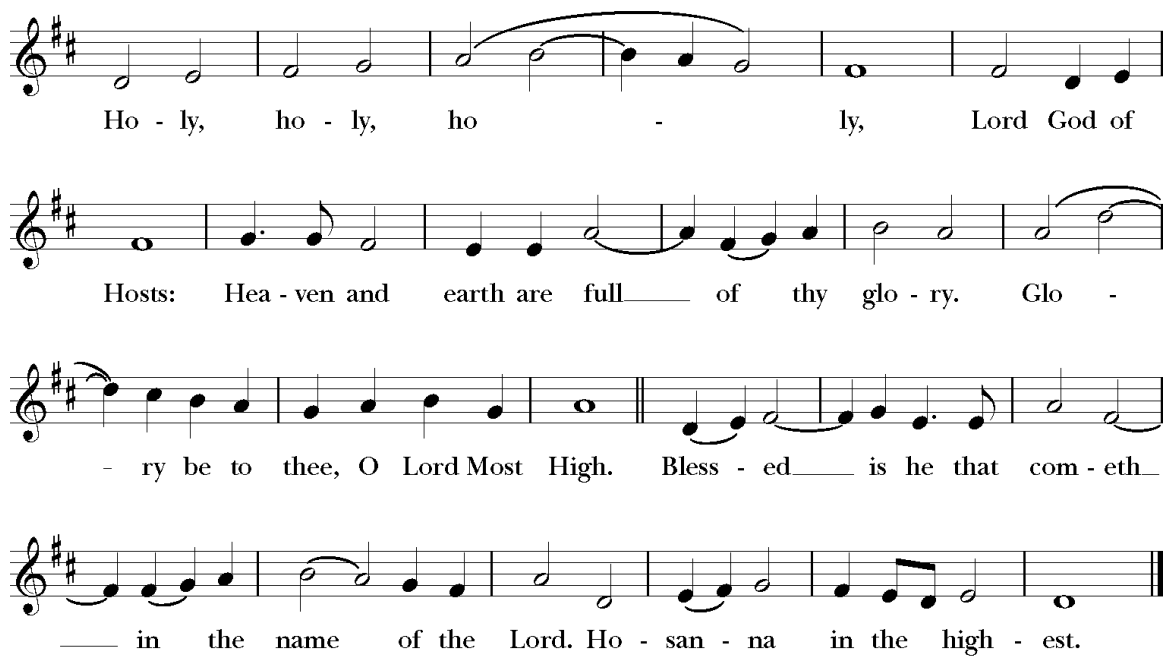
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus 114

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

All



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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 Father, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All

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.

Fraction Anthem

All Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and lives for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

Through Lent, we are offering “In ‘n’ Out” Eucharist, allowing a swift trip inside the Church. Come between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to the Rosemary Street entrance, sign in, and follow the blue arrows “in ‘n’ out” of the Main Sanctuary. [Register here](#).

Post-communion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer, p. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lenten Prayer over the People

Celebrant Grant, Almighty God, that we your people may recognize our weakness and put our whole trust in your strength, so that we may rejoice forever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 143

The glories of these forty days

Tune: *Erhalt uns, Herr*



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -
4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full
*5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all
2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,
3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's
4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en
5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.
5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

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Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*; melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

During Lent, we refrain from saying "Alleluia."

Postlude

Chorale Prelude on "The glory of these forty days"

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Prayers of the People

This week in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo. Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Amy, Dean of our Cathedral; Carol, our Regional Canon; and Nick, our priest. Also, our companion parish at St. Luc's, Lazil, Haiti and our siblings at the MANNA Community in Boston.

This week in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray the Parishes of the Cape & Islands Deanery: Church of St. Mary of the Harbor, Provincetown; St. John's Church, Sandwich; St. David's Church, South Yarmouth; Grace Church, Vineyard Haven; and Ministries with the Aging.

In the Needham Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the St. John Damascus Orthodox Christian Church and Bahá'í Community.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:
Henry J. Lysaght from the Lysaght Family

Your prayers are requested for David, Barbara B., Margaret B. & Family, Leo, Sommer, Meghan, Anita, Linda F., Sarah, Gail, Thomas, and Sharon. And prayer for all serving our country – especially, remembering Tom Z., Emmy, Jack, Sean, Ian, Colin, Tim and Andrew.

Lent at Christ Church Needham

Compline in Commemoration of Bishop Barbara C. Harris

Celebrate the life and ministry of the Rt. Rev. Barbara C. Harris on Friday, March 12 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. Please [email](#) us for the bulletin and Zoom link.

"In 'n' Out" Eucharist through Lent

"In 'n' Out" Eucharist happens each Sunday through Lent between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Come in the Rosemary Street entrance, sign in, and follow the blue arrows "in 'n' out" of the Church. Curbside Eucharist is also available. [Register here](#).

Wednesdays in Lent on Zoom

Join us Wednesday in Lent on Zoom for Morning Prayer Rite I at 8:30 a.m. and Night Prayers at 8:30 p.m. Please [email](#) us for the links.

Thank you to those who assisted in the service today!

Pamela Goody, Director of Music
Charles Raines, Organist
Bruce Goody, Flutist
Jonathan Moretz, Guitarist

Annie Russell, Lector
Tim Lysaght, Broadcast Verger

And others to be named on air!

To assist during worship, please email the office (office@ccneedham.org) or sign up [here](#).

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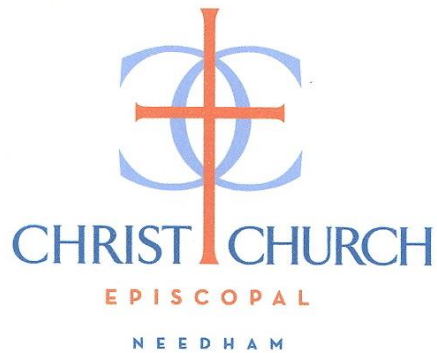
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