

THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER
PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
(LENT 1, YEAR A)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST
10:00 AM, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH

The Parish of Christ the Redeemer (known as Christ Church) is the Episcopal Church in Pelham, New York. The Episcopal Church is part of the Anglican Communion which is made up of 85 million people in over 165 countries and is the third largest Christian denomination in the world. Christ Church was founded in 1843 and is the first house of worship in Pelham. This building was consecrated on September 15, 1843, the original church building was expanded in 1910, and the sanctuary was reconstructed in 1968 to allow for the current, more intimate worship space. Our congregation draws primarily from Pelham, New Rochelle, Mount Vernon, and the Bronx, and includes people from diverse denominational and cultural backgrounds.

ABOUT LENT

Lent is the season when the Church prepares to celebrate Holy Baptism at the *Easter Triduum*. During Lent the Church invites her members to participate in the works of the Spirit that will help bring to faith those who are preparing to die and to rise in Christ. For those who are already baptized, prayer, penance and active works of mercy are the ordinary means by which the Christian community helps its members prepare for the *Triduum*. According to the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, Jesus Christ spent 40 days fasting in the desert, where he endured temptation by Satan. Lent may have originated as a mirroring of this, fasting 40 days as preparation for Easter. Every Sunday (including each Sunday in Lent) is observed as a Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, commemorating his resurrection, and thus every Sunday is considered a feast day on which fasting is inappropriate. Christians are called by the Church to observe the ordinary weekdays of Lent by special acts of discipline and self-denial in commemoration of the crucifixion of the Lord. In addition, the ordinary Fridays of Lent are traditionally days of abstinence from flesh meats. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are traditionally days of strict fasting and abstinence.

Throughout Lent our service begins with a Penitential Rite. On the First Sunday in Lent the Great Litany is offered as the Penitential Rite. On the other Sundays in Lent the Penitential Rite is the Confession and Decalogue.



CHILDREN, NURSERY CARE, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children of all ages are always welcome in church. Childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10:00 AM Eucharist. Sunday School is offered during the academic year. Sunday School children join the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion. Scan the QR code to register for Sunday School.



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SUPPORT CHRIST CHURCH: HOW TO GIVE

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2026 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: PLEDGE TODAY

Our pledge goal this year is \$550,000 which accounts for cost increases. We want every parishioner to pledge. Your continued support ensures we have excellent clergy and staff, keeps our buildings beautiful and safe, and funds our programs and ministries.

ORGAN PRELUDE

The prelude is offered before worship as a form of prayer. Once the prelude begins, please refrain from conversation in the church or outside the Sacristy.

Christie, aller Welt Trost BWV 670

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

THE GREAT LITANY: HYMNAL S-67

All stand as the minister enter in silence, then the Celebrant leads the Great Litany, and the People sing the responses along with the Choir during the extended procession.

Officiant  *People* 

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant 

Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

People 

preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

Officiant

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the

devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,

People

Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

Officiant

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from
envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity,

People

Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

Officiant

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the
world, the flesh, and the devil,

People

Good Lord, deliver us.

Officiant

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and
contempt of thy Word and commandment,

People

Good Lord, deliver us.

Officiant

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from
plague, pestilence, and famine,

People

Good Lord, deliver us.

Officiant

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and
murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

People

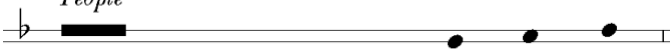
Good Lord, deliver us.

Officiant By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
People **Good Lord, deliver us.**

Officiant By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost,
People **Good Lord, deliver us.**

Officiant In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,
People **Good Lord, deliver us.**

Officiant We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,

People

People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Officiant That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show it accordingly,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind into thy kingdom,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom upon all peoples
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all may enjoy them,
People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the common good,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or torn by strife,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing and infirm,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers,
and to turn their hearts,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help
the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan
under our feet,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and
peace,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

Officiant That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of all the saints, we
may attain to thy heavenly kingdom,

People **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

The clergy and choir members process to their places.



Officiant Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

People Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.

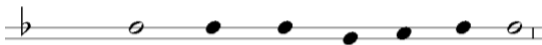
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.



O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.



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

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

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

COLLECT OF THE DAY

All remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 2:15-17; 3:1-7

All are seated.

Reader A Reading from Genesis.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.” Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God,

knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: PSALM 32

Beati quorum

All remain seated while the choir sings the psalm to an Anglican Chant by Bryan Hesford.

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."
Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

THE SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 5:12-19

All are seated.

Reader

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN (#142)

All stand and sing the hymn.

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con-tend, and didst the vic-tory win,
3 As thou didst hun-ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra-cious Lord,
4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas-sion - tide,
5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con-quer sin.
3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838–1898)
Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820–1901)
Meter: CM

THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:1-11

All remain standing for the Gospel.

Deacon ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Deacon Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does

not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.” Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

All are seated for the sermon by the Rev. Andrew Craig Mead, Rector Emeritus of Saint Thomas Church, New York City, and Father of our Rector.

NICENE CREED

All stand and join in saying the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant

We believe in one God,

All

**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 PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

WELCOME & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

All are seated. The announcements conclude with the offertory sentence.



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HOLY COMMUNION IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All baptized persons, including children, are full members of the Body of Christ and are invited to participate in every aspect of the service and receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are also invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing and not Holy Communion).

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

During the anthem the gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken.

O Saviour of the World

John Goss 1800-1880

O Saviour of the world, Who by thy Cross and precious Blood hath redeemed us,
Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee O Lord. Amen.

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar and blessed during an organ improvisation.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All remain standing. The chanted parts may be said at the discretion of the Priest Celebrant.

The musical notation is presented in a call-and-response format between a Celebrant and the People. Each part consists of a vocal line with lyrics underneath. The notation uses a single staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are as follows:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And al - so 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.

The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface assigned for the day.

Celebrant

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:

All sing "Holy, holy, holy" (#S 114)

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.

Music:

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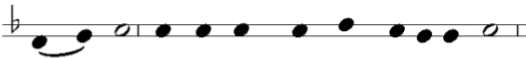
The people stand or kneel.


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.”

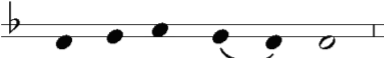
Celebrant  There-fore we proclaim the myst-er-y of faith:

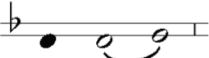
People  Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a-gain.

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,

Celebrant  now and for ev - er.

People  A - MEN.

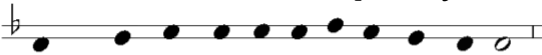
Celebrant
All

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

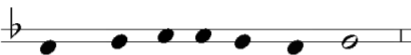
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is observed.

Celebrant



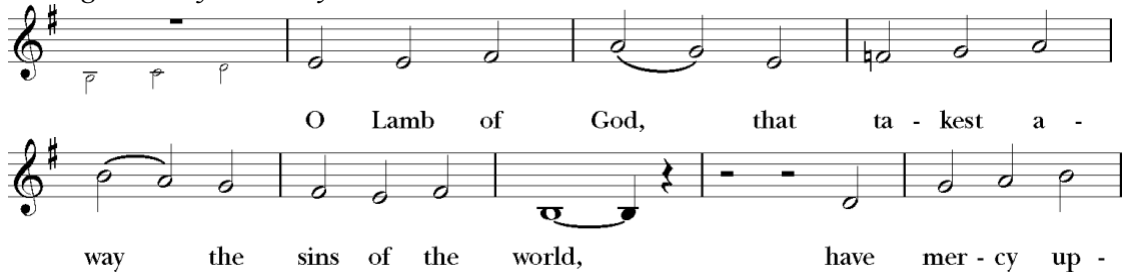
Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us;

People



There-fore let us keep the feast.

All sing "Lamb of God" (Hymn #S 158)



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have

mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, grant us thy peace.

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INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion. All baptized persons, including children, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing).

COMMUNION ANTHEM

During the ministration of Holy Communion, the choir sings an anthem.

Ave Verum

William Byrd 1543-1623

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine:
vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine:
cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine.
O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie, O Jesu Fili Mariae. Miserere mei. Amen.

*Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed
on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced flank
flowed water and blood: Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death.
O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary. Have mercy on me. Amen.*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All kneel as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty and ever living 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.

POST COMMUNION HYMN (#150)

All stand and sing the hymn.

1 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;
 2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,
 3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!
 4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;
 5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
 2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?
 3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!
 4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.
 5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

Words: George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870), alt.

Music: *Aus der Tiefe rufe ich (Heinlein)*, melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

SOLEMN PRAYER & DISMISSAL

All remain standing.

Celebrant Let us bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

*Silence is observed. The celebrant then offers either the Solemn Prayer assigned for this day in Lent or a Blessing, after which the people respond, **Amen.***

Deacon Let us the bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PROCESSIONAL VOLUNTARY

All remain standing as the altar party processes from the Sanctuary during the Postlude. Once the altar party has departed, please be seated and be courteous to those who are listening to the music by remaining quiet.

Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist BWV 671

Bach

Dr. J's Music Notes

Lent is a 40-day period of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving that leads up to Easter. It's a time of preparation and reflection as we await the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The name "Lent" is from the Middle English "Lencten," meaning spring; its more primitive ecclesiastical name was the "forty days," "quadragesima" in Latin or "tessaracoste" in Greek. Lenten music is often somber and reflective as a result. Interestingly, in music lent (French) or lento (Italian) means slow, deliberate and thoughtful.



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Worship Schedule

Every Sunday at 8am & 10am: Holy Eucharist

Sundays as announced at 5pm: Holy Eucharist or Evensong

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