



***Welcome to Christ Church***  
*March 15, 2015*  
***Fourth Sunday in Lent (Year B)***



**8 a.m. Service** is found on page 323 of Prayer Book (Gold Cross on cover); **10:15 Service** is in the leaflet. **Hymns** are in the larger blue books. **Intercession fil-in list** is on the stand; **Welcome materials** are on back table. 10:15 service participants: Lector: C. Sloat Chalicists & Acolytes: C. Sloat, S. Bridgman Altar Guild: P. Phillips, J. Busse Usher: R. Wishart, C. Lounsbury Coffee Hour: Ray & Laura, Blue Team

**10:15 a.m. Family Eucharist, Rite II (Readings for other services)**

Prelude

**473 Opening Hymn**

*from Common Worship: Ch. of Eng.*

Celebrant: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
 People: **O my God, in you I trust.**  
 Celebrant: You are the God of my salvation;  
 People: **To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**  
 Celebrant: In you I hope all the day long.  
 People: **O my God, in you I trust.**  
 Celebrant: Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,  
 People: **For they are from everlasting.**  
 Celebrant: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
 People: **O my God, in you I trust.**

**WLP 840 Kyrie** (sung responsively together) *Leader: Kyrie All: Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.*

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*Celebrant:* God 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 (Lesson) from the Book of Numbers 21:4-9***

From Mount Hor they 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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures for ever.

**Psalm 107:2-3,25-26,28-29**

- 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.* [antiphon]
- 25 Then he spoke, and a stormy wind arose, \* *which tossed high the waves of the sea.*
- 26 They mounted up to the heavens and fell back to the depths, \*  
*their hearts melted because of their peril.* [antiphon]
- 28 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, \*  
*and he delivered them from their distress.*
- 29 He stilled the storm to a whisper, \* *and quieted the waves of the sea.* [antiphon]

**A Reading (Lesson) from Paul's Letter to the 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. But 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:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**339 Gradual Hymn** (verses 1 & 2 before Gospel, 3 after Gospel) *(please all stand)*

**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John 3:14-21** *(Glory to you, Lord Christ)*

Jesus said, "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

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**Message** Fr. Dave *(all may be seated)*

**The Nicene Creed** – *(standing as possible)* 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 Form IV** (kneeling or standing)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *We pray for those in the Armed Forces but especially for: Angela, Dan, Jeff, Ken, Tom, Doug, Joel, Jed, Micah, Bill, Colin, Tim and Jay (and any others written in)*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *For those celebrating birthdays... Rev. Dave Carter, Laura Curley, Lora Erskine, Alexander Crawford, Linda Goodwin, Jane Hale, Nathaniel Heath (and names from the sheet)... and for those celebrating anniversaries... (and names from the intercession sheet)*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *But especially for... (any on our list)*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *And especially... (any on our list)*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

**Celebrant:** Lord, hear the prayers of *thy* people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Celebrant:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** **And also with you**

**Offertory Anthem** (the ushers pass the collection plates)

**380 Offertory Presentation Hymn** (verse 3 only) *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

## The Holy Eucharist: Prayer A *(all standing as are able)*

- S120**      *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 continues.....* 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. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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:

**S130**      *Together.....* **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.**

*Celebrant continues...* 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'. 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 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. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, **Our Father, who art in heaven, ...**  
**S164**      **Jesus, lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.**

**517**      **Children's Entrance Hymn**

*Celebrant:*      The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Hymns during Communion** (617, WLP812) *(all baptized are invited to communion)*

**Thanksgiving Prayer after Communion**

*Celebrant:*      Let us pray together

*Celebrant and People:* God of our pilgrimage, you have fed us with the bread of heaven.

Refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Blessing** (followed by the choral Amen) **& Announcements**

**691**      **Recessional Hymn**

**Postlude**