

THE LORD IS GRACIOUS & COMPASSIONATE



SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 2021



Welcome to Church of the Savior

If You are Visiting: We'd love to meet you, even if only virtually! Please email Fr. Kevin at kevin@friendsofthesavior.org to introduce yourself and learn more about Church of the Savior.

About our Worship: We use an Anglican liturgy. Liturgy simply means that everyone gets to participate, so please join in as you feel comfortable. You can't make a mistake.

Children & Youth: While services are livestreamed, children and youth are strongly invited to join in alongside everyone else. For additional ideas to engage children, see Savior's family newsletter or contact Sarah Lindsay at sarah@friendsofthesavior.org. We also invite children to call Pastor Mary; email Mary at mary@friendsofthesavior.org to set up a time. Youth are meeting virtually; contact Fr. Andrew Unger at andrewdunger@gmail.com for details.

The Collect for this Fourth Week in Lent names Jesus as the "true bread which gives life to the world." At this point in our Lenten fasting we have certainly experienced longing: for the things from which we are fasting and also for the things we have given up in order to reduce and delay the spread of coronavirus. In this longing, let us remember that Jesus is the bread that satisfies and let us pray, in the words of the collect, that he may live in us and we in him.

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THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE & WELCOME

During Lent, please take a few moments of silence to prepare for worship.

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. All: His mercy endures forever Celebrant: Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of Egypt. You must not have any other gods but me.

- All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: You must not make for yourselves any idols. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: You must not use the name of the Lord your God thoughtlessly. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: Keep the Sabbath as a holy day, to rest and remember the gifts of creation.
 - All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: Honor your father and your mother. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: You must not kill. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: You must not be guilty of adultery. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: You must not steal. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: You must not lie. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: You must not want what others have. All: Amen. Lord have mercy.
- Celebrant: If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. But if we confess our sins to God, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please sit or kneel for a time of silence.

- All: 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.
- Celebrant: 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.

Trisagion



Celebrant: The Lord be with you. All: 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.

Please be seated.

THE LESSON

NUMBERS 21:4-9

⁴ Then the people of Israel set out from Mount Hor, taking the road to the Red Sea to go around the land of Edom. But the people grew impatient with the long journey, ⁵ and they began to speak against God and Moses. "Why have you brought us out of Egypt to die here in the wilderness?" they complained. "There is nothing to eat here and nothing to drink. And we hate this horrible manna!"

⁶ So the Lord sent poisonous snakes among the people, and many were bitten and died. ⁷ Then the people came to Moses and cried out, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you. Pray that the Lord will take away the snakes." So Moses prayed for the people.

⁸ Then the Lord told him, "Make a replica of a poisonous snake and attach it to a pole. All who are bitten will live if they simply look at it!" ⁹So Moses made a snake out of bronze and attached it to a pole. Then anyone who was bitten by a snake could look at the bronze snake and be healed!

Reader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. ¹Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures for ever. ²Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe. ³He 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. ²⁰He sent forth his word and healed them and saved them from the grave. ²¹Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy and the wonders he does for his children. ²²Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁷⁻⁸ "So don't be so surprised when I tell you that you have to be 'born from above'—out of this world, so to speak. You know well enough how the wind blows this way and that. You hear it rustling through the trees, but you have no idea where it comes from or where it's headed next. That's the way it is with everyone 'born from above' by the wind of God, the Spirit of God."

¹³⁻¹⁵ "No one has ever gone up into the presence of God except the One who came down from that Presence, the Son of Man. In the same way that Moses lifted the serpent in the desert so people could have something to see and then believe, it is necessary for the Son of Man to be lifted up—and everyone who looks up to him, trusting and expectant, will gain a real life, eternal life.

¹⁶⁻¹⁸ "This is how much God loved the world: He gave his Son, his one and only Son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life. God didn't go to all the trouble of sending his Son merely to point an accusing finger, telling the world how bad it was. He came to help, to put the world right again. Anyone who trusts in him is acquitted; anyone who refuses to trust him has long since been under the death sentence without knowing it. And why? Because of that person's failure to believe in the one-of-a-kind Son of God when introduced to him.

¹⁹⁻²¹ "This is the crisis we're in: God-light streamed into the world, but men and women everywhere ran for the darkness. They went for the darkness because they were not really interested in pleasing God. Everyone who makes a practice of doing evil, addicted to denial and illusion, hates God-light and won't come near it, fearing a painful exposure. But anyone working and living in truth and reality welcomes God-light so the work can be seen for the God-work it is."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Heaven Doesn't Hate You

Kevin Miller Rector

THE APOSTLES CREED

Officiant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed:

All: 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.

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Intercessor: Lord, we cry to you: All:

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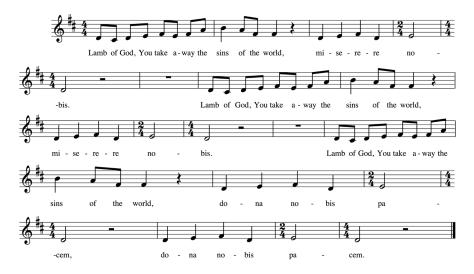
* Greek: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. All: And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Lamb of God



* "Misrere nobis" is a Latin phrase that means "have mercy on us." Dona nobis pacem" means "grant us peace."

ADMINISTRATION FROM THE RESERVED SACRAMENT

Officiant: Let us pray.

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he is us. Amen. Officiant: Let us pray in the words our Savior Christ has taught us:

- 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For thine is the kingdom, and the power, And the glory forever and ever. Amen.
- Officiant: The gift of God for the People of God. Take it in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

At this point, all who have the Reserved Sacrament will eat it together. If you do not have the sacrament, you may pray the following prayer.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

God So Loved

Come all you weary Come all you thirsty Come to the well That never runs dry Drink of the water Come and thirst no more

Come all you sinners Come find His mercy Come to the table He will satisfy Taste of His goodness Find what you're looking for

For God so loved The world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us Whoever believes in Him Will live forever

Bring all your failures Bring your addictions Come lay them down At the foot of the cross Jesus is waiting there With open arms See His open arms

The power of hell Forever defeated Now it is well I'm walking in freedom For God so loved God so loved the world

God So Loved (continued)

Praise God, Praise God From whom all blessings flow Praise Him, Praise Him For the wonders of His love His amazing love

Here I Am to Worship

Artwork: "Black Cross with Stars and Blue", Georgia O'Keeffe (1929)

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes let me see Beauty that made This heart adore You Hope of a life spent with You

So here I am to worship Here I am to bow down Here I am to say that You're my God You're altogether lovely Altogether worthy Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days Oh so highly exalted Glorious in heaven above Humbly You came To the earth You created All for love's sake became poor

And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross (x2)

The Lord is Gracious and Compassionate

The Lord is gracious and compassionate Slow to anger and rich in love (x2)

And the Lord is good to all And He has compassion On all that He has made

As far as the east is from the west That's how far He has removed Our transgressions from us

Praise the Lord Oh my soul, praise the Lord (x2)

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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.

THE BLESSING

- Celebrant: Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.
 - All: Amen.

There will now be a few announcements.

THE RECESSIONAL



THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. All: Thanks be to God. **Saturday Service LiveStream:** We continue to worship on Saturday through Zoom. <u>Access our services here.</u> To assist with worship, a copy of our Order of Worship is available on our <u>Sermons webpage</u> and will be emailed out every Friday through Breeze by Whitney Burns, our Communications Director.

Zoom-iversary Tailgate Party - Next Weekend! It's been a year since we transitioned our worship services to Zoom--It's our Zoom-iversary! So let's celebrate the strength and endurance it has required; and have some outdoor tailgating fun together on Sunday, March 21, 3:00-5:00pm at PHCC. Pop your trunk, unfold the lawn chairs and enjoy prepackaged snacks! Come with your cars decorated, as prizes will be awarded.

Holy Week Guide - Let's get ready! Last year we released our first Holy Week Guide and we've brought it back! This updated guide will help you prepare for our hybrid in-person and at-home Holy Week experience. Take a moment to read the <u>Holy Week Guide</u>, and gather what you'll need to fully participate this year.

What's New This Year? Good question! We will join together outdoors (at PHCC) for our Saturday Palm Procession (March 27, 12pm) and again for an Easter Sunday Celebration (April 4, 3pm). And for the first time ever we will journey through Stations of the Cross, hosted indoors at PHCC's gym.

Stations of the Cross - Sign Up: This devotional service is good for all ages, and moves you through the final 14 moments of Jesus's earthly life, from his betrayal to his burial. To ensure social distancing, please sign up for a 30-minute time slot <u>here</u>.

Good Friday Gift: This year, the Vestry has chosen to partner with DuPage Pads, a Wheaton organization that provides temporary shelter for homeless people and works to get them established in permanent housing. You can give from now until 2 weeks after Easter. Simply mark "Good Friday" on the memo line of your check and mail to Church of the Savior, PO Box 507, Wheaton, IL 60187.

Donations to Church of the Savior: There are two ways to give to Church of the Savior in this season: MAIL: Church of the Savior, PO Box 507, Wheaton, IL 60187 and ONLINE: Visit the <u>Giving page</u> on our website.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Outdoor Youth Group: Tomorrow evening, youth group will gather outdoors at All Souls Church, Sunday, March 14 at 4:00-5:30pm. This gathering is socially distanced with masks. Future in-person gathers are April 11 and May 16.

Zao Zoom Youth Room: There will be no virtual Youth Group meeting this Sunday (March 14), because of the in-person gathering.

Youth Event Calendar: Stay connected with Youth Group events!

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

"The Lord Is Gracious & Compassionate" - Season of Lent

February 17: *Ash Wednesday*, Ted Olsen February 20: Fr. Kevin Miller February 27: Fr. Kevin Miller March 6: Fr. Kevin Miller March 13: Fr. Kevin Miller March 20: Mtr. Karen Miller

Saturday, March 24 - Monday, April 5

Palm Procession & Service of the Passion

Saturday, March 27

Palm Procession: 12:00-12:30pm (Outdoors at PHCC) Reserved Sacrament Pick-up: 12:30-2:00pm (Outdoors at PHCC) Service of the Passion: 5:00pm (Zoom)

Stations of the Cross

Various days and times (Gym at PHCC) Wednesday, March 31: 5:00-8:00pm Thursday, April 1, 10:00am--1:00pm Friday, April 2, 12:00-3:00pm (Or online, starting April 1)

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 1: 7:00pm (Zoom)

Good Friday

Friday, April 2: 4:00pm (Zoom)

The Great Vigil of Easter

Saturday, April 3: 5:00pm (Zoom)

Easter Sunday Celebration *

Sunday, April 4: 3:00pm (Outdoors at PHCC)

*In the case of rain, we will celebrate on Wednesday, April 7 at 6:30pm instead.

Easter Monday

Monday, April 5: The church office is closed, and all staff will be away from work.

Thank you for your faithful giving!

As of March 6: Actual = \$52,106 Budget = \$61,610 Over/(Under) = (\$9,504)

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