

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 5, 2022 8:45AM

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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**Prelude**

*El Shaddai*

**Silent Procession**

**Penitential Order**

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People *His mercy endures for ever.*

**Confession & Absolution**

page 352 in BCP

**Kyrie**

Maher, Le and Ndolo

*Kyrie, eleison. Lord, have mercy. Christe, eleison, Christ, have mercy.*

*Kyrie, eleison. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

**Collect of the Day**

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.**

**The Lessons**

**The First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a**

<sup>1</sup>Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

<sup>4a</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

**The Psalm: Psalm 121**

<sup>1</sup>*I lift up my eyes to the hills; \* from where is my help to come?*

<sup>2</sup>*My help comes from the LORD, \* the maker of heaven and earth.*

<sup>3</sup>*He will not let your foot be moved \* and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.*

<sup>4</sup>*Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \* shall neither slumber nor sleep;*

<sup>5</sup>*The LORD himself watches over you; \* the LORD is your shade at your right hand,*

<sup>6</sup>*So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \* nor the moon by night.*

<sup>7</sup>*The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \* it is he who shall keep you safe.*

<sup>8</sup>*The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*  
from this time forth forevermore.*

## **The Epistle: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17**

<sup>1</sup>What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup>Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. <sup>5</sup>But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

<sup>13</sup>For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

## **Sequence Music**

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

***I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me all along my pilgrim journey, Lord I want Jesus to walk with me.***

## **The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17**

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>"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.

<sup>17</sup>"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."

## **Gospel Response**

***In my trials Lord walk with me. In my trials Lord walk with me when my heart is almost breaking, Lord I want Jesus to walk with me.***

## **The Sermon**

### **Nicene Creed**

pg. 358 in Book of Common Prayer

### **Prayers of the People**

Presider or Deacon We pray to you O Lord,

Music Response  
after each petition

Refrain *mp*

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -  
*mp*  
 Shep-herd me, be - yond my wants, be -  
 yond my fears, from death in - to  
 yond my fears, from death to  
 life. To verses 1, 2, 3, 5 To verse 4  
 life. life.  
 life. life.

## The Peace

### HOLY COMMUNION

#### Offertory Music

#### *My Song is Love Unknown*

Robin Mark

My song is love unknown, The Savior's love to me  
 Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be  
 For who am I, that in my place, My Lord should take frail flesh, and die

My song is love unbound, For love has conquered death  
 And love the victory won in this His parting breath  
 For with the cry, that all is done, Vain darkness fell before the Son

My song is love enthroned Where angel voices raise  
 To magnify the Son and sing the Father's praise  
 So shall I stand, in glorious throng And add my praises to that song  
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#### Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.  
 People ***And of thine own have we given thee.***

#### The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B

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.***  
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing . . . to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus

Dufford/Schutte

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna on high. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna on high.***

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God . . .  
. . . Therefore, according to his command, O Father,  
***We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;***  
And we offer our sacrifice and thanksgiving . . .  
. . . 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.**

### The Lord's Prayer

***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

*A period of silence is kept.*

***Refrain: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you lay down your life for the world: have mercy on us.  
Final Refrain: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you lay down your life for the world: O grant us, O grant us your peace.***

## Communion Music

### *Deep Within*

#### **Refrain:**

Deep within I will plant my law, Not on stone, but in your heart.  
Follow me, I will bring you back, You will be my own, and I will be your God.

#### **Verse 1**

I will give you a new heart, A new spirit within you, For I will be your strength. (Refrain)

**Verse 2:** Seek my face, and see your God, For I will be your hope. (Refrain)

**Verse 3:** Return to me, with all your heart, And I will bring you back. (Refrain)

## Postcommunion Prayer

***Almighty and everliving 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.***

## Blessing

### Closing Hymn

*In Christ Alone* (verses 1, 2)

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light my strength my song.  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love what depths of peace, when fears are stilled when strivings cease.  
My Comforter my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

## Silent Recession

## Dismissal

### Postlude

*In Christ Alone* (verses 3, 4)

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again.  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.  
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.  
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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