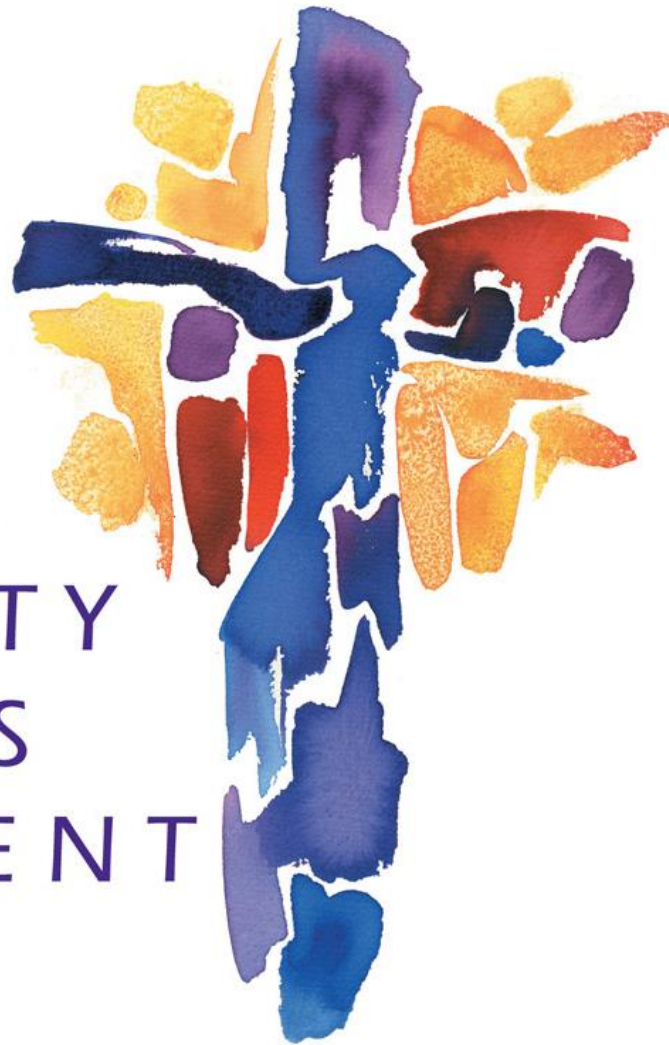


# The Third Sunday in Lent

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# Sunday Morning Prayer

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**Prelude** Wo soll ich fliehen hin

**Johann Sebastian Bach**

*Where shall I flee, since I am burdened with many great sins? Where shall I find rescue? If all the world came to me, they could not take away my fear.*

**Opening Hymn**

*From deepest woe I cry to thee;  
Aus tiefer Not*

**Hymnal 151**



1 From deep - est woe I cry to thee; Lord, hear me, I im -  
2 Thou grant - est par - don through thy love; thy grace a - lone a -  
3 And thus my hope is in the Lord, and not in my own



plore thee! Bend down thy gra - cious ear to me;  
vail - eth. Our works could ne'er our guilt re - move;  
mer - it; I rest up - on his faith - ful word



I lay my sins be - fore thee.  
yea, e'en the best life fail - eth.  
to them of con - trite spi - rit.



If thou re - mem - berest ev - ery sin,  
For none may boast them - selves of aught,  
That he is mer - ci - ful and just,



if nought but just re - ward we win,  
but must con - fess thy grace hath wrought  
here is my com - fort and my trust;



could we a - bide thy pres - ence?  
what - e'er in them is wor - thy.  
his help I wait with pa - tience.

## The Opening Sentence

*Leader* Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.

*Joel 2:13*

## Confession of Sin

*Leader* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*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.**

*Leader* 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.**

## The Invitatory and Psalter

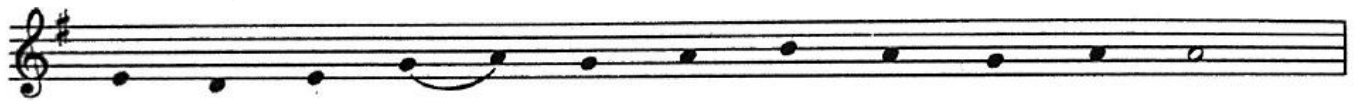
*Leader* Lord, open our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*All* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

# The Invitatory: Venite

# Plainsong



The Lord is full of com - pas - sion and mer - cy:



Come let us a - dore him.



1. Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our



sal - va - tion. 2. Let us come before his presence with thanks - giv - ing



and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. 3. For the Lord is a



great God, and a great King a - bove all gods. 4. In his hand are



the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his al - so.



5. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have mold - ed the dry land.



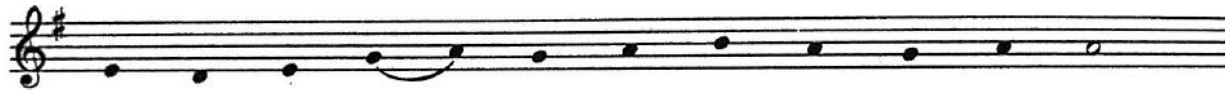
6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord



our Ma - ker. 7. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture



and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would heark - en to his voice!



The Lord is full of com - pas - sion and mer - cy:



Come let us a - dore him.

*Then follows*

## Psalm 19

Tone II.1



- 1 *The heavens* declare the glory of / God,\*  
and the firmament shows / his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to an/other,\*  
and one night imparts knowledge to / another.
- 3 Although they have no words or / language,\*  
and their voi/ces are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into / all lands,\*  
and their message to the ends / of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he 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.
- 6 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.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and re/vives the soul;\*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to / the  
innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and re/joyce the heart;\*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light / to the  
eyes.



- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for / ever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous al/together.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than / much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than hon/ey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant en/lightened, \*  
and in keeping them there / is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often / he offends? \*  
cleans me from / my secret faults.
- 13 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.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
be acceptable in your / sight, \*  
O LORD, my strength and my / redeemer.

Glory to the Father, and / to the Son, \*  
and to the / Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is / now, \*  
and will be forev/er. Amen.

## The Readings

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### The First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Then God spoke all these words:  
I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of  
Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other  
gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord  
*All*        **Thanks be to God.**

## Canticle 10: The Second Song of Isaiah

## Immense caeli Conditor



1. Seek God while he wills to be found, When  
2. Let all of them turn to our God And  
3. Your thoughts and ways are not like mine, Says  
4. For as the earth is watered well When  
5. So, too, my word when it goes forth Will  
6. All glory to the Father, Son, And



he draws near you, make your plea; Let evil ones for -  
come again to serve the Lord; For his com - pass - ion  
God, nor can they ever be; My thoughts rise o - ver  
heaven sends down the rain and snow, Bring - ing forth life and  
not re - turn emp - ty to me; It will acc - om - pish  
to the Ho - ly Spi - rit be, As from the first it



sake their ways, The wick - ed their in - i - qui - ty.—  
will be shown, Rich - ly his mer - cy is out-poured.  
yours as heaven Soars far a - bove the earth and sea.  
giv - ing growth, Both bread to eat and seed to sow,  
all my will And pros - per in it migh - ti - ly.  
was, is now, And will be for e - ter - ni - ty.

## The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

*Reader* A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

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.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord  
*All*        **Thanks be to God.**

# Canticle 16: The Song of the Zechariah

# Shepherd's Pipes

1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free and  
 2. With prom - ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call, the  
 3. My child, as pro - phet of the Lord you will pre - pare the way, to

rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da - vid's tree. So  
 oath once sworn to A - bra - ham; from foes to save us all; that  
 tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway. Then

have the pro - phets long de - clared that with his might - y arm God  
 we might wor - ship with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in  
 shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease, to

would turn back our en - e - mies and all that wish us harm.  
 ho - li - ness and right - eous - ness to serve God all our days.  
 drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

## The Gospel Reading: John 2:13-22

*Reader* A Reading from the Gospel of John

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.

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord  
*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## The Sermon

*The Reverend Rachel Wenner Gardner*

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## 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.

## The Prayers

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*Leader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Leader* Let us pray.

## The Lord's Prayer

*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**

## **Suffrages B:**

Leader Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**People Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Leader Day by day we bless you;

**People We praise your name for ever.**

Leader Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**People Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**

Leader Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**People For we put our trust in you.**

Leader In you, Lord, is our hope;

**People And we shall never hope in vain.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Leader* 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.**

## **A Prayer for Sundays**

*Leader* O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## A Collect for the Renewal of Life

*Leader* O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*All* **My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.** *(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

## The Offertory / Parish Notices

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*Good Morning and Thank you for joining us today. We miss seeing you in person, yet we are blessed to continue to worship with you each week.*

*As we continue to bring the church to you in the virtual world, we want to share with you somethings that are happening:*

*Morning Prayer continues each weekday at 9:00 am and Candlelight Compline on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Join us on Facebook Live.*

*CH@Ts will meet today to discuss the Lenten devotional sent home this season: Living Well through Lent: Listening with Our Heart and Mind and Soul.*

*Meeting ID: 937 9954 3941 Zoom Link: [Here](#)*

*If you wish to give a gift today, we encourage you to do it during the Offertory, either by texting CHT DONATE to 73256 or by pressing “Learn More” on our Facebook Page.*

## **Offertory Sentence**

*Leader* The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork. One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another. (Psalm 19:1-2)

**Offertory Anthem:**      *Teach me, O Lord*                      **Thomas Attwood**

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

## **Prayer for Mission**

*Leader* Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

## **Prayers of the People, Lent**

*Leader* Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion, hear our prayers.

*Leader* We pray for the church, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel our Bishop. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for the Union of Black Episcopalians. In our companion diocese of Guatemala, we pray for Iglesia Episcopal San Antonio, (Saint Anthony’s Church), Sejà, Rio Dulce, The Rev. Deacon Juan Yat and for all leaders, ministers and all the holy people of God. Wash us through and through,

**People**      **And cleanse us from our sin.**

*Leader* We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, and for all who govern and judge. Purge us from our sin,

**People** **And we shall be pure.**

*Leader* We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live under the threat of terror, and those without a place to lay their head. For those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely, especially Octavia, the Tokley Family, Jess, Brooke, John, Peter, Barbara, Robert, Maggie, Rudi, Ruben, John, Nancy, Emily, Brad & Family, Natasha, Mihayo, MomMom Carol, Emily, Jennifer, Rayelenn, Gordon, Joel, Alyssa, Otis, Valeria, Beth, Devon, Eleanor, Julie, Janette, Jerry's Family, and those you wish to name. Make them hear of joy and gladness,

**People** **that those who are broken may rejoice.**

*Leader* We pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent and grow closer to you, O God. Create in us clean hearts, O God,

**People** **and renew a right spirit within us.**

*Leader* We pray for those who have died, and who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace, especially Jason, Dutch, David, and Erin. Cast them not away from your presence,

**People** **and take not your Holy Spirit from them.**

*Leader* We pray the prayers our children and youth have asked for: especially for good general health, for a safe and smooth vaccination process, that school can reopen soon for all children and youth, for the ability to deal with stress and a lot of homework, and for continued safety and care as weather gets warmer and people gather again in person. Give them the joy of your saving help,

**People** **and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.**



*Leader* We pray for those things for which we are thankful this week.

*Leader* Lord Jesus, it was your will that your Father's House would be a place of prayer for all people; grant us the strength and wisdom to be a people consumed with prayer and zeal for you, this day and always. **Amen.**

## **The General Thanksgiving**

**All** Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

*Leader* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Closing Sentence**

*Leader* May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*  
*Romans 15:13*

*All* **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn***We sing the praise of him who died,  
Breslau***Hymnal 471**

1 We sing the praise of him who died, of  
 2 In - scribed up - on the cross we see in  
 3 The cross: it takes our guilt a - way, and  
 4 It makes the cow - ard spi - rit brave, and  
 5 The balm of life, the cure of woe, the

1 him who died up - on the cross; the sin - ner's hope let  
 2 shin - ing let - ters, God is love: he bears our sins up -  
 3 holds the faint - ing spi - rit up; it cheers with hope the  
 4 nerves the fee - ble arm for fight; it takes its ter - ror  
 5 mea - sure and the pledge of love, the sin - ner's re - fuge

1 sin de - ride: for this we count the world but loss.  
 2 on the tree: he brings us mer - cy from a - bove.  
 3 gloom - y day, and sweet - ens ev - ery bit - ter cup.  
 4 from the grave, and gilds the bed of death with light.  
 5 here be - low, the an - gels' theme in heaven a - bove.

**Postlude:***Fughetta on Dies sind die heiligen zehen Gebot  
These are the holy Ten Commandments***Johann Sebastian Bach**

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