

# The Holy Eucharist

The First Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2021

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Be Thou My Vision

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night. Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord. Thou my great Father, Thy own may I be; Thou in me dwelling, and I with one Thee.
3. High King of heaven, when victory's won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

### Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People His mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant Let us pray

**All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### The Summary of the Law

**Celebrant** Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

### The Kyrie

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

### Before the Throne

1. Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea; a great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands. My name is written on His heart. I know that while in heaven He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart; no tongue can bid me thence depart.
2. When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see Him there who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died my sinful soul is counted free. For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me; to look on Him and pardon me.
3. Behold Him there! The risen Lamb; my perfect, spotless, righteousness, the great unchangeable I AM; the King of Glory and of Grace. One with Himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high; with Christ my Savior and my God; with Christ my Savior and my God.

### Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you

**People And also with you**

Celebrant 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.**

### **The Lessons**

#### **Genesis 9:8-17**

<sup>8</sup>Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” <sup>12</sup>And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Reader                The Word of the Lord

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

#### **Psalms 25:3-9**

<sup>3</sup> Show me your ways, O Lord,  
**and teach me your paths.**

<sup>4</sup> Lead me forth in your truth, and teach me, \*  
**for you are the God of my salvation; in you has been my hope all the day long.**

<sup>5</sup> Call to remembrance, O Lord, your tender mercies, \*  
**and your loving-kindnesses, which have been from of old.**

<sup>6</sup> O remember not the sins and offenses of my youth, \*  
**but according to your mercy think on me, O Lord, in your goodness.**

<sup>7</sup> Gracious and righteous is the Lord; \*  
**therefore will he teach sinners in the way.**

<sup>8</sup> Those who are meek shall he guide in judgment, \*  
**and those who are gentle shall he teach his way.**

<sup>9</sup> All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth \*  
**to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; \***  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

#### **1 Peter 3:18-22**

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

Reader                The Word of the Lord

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

**The Gospel      Mark 1:9-13**

Priest            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

**People            Glory to you Lord Christ**

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

<sup>12</sup>The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

Priest            The Gospel of the Lord

**People            Praise to you Lord Christ**

**The Sermon**

**The Nicene Creed**

**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: was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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**

Leader            Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Leader            For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, in your mercy:

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Leader            For Foley, our Archbishop, Mark, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, in your mercy:

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Leader            For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. Lord, in your mercy:

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Leader            For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy:

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Leader            For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service especially President Biden, Governor Beshear and the Mayors of the Bluegrass. Lord, in your mercy:

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Leader            For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Lord, in your mercy:

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Leader            For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in your mercy:

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.  
*(As we pause in silence all are invited to offer silent petitions and intercessions or pray out loud with those gathered together.)*

Leader Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

### **The Confession and Absolution of Sin**

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**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, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Comfortable Words**

Celebrant Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

### **The Peace**

Celebrant May the peace of Christ be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

## **The Liturgy of Holy Communion**

### **The Offertory**

Celebrant Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O LORD,

**People And of your own have we given you.**

### **The Sursum Corda**

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, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say/sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### **The Sanctus**

**All 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.**

### **The Prayer of Consecration**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,\* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**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, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.

**All AMEN**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

**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.**

#### **Fraction**

**Celebrant** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

**People** Therefore let us keep the feast!

#### **The Prayer of Humble Access**

**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 in us. Amen.**

#### **The Agnus Dei**

**Celebrant** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**People** have mercy on us.

**Celebrant** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**People** have mercy on us.

**Celebrant** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**People** grant us your peace.

**Celebrant** The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### **The Ministration of Communion**

##### **Balm of Gilead**

1. You're the rock of the ages; You're the Balm of Gilead. Make us strong and courageous; heal the wounds that we've had.

C1. We need Your Spirit; we freedom. We need Your Spirit; we freedom. We need You; we need You.

2. You're the counselor from heaven; You're my bright and morning star. You bring comfort and protection. Shine Your light in my heart.

C2. I need Your Spirit; I need freedom. I need Your Spirit; I need freedom. I need You; I need You.

##### **The 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 [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

##### **The Prayer of Christian Discipleship**

**Heavenly Father, 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 forever. Amen.**

##### **The Blessing**

### **O Love That Will Not Let Me Go**

1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.
2. O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.
3. O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.
4. O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red; life that shall endless be.

### **The Dismissal**

Priest                Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People                Thanks be to God.**