

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

ORDER OF WORSHIP



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

A CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

MARCH 1, 2026
7:30 a.m.

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Live God's Love

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

A Penitential Order

References to the BCP are to the red Book of Common Prayer in your pew rack.

Families may find materials for children behind the right lectern and near the font to the left of the pulpit.

OPENING ACCLAMATION (*BCP, p. 319*)

THE DECALOGUE (*BCP, p. 317*)

The People kneel or stand.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION (*BCP, p. 320*)

KYRIE ELEISON (*BCP, p. 324*)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Genesis 12:1-4a

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. 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. 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.” So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. 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. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. 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, 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL LESSON – John 3:1-17

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 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.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” 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?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be

astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ 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.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? “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. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And 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.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON – The Reverend Canon Anna Russell Friedman
A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED (*BCP, p. 326*)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*BCP, p. 328*)

THE PEACE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY



You may leave your offering in the plates as they are passed or you may scan the QR code with your phone to give online.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Eucharistic Prayer I BCP, p. 333*)

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*BCP, p. 336*)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD (*BCP, p. 337*)

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (*BCP, p. 337*)

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (*BCP, p. 339*)

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

The Celebrant says

Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel or stand and the Celebrant says

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL (*BCP, p. 339*)

PRAYERS

Today we give thanks for the birth of new babies especially Malcolm Harold Clayton grandson of Ellen and Jay Clayton; William Davis Hopper son of Will and Kaitlyn Hopper and grandson of Christy and William Hooper; and Wells David Sheesley son of Buck and Anna Sheesley and grandson of Ken and Katy Sheesley.

We pray for our parishioners especially Benjamin, Jojo, Jim, Phyllis, Kevin, Jan, Susan, Paul, Peggy, Melanie, Janet, Jim, Dee, Stacey, Steve, Mimi, Roger, Jerry, Betsy, David, Lennon, Bobby, Shona, and John.

We also pray for the families and friends of parishioners especially Rob, Colin, Darci, Patty, Rusty, Sarah, Dart, Dianne, Alyssa, Susan, Olinka, Michael, Liam, Mitzi, Aiden, Chang, Xandre, Ben and Emma Porter and their babies, Allison, Kenneth, Charm, Sandi, Bruce, Amy, Andy, Betty, Heather, Nichole, and Staci.

We pray for those who have died, especially the Honorable John Brown, husband of Anne Brown; Dr. Mildred Leake Day, grandmother of Marjory Day; Jerry Hall, grandfather of Kenneth Edel and great-grandfather of Julie; Robert Murray, father of Sharon Edel and grandfather of Julie; Eric Pratt husband of Bonnie Pratt and father of Geoffrey Pratt; Kathryn Ward, grandmother of Gina Williams and great-grandmother of Zach Williams; and Marny Yenser, mother of Vicki Estrin.

CELEBRANT AND PREACHER
The Reverend Canon Anna Russell Friedman,
Canon and Associate Rector for Family Ministries

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