

First Sunday in Lent, February 21, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION



(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Fountain of living water, pour out your mercy over us. Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free. Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood. Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as healers and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.

KYRIE: "For the Troubles and the Sufferings" (ACS #1051)



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For the trou - bles and the suf - f'rings of the world,



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God, we call up - on your mer - cy: the



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whole cre - a - tion's la - bor - ing in pain! Lend an



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GREETING

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep - a - rate us from the love of God.



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HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "When We Are Tested" (ACS #922, vs. 1-3)

- 1 **When we are tested and wrestle alone,
famished for bread when the world offers stone,
nourish us, God, by your word and your way,
food that sustains us by night and by day.**
- 2 **When in the desert we cry for relief,
pleading for paths marked by certain belief,
lift us to love you beyond sign and test,
trusting your presence, our only true rest.**
- 3 **When we are tempted to barter our souls,
trading the truth for the pow'r to control,
teach us to worship and praise only you,
seeking your will in the work that we do.**

CREED

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 into hell.

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**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

PEACE

*The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.***

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

OFFERING PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.***

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

*...With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

*O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our tables with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.***

*With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.***

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as our Savior teaches us...

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, forever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING: *Go in peace. Share the good news. Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE

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