Third Sunday in Lent
March 20, 2022
10:30 AM   Holy Eucharist
Prelude

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Opening Hymn  H149  Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church

1 Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church
2 So daily dying to the way of self,
3 If dead in you, so in you we arise,

walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent,
so daily living to your way of love,
you the first-born of all the faithful dead;

led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
we walk the road, Lord Jesus, that you trod,
and as through stony ground the green shoots break,

moved by your love and toward your presence bent:
knowing ourselves baptized into your death:
glorious in spring-time dress of leaf and flower,

far off yet here—the goal of all desire.
so we are dead and live with you in God.
so in the Father’s glory shall we wake.

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PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives our sins.
People: God’s mercy endures forever.

Celebrant: Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.”

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God.

A period of silence will be observed.

Celebrant and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. AMEN.

ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. AMEN.

TRISAGION S102 Trisagion

Holy God, Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you
People: And also with you
Celebrant: Let us pray
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.

The people may be seated for the Lessons.

FIRST LESSON        Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, ”I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.” When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, ”Moses, Moses!” And he said, ”Here I am.” Then he said, ”Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” He said further, ”I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, ”I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, ”Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, ”I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.”

But Moses said to God, ”If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ’The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ’What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, ”I AM WHO I AM.” He said further, ”Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ’I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, ”Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ’The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’:

This is my name forever,
    and this my title for all generations.”

Lector:    The Word of the Lord.
People:    Thanks be to God.

A period of silence will be observed.
THE PSALM  Psalm 63:1-8  Deus, Deus meus

(Said together)

1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
   my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
   as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
   that I might behold your power and your glory.

3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
   my lips shall give you praise.

4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
   and lift up my hands in your Name.

5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
   and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
   and meditate on you in the night watches.

7 For you have been my helper, *
   and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

8 My soul clings to you; *
   your right hand holds me fast.

SECOND LESSON  1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Lector:  The Word of the Lord.
People:  Thanks be to God.
A period of silence will be observed.

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

HYMN  
*I want Jesus to walk with me* (sung before and after The Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL  

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON  
The Reverend Paul Carling, Supply Priest
JAZZ RESPONSE
A musical response to the sermon

THE NICENE CREED
Please rise, in body or in spirit.

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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from 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
Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear us when we pray in the name of your Son. In confidence and trust, we pray for the Church: for ECCT in the midst of change with Ian’s retirement, and for St Paul and St James as we seek a priest-in-charge to be among us. We also pray for St Michael’s, Litchfield; St Andrew’s, Madison; St Mary’s, Manchester; and St Andrew’s, Marble Dale. In the worldwide Anglican Communion, we lift up in prayer La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico.
Thus we pray, O God, you are my God,
Therefore, I seek you.

Loving God, be with your people in Ukraine, struggling to avoid the bombs, and enduring little food and shelter.
Thus we pray, O God, you are my God,
Therefore, I seek you.

God of our ancestors, lead all those trapped by addiction, hunger, illness or war, into safety, as Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt into a new land.
Thus we pray, O God, you are my God,
Therefore, I seek you.

Creator God, natural signs abound that a new season of spring is upon us, as blades of green sprout and buds burst forth. May we too know a newness within, repenting of our old ways and welcoming renewal.
Thus we pray, O God, you are my God,
Therefore, I seek you.

God of hope and comfort, restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We pray especially for: Andrew, Anastasia, Katherine and Misha; Arthur; Carol and her family; Charles; Donna; baby Jasper; Karl; Kori; Martin; Ramona and her family; Rebecca; Susan & Edd; Theresa; Tom & Merle, and all on our prayer list.

We remember those who grieve a recent loss, especially the Rhodeen family and the Zichichi family. May the good memories they hold give them some peace at this time of great loss.

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Sarah Hill, Brian Fillmore, Sally Fleming, Judy Hopkins, Nancy Noyes, and Tiffany Jackson. May they delight in new possibilities, continuing to grow in God’s grace.
Thus we pray,
O God, you are my God,
Therefore, I seek you.

Celebrant: O God, hear the prayers of your people. Fill our hearts with your Love, that we may continue to seek you in one another and our neighbor. We ask this through Jesus, the Christ, who lives and is among us today and all days. AMEN.
HYMN  

**O Lord hear my Prayer**

\[ \text{\begin{music} \text{O Lord hear my pray'r O Lord hear my pray'r When I call, answer me. O} \end{music}} \]

\[ \text{\begin{music} \text{Lord hear my pray'r. O Lord hear my pray'r Come and listen to me. O} \end{music}} \]

**THE PEACE**

Celebrant: La paz del Senor sea siempre con ustedes.  
People:  
Y con tu espíritu.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People:  
And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God’s peace and then are seated.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BIRTHDAY PRAYER**

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants, especially Sarah, Brian, Sally, Judy, Nancy, and Tiffany as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

**OFFERTORY**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**

**PRESENTATION HYMN**  
Ubi Caritas

\[ \text{\begin{music} \text{U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,} \end{music}} \]

\[ \text{\begin{music} \text{u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.} \end{music}} \]

Where charity and love are, God is there
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Then the Celebrant continues
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Paul and James and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

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

THE LORD’S PRAYER

O UR Father in heaven,
     hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. AMEN.

P A DRE nuestro
 que estás en los cielos
Santificado sea tu Nombre
Venga tu reino
Hágase tu voluntad
En la tierra como en el cielo
Danos hoy el pan de este día y
perdona nuestras deudas
como nosotros perdonamos
nuestros deudores
y no nos dejes caer en al tentación
sino que líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la
Gloría,
ahora y por siempre. AMEN.
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC    H439

What wondrous love is this

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

caused the Lord of bliss to lay a-side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil-lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy-ful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing
soul, for my soul, to lay a-side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835    Music: Wondrous Love, from The Southern Harmony, 1835
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

**Celebrant and People:**

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.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

**Celebrant:** Bow down before the Lord.

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

CLOSING HYMN  H142  Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days

1 Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray,
2 As thou with Satan didst contend, and didst the victory win,
3 As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord,
4 And through these days of penance, and through thy Passion-tide,
5 Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering overpast,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to conquer sin.
3 to die to self, and chief-ly live by thy most holy word.
4 yea, ever more, in life and death, Jesus! with us abide.
5 an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!

Words: Claudia Frances Herrman (1838-1898)  Music: St. Florence, melody from *Day’s Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

DISMISSAL

**Celebrant:** Let us bless the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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We continue to livestream our Sunday morning service at 10:30 am.

Please note that you cannot access the Sunday morning service via Zoom. Go to our web site: www.stpaulstjames.org or our Facebook page.

You can, however, use Zoom to participate in our Compline services every Tuesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. by using the following link: https://zoom.us/j/962885125

Alternatively, you can go to Zoom.com, click on “Join a Meeting”, and enter meeting #: 962885125 and passcode 5700, if prompted.

Our Wednesday Noonday Service is held every week in the Chapel at 12:20 p.m.

Third Sunday in Lent
March 20, 2022

Celebrant & Preacher:
The Reverend Paul Carling,
Supply Priest

Worship Leaders:
Kate Galambos
Tudy Hill
Caity Stuart
David Tate

Musician:
William Cleary

Technical Assistance:
Alec Pedersen
Claire Cody
Daniel Santana-Gonzalez
Nate Solberg
**ST. PJ’S COVID-19 POLICY**

Help us to stop the spread of COVID-19. If you have tested positive, exhibit any symptoms, or have recently been exposed, we ask that you stay home and participate via our live stream. For those attending in person, thank you for following proper masking (over the nose and mouth) and physical distancing at all times.

Please be aware that **by attending church, you are participating in our live stream**, which means you may appear in a video that is saved on our Facebook page.

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**WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM**

At the Annual Meeting in January, Nate Solberg asked how parishioners might be helpful to the pastoral care team. I was touched by his query, because it shows that we are not the only ones who reach out to fellow members of St PJs. In fact, there are many ‘unsung folks’ who quietly keep in touch, sharing the love of Jesus. The Pastoral Care team came up with these suggestions if you want a practical way to help us.

1) Inform the pastoral care team if you know someone who would like prayers and/or a visit (to include the Eucharist, if desired).
2) Communicate with a fellow parishioner via text, email, card, or phone call, especially if you haven’t seen them in a while.
3) Donate a meal (home-cooked, or take-out; it’s the thought that counts!)

Please be in touch with Tudy, if/when you want to reply…

**tudy.cox.hill@gmail.com**

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**GIFT CARDS:**

Do you shop at Stop and Shop and/or ShopRite? If you do, consider purchasing a gift card from the church! A percentage will go to the church, and you can buy your groceries as usual. Find Sally Fleming after church on Sundays if you are interested.
PRAYERS & THANKSGIVINGS

We pray for the souls of the faithful departed and their families and friends.

Steven Zichichi (3/11)
Kassie (3/12)
Eleanor Barrett

Blessed are they who die in the Lord; even so saith the Spirit for they rest from their labors.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

We give thanks for the birthdays and anniversaries of members, friends, and supporters of the St. PJ’s community.

Sarah Hill (3/20)
Brian Fillmore (3/23)
Sally Fleming (3/25)
Judy Hopkins (3/26)
Nancy Noyes (3/26)
Tiffany Jackson (3/26)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing...
-Romans 15:13

ST. PJ’S PRAYER LIST

The list reflects prayer requests for those who are homebound, or who have long-term concerns. During the Prayers of the People we read aloud the names of those who are experiencing acute illness or distress.

Charles Amore
Charles Harris
Jennifer & Marilyn Nelson
Gary & Susan Sapp
Gwen Chapin
Hanne Howard
Henry Noyes
Alyce & Tim Barnes
Joanie Gillette
David
Isaiah Colville
Donna Crowson
Leota Tucker
Lisa Layman
Martha
Mary Creaser
Tiras Jaske
Rev. Harlon Dalton
Olivia Rose
Pam Sayre
Alene Tate
Thurmon Whitley & Andrew Whitley
Majeeda Baheyaddeen
Sally Edwards
Kathie Silvey
Vanetta Lloyd
Andrew, Anastasia & Katherine Oghiy
Saskia Bergmans Smith
Jarrell Evans
Wendy Wagner
Sara Long
Cynthia King
Richard Holcomb
Edwina Johnson
Marcia Smith
Sue Loden
Albert Stillman Potter
Jim
Ramona Vega
Martin O’Brien
Kori Menefee
Kylie Lark
Tom Wilhelmson
Happiness Kamonya
Theresa Kovacs
Jessica Johns
Misha
Susan & Edd Eldridge
Rebecca Zinko
Pete
Tom & Merle Troeger
Carol and her family
Arthur Slusark
Karl Mini
Lauren Troy
baby Jasper
Zichichi Family

OUR STAFF

William Cleary, Director of Music
Tudy Hill, Minister of Pastoral Care
Susan Yates, Liturgist
Crystal Gooding, Parish Administrator
Samuel Rodriguez, Sexton
The Rev. Nathan Empsall, Seasonal Supply Priest
The Rev. Steve Crowson, Priest Associate

OUR VESTRY

Wardens: Brian Fillmore, Claire Cody
Treasurer: David Hill
Clerk: Maggie King

David Tate
Nate Solberg
Agatha Zichichi-Evans
Lynne Severance
Maggie King
Max Clayton
Bill Evans
Marilyn Bergen
Vanessa Gonzalez-Rivera