

THE THIRD SUNDAY
IN LENT
THE HOLY EUCHARIST
MARCH 7, 2010
AT ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

*The Reverend Canon Carol L. Wade, presider
The Reverend Nicole Simopolous, gospeller
The Reverend Gwendolyn W. Tobias, assistant
The Reverend Canon Stephen Huber, preacher
The Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fantasia et Fuga in c, BWV 537

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

WELCOME

Dean Lloyd

THE ENTRANCE RITE

INTROIT

Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake

Richard Farrant (c. 1530-1580)

Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk with a perfect heart before thee, now and evermore.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 435

At the Name of Jesus

Sung by all, standing.

King's Weston

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be the God of our salvation:
Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 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."

TRISAGION

The cantor sings through once. All sing the second and third time.

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Migh - ty, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

The presider prays the collect, and the people respond Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the reading and the psalm.

THE READING

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."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 63:1-8

Plainsong

The choir sings the psalm.

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.
Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,

that I might behold your power and your glory.
For your loving-kindness is better than life itself;
my lips shall give you praise.
So will I bless you as long as I live
and lift up my hands in your Name.
My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
When I remember you upon my bed,
and meditate on you in the night watches.
For you have been my helper,
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast.

The people stand to sing the hymn and remain standing for the Gospel.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 149

Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church

Old 124th

THE GOSPEL

Luke 13:1-9

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.'"

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Canon Huber

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each intercession,

Holy and Mighty God,
We humbly pray to you.

The presider prays the concluding collect, and the people respond Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.

The presider offers the absolution, and the people respond Amen.

THE PEACE

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

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

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support the Cathedral's work of sharing God's love with the world.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Salvator mundi

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

Salvator mundi, salva nos, qui per crucem et sanguinem redemisti nos: auxiliare nobis, te deprecamur, Deus noster.

Savior of the world, save us, who by your cross and your blood has redeemed us; help us, we beseech you, our God.

The people stand to sing and remain standing throughout the Great Thanksgiving.

PRESENTATION HYMN

My God, thy table now is spread

Rockingham

My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
Let not thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the
love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall
thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

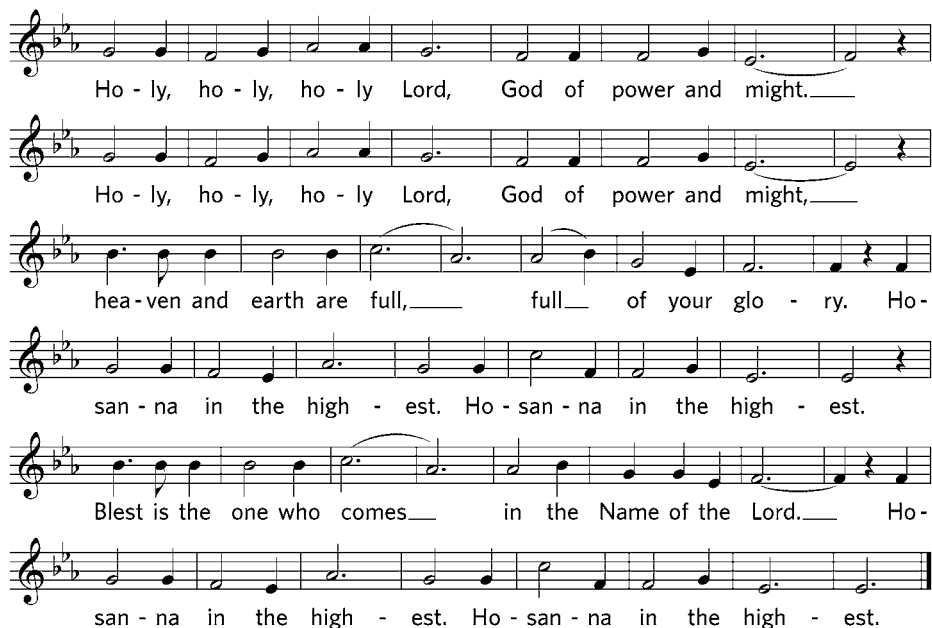
The presider offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Said by all.

Holy, holy, holy

Deutsche Messe



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.____
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,____
hea - ven and earth are full,____ full__ of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blest is the one who comes__ in the Name of the Lord.____ Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The presider gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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. AMEN.

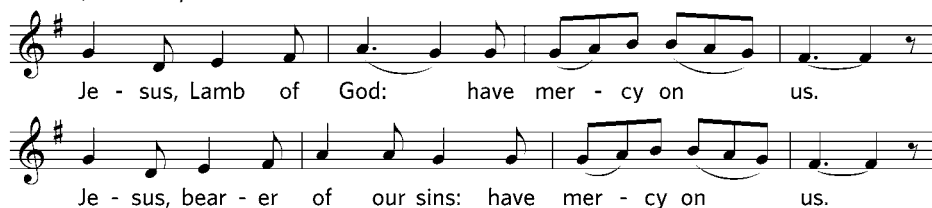
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

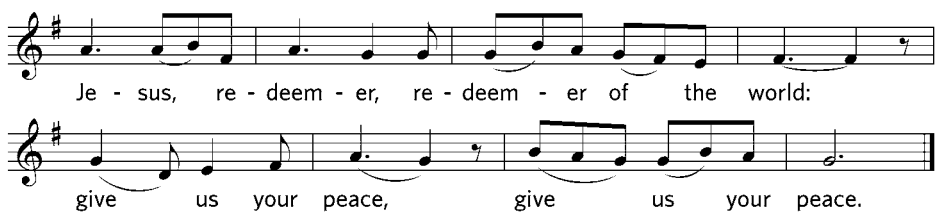
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus, Lamb of God

Deutsche Messe



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



INVITATION

The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you desire to receive prayers for healing, you are invited to proceed to the high altar after receiving Holy Communion or immediately following the service.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Drop, drop, slow tears

William Walton (1902-1983)

Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beautiful feet, which brought from heav'n the news and Prince of Peace: cease not, wet eyes, his mercy to entreat; to cry for vengeance, sin doth never cease. In your deep flood drown all my faults and fears; nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)

The people stand.

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 707

Sung by all.

Take my life and let it be

Hollingside

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER

The presider prays the solemn prayer which according to ancient custom replaces the final blessing during Lent. The people respond with Amen.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING - 665

Sung by all.

All my hope on God is founded

Michael

THE DISMISSAL

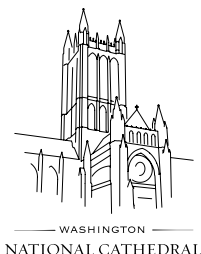
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude in C minor, Op. 37, No. 1

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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