



# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Mission: To Reveal God's Love by Nourishing the  
Community through Worship, Acceptance, and Service.*

## **Holy Eucharist with Spiritual Communion The First Sunday in Lent February 21, 2021**



**“You are my...Beloved;  
with you I am well pleased.”**

**Mark 1:11**

*This liturgy is reprinted from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer*

## Diocesan Statement of Unity

*As part of the Jesus Movement and the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego, we pledge to love our neighbors and protect the most vulnerable among us, remembering our baptismal vows to “strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.” We live these pledges out by actively engaging in dismantling racism. For many of us, this will mean learning more about our racial identity, listening to those who have experienced racial prejudice, speaking out against racism, and showing up alongside those in our community working to change unjust systems in our society. We also live out this pledge at worship during this pandemic, by wearing face-coverings, respecting distancing guidelines, foregoing the common cup and refraining from congregational singing unless safely inside our cars or home.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Opening Hymn

The glory of these forty days

*The Hymnal 1982 - #143, verses 1-4*



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
 2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
 3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
 4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
 \* 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
 2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
 3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
 4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
 5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
 2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
 3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
 4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
 5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

## **Lenten Acclamation**

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*All*           ***God's mercy endures forever.***

## **Litany of Penitence**

*The Celebrant and People together*

Most holy and merciful Father:

We confess to you and to one another,  
and to the whole communion of saints  
in heaven and on earth,  
that we have sinned by our own fault  
in thought, word, and deed;  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

*The Celebrant continues*

We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and  
strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We  
have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

*All*    ***Have mercy on us, Lord.***

We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us.  
We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved  
your Holy Spirit.

*All*    ***Have mercy on us, Lord.***

We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the  
pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

*All*    ***We confess to you, Lord.***

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation  
of other people,

*All*    ***We confess to you, Lord.***

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those  
more fortunate than ourselves,

*All*    ***We confess to you, Lord.***

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and  
our dishonesty in daily life and work,

*All*    ***We confess to you, Lord.***

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to  
commend the faith that is in us,

*All*    ***We confess to you, Lord.***

Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done:  
for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our

indifference to injustice and cruelty,  
*All    **Accept our repentance, Lord.***

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

*All    **Accept our repentance, Lord.***

For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,

*All    **Accept our repentance, Lord.***

Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;

*All    **Favorably hear us, for your mercy is great.***

Accomplish in us the work of your salvation,

*All    **That we may show forth your glory in the world.***

By the cross and passion of your Son our Lord,

*All    **Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.***

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desires not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, has given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. God pardons and absolves all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech God to grant us true repentance and God's Holy Spirit, that those things may please God which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to God's eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

*People    **Christ, have mercy.***

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you,

*All        **And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### **Collect of the Day**

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. **Amen.**

### **First Reading:**

#### **A Reading from Genesis 9:8-17**

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” 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: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 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. 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.” 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  
*All*            ***Thanks be to God.***

#### **The Psalm** (*Prayed responsively by half verse*)

##### **Psalm 25:1-9**

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*

***let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.***

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
***let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.***

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, \*  
***and teach me your paths.***

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
***for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.***

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*  
***for they are from everlasting.***

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
**remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.**

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*  
**therefore he teaches sinners in his way.**

8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
**and teaches his way to the lowly.**

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*  
**to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

## Second Reading:

### A Reading from Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

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

## Homily

The Rev. Brenda Sol

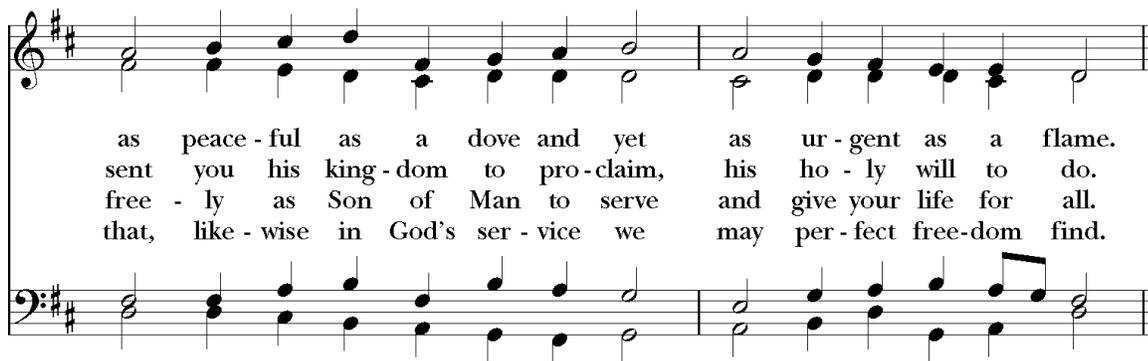
## Contemplative Silence

## Hymn of Praise

Christ, when for us you were baptized

*The Hymnal 1982 - #121*

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized,     God's Spi - rit on you came,  
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son,     called you his ser - vant true,  
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death     you then o - beyed his call  
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord,     your cross on us be signed,



as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.  
 sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.  
 free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.  
 that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

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## The Prayers of the People

*(Our Lenten Prayers come from “One Thousand Days of Love”  
 sponsored by Episcopal Relief & Development)*

Let us pray for the life of the world...

### *Silence*

For our loved ones ... those whom we know and hold in our hearts, and all of your children, dear God, who are unknown to us but always known to you. Help us keep the needs of all, especially the youngest amongst us, in our prayers. Bond us through your love and inspire us to action alongside the voiceless. God of love,

*All      **Receive our prayer.***

For those who teach us... our teachers at school and church, our family at home, and in all places we learn and grow. Help us to listen and pray with patience as we learn from God and one another. God our teacher,

*All      **Receive our prayer.***

For those who lead us... give the leaders of our nations, towns, communities, and homes wisdom to serve people of all ages in love and peace. Give us all the language and intention to share your love in the world. God who guides us,

*All      **Receive our prayer.***

For the sick and poor... We pray for access that meets the needs of those who do not have enough. For nutritious food, housing, loving relationships, and all of the things that help us to thrive. God of the vulnerable,

*All      **Receive our prayer.***

For ourselves... Thanksgiving for play, for music that moves us and all of the good things you bless us with. Inspire us to dwell in the stories of

others and respond to the needs of our neighbors as you have taught us.  
God who walks with us,

*All           **Receive our prayer.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, including those on our parish prayer list:

*The Parish Prayers are listed in the Friday eBlast. Prayer requests can be sent to: [prayer@standrewseiscopal.org](mailto:prayer@standrewseiscopal.org).*

God we thank you for always being with us. Open and transform our hearts that we might connect more deeply with the needs of others and be moved to be your love and care in the world. Help us to keep courage as we learn, share, and give.

*All           **Amen.***

*The Confession of Sin is incorporated within the Litany of Penitence*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you

*All           **And also with you.***

## **Virtual Offering**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS**

#### ***For a Birthday***

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### ***For an Anniversary***

Eternal God, look with favor upon the world you have made and especially upon these couples. Give them wisdom and devotion in the ordering of their lives together, that each may be to the other a strength in need, a counselor in perplexity, a comfort in sorrow, and a companion in joy. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your

Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their life. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### Spiritual Communion

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

*All* ***Our 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.***

*Consecrated bread and wine are displayed.*

*All* ***Lord Christ, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our heart, our soul, and our mind. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.***

### The Blessing

May God bless you and keep you;  
God's face shine on you,  
And be gracious to you;  
May God's face turn towards you  
And give you peace;  
And the blessing of God almighty,  
The Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer  
Be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

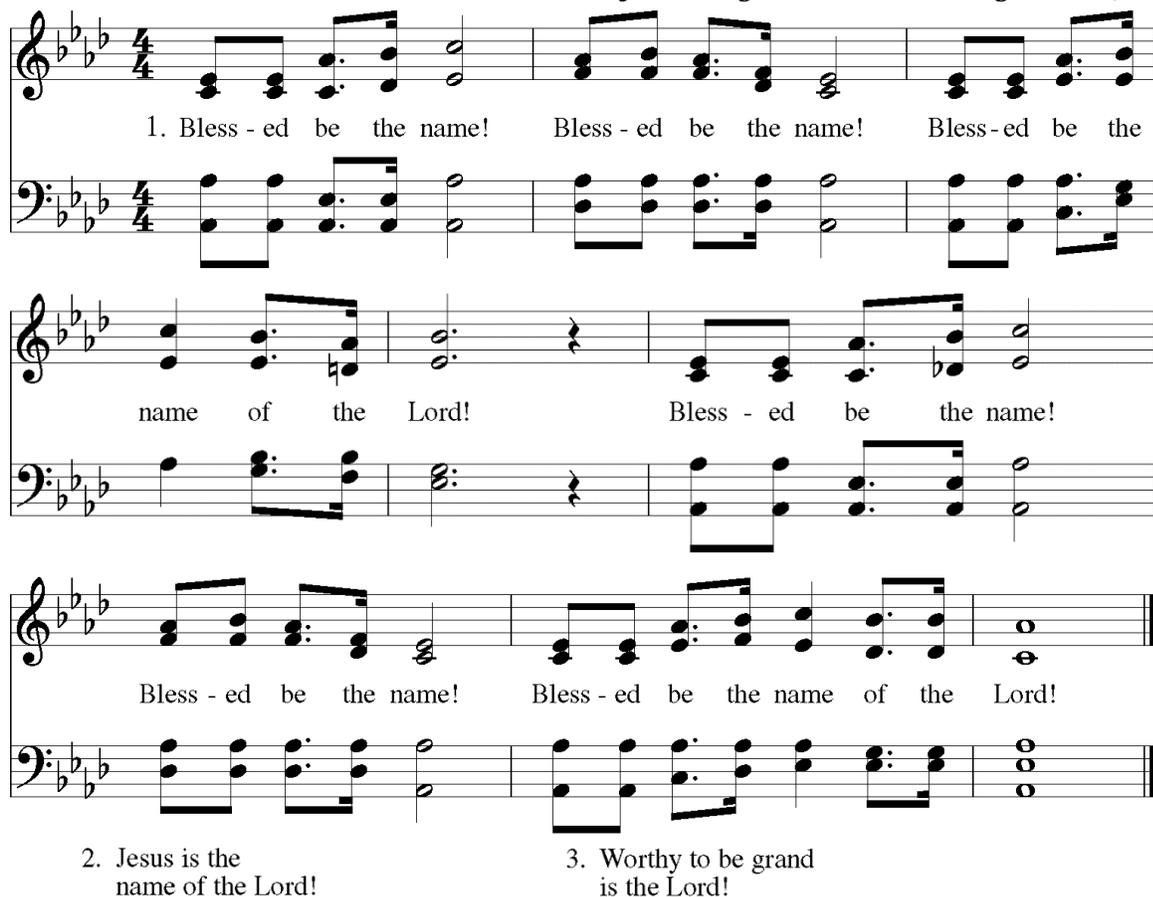
### Dismissal

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

## Closing Hymn

Blessed Be the Name

*Lift Every Voice and Sing II - #78*



1. Bless - ed be the name! Bless - ed be the name! Bless - ed be the name of the Lord! Bless - ed be the name!

2. Jesus is the name of the Lord!

3. Worthy to be grand is the Lord!

Words: Psalm 72:19

Music: Campmeeting Melody; arr. Ralph E. Hudson, 1887

Thank you to this week's Worship Teams:

The Cortez/Martin Family, *Online Readers*

Zeke Martin, Anne Cortez, Lucia and Fiona Mancuso,  
Clarke and Cosette Quentin, and Mae Bradley, *Online Lenten Intercessors*

Christine Patrizze, *Online Flowers*

Virginia Sublett, *Musician*

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