

The Second Sunday in Lent ~ March 5, 2023

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

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## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

### HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE 2

10:00 A.M., MARCH 5, 2023

Opening Hymn: #473 "Lift high the cross"

#### A Penitential Order

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People: His mercy endures for ever.*

#### The Decalogue

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Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

#### Confession of Sin

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#### Absolution

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## **Collect of the Day**

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

## **The First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a**

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.

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

## **The Psalm: 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 Second 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.

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

## **Sequence Anthem**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

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

### **The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17**

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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord ***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ***

**Sermon**

**Deacon Marge Roccoberton**

**The Nicene Creed**

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**Prayers of the People for Lent**

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and the world God so loves, for peace among all nations, and for the reconciliation of all people and all things in the Name of Christ.

Leader: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have the grace to take up our cross and follow him in your work of reconciliation in the world.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Leader: For the holy catholic church throughout the world, a sign on earth of the kingdom of God. In our Diocesan Cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Monica's, Hartford; Trinity, Hartford; St. Peter's, Hebron; St. James', Higganum; All ministries to, with, and for women and the Girl's Friendly Society

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Leader: For Michael our presiding bishop, for Jeff, and Laura our bishops in CT, for our priest Ron, for Donna and Marge our deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Leader: For our families, friends, and companions, and for all those we love. We pray for all our parish family especially those celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Darlene McDonald (3/5), & Leslie Hamilton (3/8).

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Leader: For all who are tempted, oppressed, afflicted, or in need, especially DonnaLee, Dianne Sayers, Shirley Schaeffer, Kathleen, Dan Wessman, Arthur Couch, the Amara Family; and for those in our Continuing Prayers list. We pray for the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria and the train crash in Greece. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Leader: For the dying and the dead, especially Lou Amara whose funeral was held yesterday; Pauline McCaffrey, the mother of Pastor Matt at Gilead Congregational Church; and Brian Rich.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Priest: For what else shall we pray this day?

Priest: Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered together and reconciled under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and forever.

***People: Amen.***

## **The Peace**

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you

**People: And also with you.**

## The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: #691 "My faith looks up to thee"

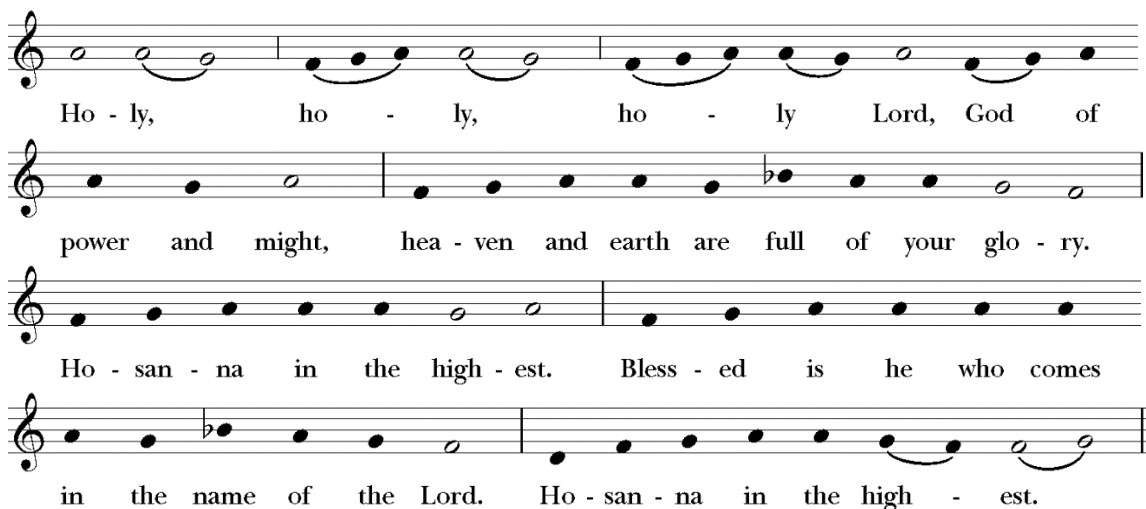
## Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

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### Sanctus - #122 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
power and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

***People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.***



## Fraction Anthem “Jesus Remember Me”

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The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of four staves. The top two staves are for a vocal line (Soprano/Alto and Tenor/Bass) and piano accompaniment. The bottom two staves are for a vocal line (Soprano/Alto and Tenor/Bass) and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom." The chords indicated above the first staff are Cm, Fm/Ab, Bb, and Eb.

Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom.

Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your kingdom.

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.

### Communion Music

### Post-Communion Prayer

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

### The Blessing

### Closing Hymn: #401 “The God of Abraham praise”

### Dismissal

*People: Thanks be to God.*

### Postlude

## Remembrances and Thanksgivings for March 5, 2023

**We pray for our clergy:** Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of CT; for our priest Ron; for our deacons Donna & Marge; and for all bishops, priests and deacons;

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer,** we pray for St. Monica's, Hartford; Trinity, Hartford; St. Peter's, Hebron; St. James', Higganum; All ministries to, with, and for women and the Girl's Friendly Society

**In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer,** we pray for all our parish family, especially those who have requested our prayers remembering especially Shirley Schaeffer, DonnaLee, Dianne Sayers, Kathleen, Dan Wessman, Arthur Couch, the Amara Family and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

**We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week:** especially Darlene McDonald (3/5), & Leslie Hamilton (3/8).

**We pray for the deceased,** remembering especially Lou Amara whose funeral was held yesterday, Pauline McCaffrey, the mother of Pastor Matt at Gilead Congregational Church, and Brian Rich. We pray for the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria and the train crash in Greece. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

## **Continuing Prayer List**

Art Engler, Ben Engler, Claire, Robert Bouchard, June Beauvais; Star, Norm, Baby Remy, Laura Beaudoin, Gail Merritt, Bill Houle, Aimee Goodrich, Cara Begin, Derek Anderson, Stephanie B., Arthur Kolanowski, Justin, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Milton Porter, Steve Dubin, Sue & Harry Denaker, Irene Jones, Peggy Cobb, Ryan, Roberto Rodegher, Marlin Corbean; Nelson Moore; Brian, Kathryn & Olivia; Joan Hamilton, Caroline, Ron Lamp, Louis Schluntz; Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Jeannette Farren & Family; Noel, Daryl, Scott Goodrich, Ella & Nicole, Tom Robbins & Ti; Patricia Angelou.

## **Coming Events**

**Polish Dinner: Saturday, March 11, 4:30-6:30**

**Concert: Contemporary Ukrainian Composers: Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 7:00 p.m.**

**Gilead Congregational Church: Craft Fair, March 18<sup>th</sup> 10-4 p.m.**

**Community Seder Meal, Thursday, March 30, 5:30 p.m.**

## **On Going Activities**

- Balance Class: Mondays 10:00 a.m. \$5 per session.
- Cub Scouts: 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays 5:30-7 p.m.
- The Fellowship Café: Tuesdays 10:00 – 2:00 p.m.
- Boy Scouts: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
- Buildings & Grounds: first Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Vestry: Third Thursdays, 7 p.m.
- BNI (Business Networking International): Fridays, 7:30-8:30 a.m.

# Hebron Community Passover Seder Meal



Thursday, March 30, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.  
Phelps Hall, St. Peter's Church  
30 Church Street, Hebron, CT

Experience the rich Jewish holiday of Passover. A traditional Seder using a Haggadah ceremony emphasizing social justice.

Supper will feature roasted chicken and vegetables. Reservations are required. Email: [office@stpetershebron.com](mailto:office@stpetershebron.com); or call 860-228-3244 to reserve your place.

The meal is free but donations are accepted to cover expenses. Additional proceeds will benefit the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) of CT.

Hosted by: United Brethren of Hebron Synagogue

Cosponsored by: Church of the Holy Family Catholic Church, Gilead Congregational Church, St. Peter's Episcopal Church