



## February 18, 2018: The First Sunday in Lent at 10:30am

**Entrance**

*Forty Days and Forty Nights*

**Hymnal 150**

**Offertory Anthem**

*Litany to the Holy Spirit*

**Peter Hurford**

*In the hour of my distress, when temptations me oppress,  
And when I my sins confess, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!*

*When I lie within my bed, sick in heart and sick in head,  
And with doubts discomforted, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!*

*When the house doth sigh and weep, and the world is drown'd in sleep,  
Yet mine eyes the watch do keep. Sweet Spirit, comfort me!*

**Communion Hymns**

*Shall We Gather at the River?*

**LEVAS 141**

*Come Down O Love Divine*

**Hymnal 516**

**Exit**

*O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High*

**Hymnal 448**

**Postlude**

*Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*

**C.P.E. Bach**

### **The Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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.**

**1st Lesson** *Please be seated*

**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.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 25:1-9** *All sing the refrain after the choir, and where indicated.*



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

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

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

Gracious and upright is the Lord;  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.  
He guides the humble in doing right  
and teaches his way to the lowly.  
All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. **Refrain.**

## 2nd Lesson

1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Holy Gospel *please stand*

Mark 9:2-9

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Worship Leaders

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Mike Angell
Deacon	The Rev. Chester Hines
Lectors	Alisa Williams, Cecily Hawksworth
Intercessor	Ellis Anderson
Crucifer	Joe Adams
Chalice	Mary Haggerty
Acolytes	Chloe Olliff, Clara Olliff
Greeters/Ushers	Colleen Haggerty, Susan Norris
Children's Chapel Leader	Heidi Olliff

## Announcements

**Adult Forum – Next Sunday:** Join us to explore the music of Johann Sebastian Bach, a composer known for his deep engagement with religion and spirituality. Eliana Haig and Alex Stefaniak will talk about how music and performance convey spiritual meaning, and how history and culture can transform this meaning.

**Contemplative Prayer During Lent – Wednesdays:** (6:00pm, in the chapel) Join us on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in the Holy Communion Chapel (enter through the main door, and come through the church to the chapel) for Contemplative Prayer. Each week we'll explore various prayer practices from Silent Centering Prayer to the Stations of the Cross. The evening prayers will finish by 6:30pm, and we will gather for a simple soup supper.

**Laundry Love – Tuesday, February 20:** (6:30pm) Our volunteers take over Classic Coin Laundry (7200 Balson Ave., U City) If you'd like to volunteer, please come at 6:00pm for volunteer orientation. Read more and sign up at [www.holycommunion.net](http://www.holycommunion.net).

**Pilgrimage, February 24 & March 24** (10:00am -2:00pm) Are you new to Holy Communion? To the Episcopal Church? To Christianity? Are you just looking to know more about the tradition? Join us for Pilgrimage, our course exploring themes in Christian thought and practice through the Episcopal tradition. This class is especially suited for newcomers, but it is open to all who are exploring. Lunch will be served; RSVP to the parish office (314-721-7401 or [office@holycommunion.net](mailto:office@holycommunion.net)). Look for a flyer with more details about the class structure posted in the Narthex.

**Godly Play on Sunday mornings!** (9:15am) Children are invited to head downstairs at 9:15 for our Montessori-based Christian formation program. Registration is not required. For info email Heidi Olliff: [hmolliff@holycommunion.net](mailto:hmolliff@holycommunion.net).

**Sunday Morning Breakfast** Today Our dedicated Breakfast hosts will serve a delicious, hot breakfast in Mitchell Parish Hall from 9:00 until 9:15. A suggested donation of \$2 per person will be gratefully received, except for visitors or newcomers whom we welcome as our guests. **Breakfast hosts are needed for March, April, and May. Sign-up to host a breakfast using the sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex.** Contact Bob Niedringhaus and Ron Bullock at (314) 569-0971.