

ROOTED IN FAITH · GROWING IN HOPE · REACHING OUT IN LOVE

Sunday, February 25, 2024 – Second Sunday of Lent Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

SERVICE NOTES: We are glad you have joined us! **If you are online**: We have posted a hymn insert, which also has other helpful information about attending online. **If you are in person**: The hymns can be found in the hymn book in the pew rack in front of you, with some of the service music printed within the text. Masks are optional at this time, but we want everyone to take whatever precautions they deem appropriate. We encourage you to sing and pray actively. Thank you and welcome!

PRELUDE "Ciacona in F minor"

J. Pachelbel

The ministers enter in silence.

OPENING ACCLAMATION *Please stand, as you are able.*

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People His mercy endures for ever.

THE DECALOGUE

Presider Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of

bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider Honor your father and your mother.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not commit murder.
People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not commit adultery.
People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not steal.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not be a false witness.
People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may follow.

Presider and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

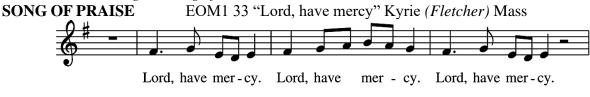
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Presider stands and says

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

All are invited to sing the Song of Praise.







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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray. 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.**

FIRST READING Please be seated for the readings.

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

A reading from the book of Genesis.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will

make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Please join in reading Psalm 22.

- 22 May all who hear you, O God, give praise; * may the offspring of Israel stand in awe and all of Jacob's line give glory.
- 23 For you do not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither do you hide your face from them; * but when they cry to you, you hear them.
- 24 My praise is of you in the great assembly; *
 I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek you shall praise you: * "May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to you, * and all the families of the nations shall bow before you.
- 27 For yours is the royal power, O God; * vou rule over the nations.
- 28 To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; * all who go down to the dust fall before you.
- 29 My soul shall live for you; my descendants shall serve you; * they shall be known as yours for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn * the saving deeds that you have done.

SECOND READING Romans 4:13-25

A reading from the letter to the Romans.

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. Hoping against hope, he

believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN Shaker Tune

Choir: Oh, the beautiful treasure laid up for the wise; how precious the value, how glorious the prize.

All: Oh, the beautiful treasure laid up for the wise; how precious the value, how glorious the prize.

Choir: Far brighter than diamonds, the Word of God shines down to enlighten the path we trod.

All: Oh, the beautiful treasure laid up for the wise; how precious the value, how glorious the prize.

GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

THE SERMON *Silence is kept after the sermon.*

THE CREED *Please stand, as you are able.*

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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 The Leader and the People pray responsively.

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Leader Creator Lord, you have given us eyes to see ourselves as we truly are and the heart to accept your free gift of grace. Fill us now with the courage to step forward in faith, to repent of our sins, and to turn the life we have been given to your guidance and your service.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,

People We now confess and begin again.

Leader Creator Lord, impel the political leaders in our world, in our nation, and in our community, to rally to your call and forsake the temptations and vanity of power, and to govern with integrity, equity, and truth.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,

People We now confess and begin again.

Leader Creator Lord, fortify and energize all who are anointed to bring us your Word and Sacraments. As they shepherd us in faith, we walk together toward wholeness in you. We pray especially for our Bishop Megan, our Rector Pamela, our clergy, our staff, and all the lay leaders of this church.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,

People We now confess and begin again.

Leader Creator Lord, sustain the faith and dispel the despair of all who are ill in body, mind, or spirit, and of all who attend to their needs. We now join our voices to pray aloud for all those in need, and especially those on our parish prayer list.

(The deacon will share prayer requests and then invite the congregation to add their prayer requests).

Leader O God of mercy,

People We now confess and begin again.

Leader Creator Lord, lift us from our grief into the hope of eternal life and joy, reunited with all who now live again in glory with you.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,

People We now confess and begin again.

Presider O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord with sensitivity to those who wish to maintain physical distance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the announcement insert, and feel free to take this bulletin home with you. If you do not currently receive an email from us with current news and events, please reach out to info@churchofstmartin.org.

CELEBRATIONS AND MILESTONES All may join in praying.

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 hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY NOTES

The ushers will pass collection plates. Online giving is also available; just look for the blue "GIVE" button on our website or the QR code near the back of this bulletin, or contact the office for more information. We are very grateful to those who have pledged and who give regularly, as well as for all plate offerings.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Presider Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Kyrie," from World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass, Carol Barnett Sung by the Choir

Mercy! Oh, Kyrie! Have mercy! Oh, Christe! Mercy!

Oh mercy; eleison, eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison, have mercy on creation.

Christe eleison, have mercy on our souls.

Mercy, mercy, mercy!

OFFERTORY RESPONSE (Franconia)

Please join in singing

We give thee but thine own, / Whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, / A trust, O God, from thee. —William Walsham Howe

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Please stand, as you are able, for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

Presider The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the

planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory,

reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed

your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your

righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill

your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

The Presider continues

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS Please join in saying

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The People stand or kneel. The Presider continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

Presider and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Presider continues

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers:

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Sarah, Rebecca, and Leah;

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion

make us one body, one spirit in Christ,

that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Presider and People

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

The Presider continues

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, (first in Spanish and then in English,) People and Presider

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas,

como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.

Amen.

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 forever.

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ABOUT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table, children included. Gluten-free Communion hosts are available; please ask. Come forward down the center aisle for Communion. Choose the station on the left for intinction by the priest or the station on the right to drink from the common cup. The customary response upon receiving Communion is "Amen." Crossing your arms over your chest indicates you would like a blessing instead of Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC H 328 "Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord" (Song 46)

In the Hymnal
In the Hymnal

H 707 "Take my life and let it be" (Hollingside)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider 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 Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING *The Presider offers a blessing and the People respond Amen.*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

CLOSING HYMN H 675 "Take up your cross" (*Bourbon*)

In the Hymnal

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

The People depart in silence.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

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PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

8AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE, 9-10AM DONKEY VISIT

10AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE*



MAUNDY THURSDAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 28
7PM WORSHIP SERVICE WITH COMMUNION* AND OPTIONAL FOOT WASHING



GOOD FRIDAY

FRIDAY, MARCH 29
12PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS SERVICE
7PM GOOD FRIDAY PROPER LITURGY*



HOLY SATURDAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 30
8PM GREAT VIGIL WORSHIP SERVICE*



EASTER SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

8AM & 10AM* CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

EGG HUNT AFTER 10AM SERVICE

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