ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

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The Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector



Fifth Sunday in Lent Rite I March 21, 2021 8:00 a.m. Service

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The Word of God

The People standing the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord have mercy upon us. *Christ have mercy upon us.* Lord have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The celebrant says the Collect.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons (The people sit)

First Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 51:1-13

Miserere mei, Deus

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; * in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, * and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned * and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, * and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins * and blot out all my iniquities.

- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence * and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again * and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

The Gospel: John 12:20-33

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory be to thee, O Lord

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice

came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer

The Nicene Creed

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 (The People kneel)

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [especially], that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [especially], that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [and] all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8, 9

Confession of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says the absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace (All stand)

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **People And with thy spirit.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and **People**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make;

having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.

The Communion Table of the Episcopal Church is open to all baptized Christians. In the understanding of the Episcopal Church it is truly the Lord's Table, and not the property of any single denomination. Those of you who are here to share the service this morning are welcome to that table at the Lord's invitation...

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Priest gives the blessing

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world,

Rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Serving the Liturgy

The Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector

Reader

Mark Jakiel

Ushers

Karen Grant and Bev Achey

Altar Guild

Bev Hess and Gail Irons

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of England

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Luke's, Mechanicsburg

We pray for Christians, Muslims, and Jews and all people of faith throughout the world who are suffering persecution for their beliefs.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Tony and Dina Cerase; Fred Cluck and Nancy Mannion; Geraldine Cosgrave; Carl and Carol Cotnoir

Our Lenten Altar Arrangements were given by the good people of St. Edward's.

Praying for those we love and who are important in our lives is an essential component of our worship, but many of the names listed and read out in the Prayers of the People are known only to those who have requested them, and the list grows each week. So, when we come to the Prayers of the people in the service, the names for those "You are asked to pray for" and those "for our military personnel" will not be read aloud; rather we invite you to lift those names up to God in Christ silently in your heart as we pray the Prayers of the People, adding any others you wish to pray for.

You are asked to pray for: Rayelenn Casey, Emily and Elizabeth Casey and the Casey family; The Rev. Dr. Rick Bauer and family; Karen Grant; Matthew and Libby Sternberg; Mary Snyder; Jodi Good; Amy, Bill, Reed and Cole Swiernik; Joe Holwager; Arch Cross; Mary Walker; Liz Yeager; Patricia Stout; Mimi Stauffer; Robert Hubbard; Tom Joerger; Donna J. Mott; Charlotte Jakiel; Dakota Patrone; DJ Dixon; Robert; Dorothy Diehl; Barbara Bradfield; Fran Davis; Heather; Cheryl Shearer; Myra Taylor; Sally Mears; Barry Leed; Dr. Randy Cohen and Family; Aaron Rowe, Sr.; Dorothy Rowe; Dr. Karl and Carolyn Moyer; James Pentland Moore; Rick Welk; Max Lown; Aiden Guillory; Winnie Sternberg and her family; Paul Gomez; Jillian; Adelaide L. Petersen; Dorothy Johnson; Annette Green; Stanley Jakiel; John Holena; Joe Holena; Carrie; Larry Haffey; Janine Holena; Ted Fitzgerald; Peter Kelly; Cindy and Ken; Teresa Kennedy; the family of Julie Sandblade – Elle, Dustin, and Robby; Amy Diehl; Jim Gayenski; Ken and Kim Berkich; Richard Burgess; Connie Mathias: Bill Gilbert; all prisoners who are on lockdown due to COVID19

You are asked to pray for our military personnel who are being deployed or serving in the military: Rev. David J. Sparks; Evan Westgate; David Peck; David Sternberg; John Lewis; Gordon Frankenfield; Allison Tomich; Mike Spurr; Seamas Whitesel; Capt. Andrew Pfeiffer; 1st Lt. Thomas Whitesel; Brandon Fox; Alex Kube; Richard Mutari; Dustin Burleson; Anthony Koser; Jack Hawk; Christina Dragon; Justin Carnahan; Clayton Tennies; Benjamin Jenkins; Andy Lopez

Welcome Visitors and Newcomers!

The community of St. Edward's is glad you are worshipping with us this morning, via our live stream. If you would like more information about the ministry of St. Edward's, please contact our parish office or visit our web site: sainteds.org

WELCOME TO ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Joy in the Lord as Companions in Christ"

The Rt. Reverend Audrey Cady Scanlan, DMin Bishop of Central Pennsylvania The Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector Michelle Bentley, Parish Administrative Assistant Karen E. Waddill, Organist & Pianist Patrick Ishler, Choir Director

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:15 a.m. service live streamed on YouTube Live – St. Edward's channel

In-person Worship

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist: Rite I ~ lo:15 a.m. - Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Temporarily suspended due to Covid19 mandates

10:40 a.m. Christian Education ages pre-K/K – Grade 12 Nursery is available up to age 4

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

12:00 p.m. – Contemplative Eucharist with meditation & healing prayer

FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER

7:00 p.m.: Join us on Zoom – led by Patrick Ishler <u>https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86327105082</u> Join Code: 863 2710 5082

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Weekly Parish Announcements Fifth Sunday in Lent

Early Christians observed "a season of penitence and fasting" in preparation for the Paschal feast, or Pascha. The season now known as Lent has a long history. The forty-day fast was especially important for converts to the faith who were preparing for baptism, and for those guilty of notorious sins who were being restored to the Christian assembly. In the western church the forty days of Lent extend from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, omitting Sundays. The last three days of Lent are the sacred Triduum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. All Christians are invited "to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word" (BCP, p. 265).

To read the entire passage regarding Lent, go to: episcopalchurch.org/glossary/lent

Please pay special attention to our weekly email messages next week as there will be important information regarding Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter services. We will not be having Sunday Zoom coffee hour, but please stay tuned for exciting NEW offerings of fellowship happening after Easter Sunday.



Find out what our Faith in Action Ministry is all about! All interested people are invited to attend a Zoom meeting on Tuesday, March 23rd at 6:00 PM. Join Zoom Meeting https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87948321029?pwd=NUtmcjRSWjV6WW9WYUtlUHRiZTdDZ 2009

Meeting ID: 879 4832 1029

Passcode: 466682

Please continue your support of the **Hempfield Area Food Pantry**. Let us continue our tradition of generosity for those less fortunate than ourselves. The following is a list of food items needed for March: Large peanut butter; Large jelly; Canned corn; Canned carrots; Canned mixed vegetables; Mac and cheese; 2-pound package of dried pinto beans

Soles 4 Souls: St. Edward's, with Saint John's of Lancaster will collect shoes through Palm Sunday, and we invite parishioners to donate used shoes. The shoes can be lightly used to falling apart. Collection boxes will be placed in the sanctuary. Please tie any laced shoes together and rubber band other types. There is also a need for shipping boxes approximately the size of an office paper box. Any questions can be directed to our FIA ministry members: Lynch's, Milligan's, Ishler's, Peg Reiley, or Leslie Arnold.

St. Edward's is offering a full complement of Adult Spiritual Formation which continues through Lent! Please check your weekly emails which will have all the study details & Zoom invitation details.

Bible Study: Wednesday Evenings from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: For questions, please contact Bob Mosebach at remosebach@comcast.net or Leslie Arnold at larnold897@aol.com.

Lunch & Learn: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices: Fridays from 12 Noon – 1 PM led by Bob Mosebach

The Way of the Cross: Go to our St. Edward's YouTube Channel to view our Stations of the Cross, each week, as a Lenten discipline. You will find the pre-recorded offering and a Way of the Cross pdf to download.

Friday Evening Prayer: Each Friday at 7:00 PM hosted by Patrick and Dina Ishler

Sunday Evening Prayer: Each Sunday at 7:00 PM. Anyone interested can send Br. David Rutledge an email to be put on an email distribution list: drutledge1225@gmail.com

Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/95355083080 Meeting ID: 953 5508 3080