



**WELCOME TO
EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH
GRASS VALLEY, CALIFORNIA**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 30, 2025

Readings:

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm 32

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Hymns (Blue Hymnal):

Sequence: #686 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Communion: #693 "Just As I Am" #620 "Jerusalem, My Happy Home", #343
"Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless"

Recessional: #690 "Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Celebrant: The Rev. Seth Kellermann

Sermon: The Rev. Seth Kellermann

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

[As you enter the church this morning please take an opportunity to prepare your heart through prayer. All Hymns may be found in the blue Hymnal in front of your pew.]

The Word of God

The Penitential Order

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: His mercy endureth for ever.

The Decalogue

Celebrant: God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Honor thy father and thy mother.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Thou shalt do no murder.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Thou shalt not steal.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Thou shalt not covet.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Celebrant: Seeing that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14, 16

The Confession of Sin

Deacon or Celebrant:

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

[Celebrant and People:]

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,

**we have followed too much the devices and desires of our
own hearts,**

we have offended against thy holy laws,

**we have left undone those things which we ought to
have done,**

**and we have done those things which we ought not to
have done.**

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,

spare thou those who confess their faults,

restore thou those who are penitent,

according to thy promises declared unto mankind

in Christ Jesus our Lord;

and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,

that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,

to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

[The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says]

Celebrant: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

[A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying]

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

Kyrie [*Lord have mercy*]

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Lessons

[The people sit.]

The First Lesson

Reader: A Reading from the book of Joshua.

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land,

unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 32 Beati quorum

- ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- ² Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- ³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- ⁴ For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- ⁶ I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- ⁷ Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
* when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- ⁸ You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- ⁹ "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- ¹⁰ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."
- ¹¹ Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- ¹² Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

The Second Lesson

Reader: A Reading from Second Corinthians.

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

[All stand. Hymn #686, Blue Hymnal, is sung.]

[The Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying.]

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything,

a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

[After the Gospel, the Reader says]

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

[The Deacon or Celebrant bids the proclamation of 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.**

[All stand]

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

[The Peace is designed to flow out of that forgiven state and is to be a time in which we are reconciled to one another before we move into Communion (see Matthew 5:23-24). The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord. Then follow announcements, and blessings for birthdays and anniversaries.]

The Holy Communion

[During the Offertory, a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.]

[The Offertory is a time in which we remember all that the Lord has done for us and we respond by giving back to Him some of that blessing. We are called to give of our Time, Talents, and Treasure. The Offertory is a time to give a tangible gift to God from our Treasure. Where do I start? How much is enough? Take some time to ask God. The Biblical standard is 10%, but Jesus challenges us to offer everything. What is God calling you to today? The most important thing is to give with joy, not out of compulsion.]

[All stand.]

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
 him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye
 heaven-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer I

[The people remain standing.]

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift 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.**

Celebrant: 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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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

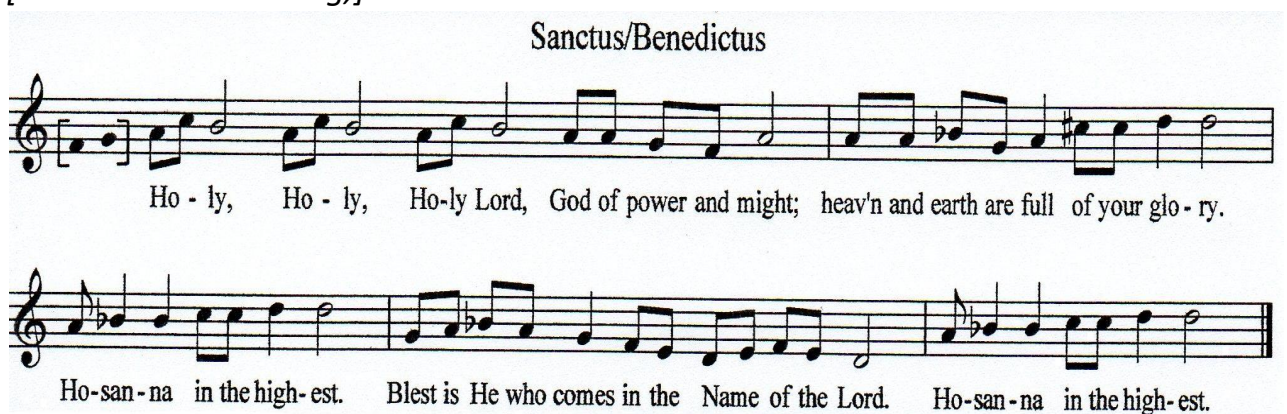
Celebrant and People:

[At 8:00 a.m. we say,]

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.

[At 10:00 a.m. we sing,]

Sanctus/Benedictus



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho-ly Lord, God of power and might; heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho-san - na in the high-est. Blest is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high-est.

[The people kneel or stand as able.]

Celebrant: All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of 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.

[This section closely follows the account of the Last Supper and quotes the words of Jesus from the Bible.]

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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 ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, 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, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, 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; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with 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 together:]

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

[The Celebrant breaks the bread, at 8:00 we say,]

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

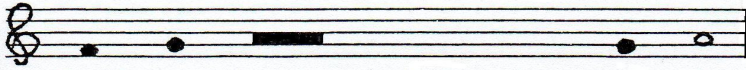
**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**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.**

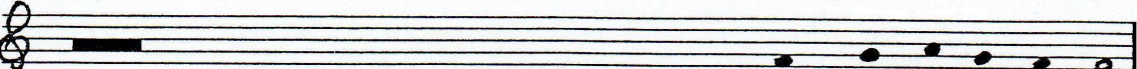
[At 10:00 the Cantor or choir sings,]

Cantor



Rend your hearts and not your garments.

All



Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious & merciful.

Celebrant: Let us pray

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. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. 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.

[Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation]

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.

[All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. If you are not a baptized Christian please come forward to receive a blessing, to receive a blessing simply cross your arms across your chest. If this is your first time to receive communion kneel at the altar rail and hold your hands out and bread will be put in them, please assist the ministers as they seek to give you wine. If you would like to be baptized, please speak to Fr. Seth after church]

*[At 8:00 and 10:00 During the Communion, the following may be sung:
#693, #620, #343]*

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

[Celebrant and People together:]

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.

Celebrant: 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

[All stand: Hymn #690]

The Dismissal

Deacon/Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

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