The First Lesson Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The Psalm

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

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- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- You shall tread upon the lion and adder; you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

- Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.

Said together:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Lesson Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Hymn At the Name of Jesus H 435



Gospel Lesson

Luke 4:1-13

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.""

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' And 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test." When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed BCP 327

Written about 325 AD, this is the ancient statement of our faith

Prayers of the People

BCP 328

We pray together as the people of God

Confession & Absolution

BCP 331

We confess our sins and are reassured of our pardon

The Peace

We share the joy of the Good News!



The Liturgy of the Eucharist, sometimes called the Mass

<u>Offertory</u>

In God, My Faithful God

Schalk

Presentation of Gifts and Tithes

O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, to thee be every prayer addressed, who art in three-fold Name adored, from age to age, the only Lord

from H 143, v. 5

Eucharistic Prayer "I"

BCP 333

-Sanctus -The Lord's Prayer Words in BCP, Musical Setting H-S 113
Traditional version, found on BCP 336

-Agnus Dei

H-S 157

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

-The Prayer of Humble Access

BCP 337

The Distribution of the Holy Sacrament

All baptized Christians, of any tradition, are welcome to receive the sacrament. It is the tradition of this parish that 12 to 14 people at a time receive Communion at the altar rail, at which point all are dismissed together to return to their seats, and another group may move forward to the rail. Gluten free wafers are available to those who request them.

Communion Hymns

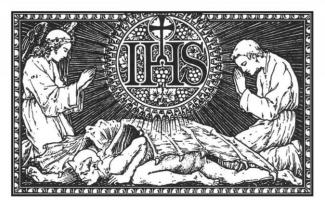
| Bread of the world in mercy broken | H 301 |
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| Christ, when for us you were baptized | H 121 |
| Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless | H 343 |

BCP 339 Our Prayer after Communion

Hymn In Christ there is no East or West H 529

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. Officiant: Thanks be to God. People:



Following our service will be Coffee Hour, hosted today by Betty Nash and Charlie Blevins. This is a time for us to have fellowship, share our joys and sorrows, and get to know one another. It is very much an extension of the communal feast we share in the Holy Eucharist. Please join us!

Participants in Today's Liturgy

| <u>Acolyte</u> s | Teresa Paine | \mathbf{N} | Iacon Clement |
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| <u>Lectors</u> | Linda Ammar | | Becky Beckett |
| Chalicists | Teresa Paine | | Becky Beckett |
| Altar Guild | Becky Beckett, | Patty Richardson, | Stacy Thomas |

Last Sunday Attendance

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Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Dorene Dimes, Wanda Myers, Bonnie Taylor, Joe Sanders, Marlene, Lee Puckett, Sr., Alex B., Toni R., Jared Cregger, Kerrigan Farmer, Lindsey Parsley, Daisy Bowman, Ellie

Spencer, Mabeline & Elton Robinson, Ann Richardson, Sherry Mitchell, Carrie D., Sharon Cranfill, George Strike, Levertt T., Bea Paine, Frankie Sparks, Audrey, Denny Arner, Charlotte Woolwine, Lynn Burney, Bob Waschler, Elizabeth Kane, Marilyn Denney, Judy Anderson, Debbie Wells, Paul Anderson, Ruby, Debbie & Jerry, Ed Arnett, Michelle Parks

Calendar of Events

Tuesday – March 12 Feed Wade Center Group 12:20pm Wednesday – March 13 Lenten Lunch at First Presbyterian 11:45am Dinner at Union Mission 3pm Evening Prayer and Pot Luck Dinner 6pm Sunday – March 17 Food Pantry bagging groceries after church Tuesday – March 19 DOK meeting 10:30am Wednesday – March 20 Men's Dinner 6pm Vestry Meeting 7pm Food Pantry 9-11am Thursday – 21 Wednesday – 27 Union Mission Dinner Preparation 4:30pm

Announcements:

Building and Grounds Committee: If you are interested in the care and preservation of our beautiful property please consider volunteering for this important committee. A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex.

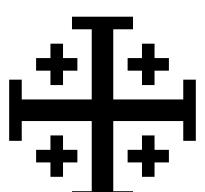
Lent Madness!: Are you ready to have so much fun in Lent you should feel bad about it? Learn about the saints and the whims of a popularity contest as we vote for our favorites until only one is left. Who will win the Golden Halo this year? Pick up your materials in the Narthex!

Food Pantry: The Food Pantry will be collecting socks for our friends in need this month. Donations of socks may be made in the basket located in the narthex

Wade Center Youth Group: Christ Church has been asked to provide lunch on Tuesday, March 12, for a group of college young people from Pennsylvania that will be working at the Wade Center next week. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex of items that will be needed for the lunch. Contact Mary Catherine Williams if you have any questions.

Clergy, Staff, and Wardens of this Parish

The Rev. Chad Slater Rector Ms. Emma Bennett Parish Administrator Mr. Terry E. Whittington, Jr. Organist & Choirmaster Mrs. Vanessa Hall Sexton Mrs. Becky Beckett Senior Warden Mr. Tom Coughlan **Junior Warden**



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March 10, 2019 The First Sunday in Lent

Welcome to this Place of Prayer

If you are new or visiting this congregation for the first time we invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card (found on the rack in front of you) and place it in the collect plate as it is passed. We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today and hope that you will continue your faith journey here.

This bulletin will help guide you through today's service. The abbreviation "H" stands for "Hymnal." This is the larger red book located on the shelf in front of you. That music noted as "H-S" followed by a number is service music, and is found in the very first pages of the Hymnal. "BCP" is our abbreviation for "Book of Common Prayer," which is the smaller red book.

About our worship in Lent: During this holy season we will make use of some of the more traditional practices of the church. This will include the use of Rite I—the Elizabethan liturgy—and the reorientation of our space, ad orientem—where both the clergy and the congregation face the same direction during worship. It is our hope that this change will allow us to reflect on our own preferences and meaning behind them.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Great Litany (Please stand)

BCP 148

The Litany will be led by the Choir. Musical settings for the responses can be found at H-S 67 The musical setting for the Kyrie can be found at H-S 90

The Collect

Our collective prayer for the day.

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.