The Chapel of the **Good Shepherd** ST. JOHN'S **LAFAYETTE**

The Second Sunday in Lent 05 March 2023



MORNING PRAYER

Voluntary My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Mark Jones

Hymn The God of Abraham Praise

Leoni

The Opening Sentences

The officiant begins the service with one or more of the following

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. - I John 1:8, 9

Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.

-Joel 2:13

Jesus said, "If anyone will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

-Mark 8:34

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

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.

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.**

The Preces

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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

Deus, Deus meusPsalm 63:1-8

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *

my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,

as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *

that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *

my lips shall give you praise. So will I bless you as long as I live *

and lift up my hands in your Name.

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *

and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

When I remember you upon my bed, *

and meditate on you in the night watches.

For you have been my helper, *

and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

My soul clings to you; *

your right hand holds me fast.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

Psalm 121

1. I lift up my eyes to the hills;

from where is my help to come?

2. My help comes from the Lord,

the maker of heaven and earth.

3. He will not let your foot be moved

and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

4. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel

shall neither slumber nor sleep;

5. The Lord himself watches over you;

the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

6. So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

7. The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;

it is he who shall keep you safe.

8. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

The First Lesson Genesis 12:1-4a

Reader A reading from Genesis.

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Canticle The Dayspring of Life

The Work of the People

The Second Lesson Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Reader A reading from Romans.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Response Create in Me a Clean Heart

D.E. Adams

Gospel John 3:1-17

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of

Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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

The Sermon

The Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit. the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body. and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer Let us pray.

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 Prayers for the People

Litanist

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all those on our parish prayer lists and any others you name now silently or in the chat.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

The officiant concludes the prayers

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

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**.

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements & Blessings for Personal Life

The people pray together for all those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or other milestones

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 understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Lenten Prayer

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

A member of the clergy dismisses the people and the people respond

Thanks be to God.

The officiant concludes with one of the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** -2 Corinthians 13:14

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

-Ephesians 3:20,21

Hymn Take up your cross, the Savior said

Bourbon

Voluntary *Little Prelude in D Minor*

J.S. Bach

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Living Compass Lent Guide Available

The 2023 Living Compass Lenten Guide *Living Well through Lent* is now available to pick up at St. John's. This daily devotional provides a foundation for seeking a deeper experience of Lent, an experience that will help prepare us for the true meaning of Easter. It includes contributions from our own Bishop Jennifer.

Lenten Home Eucharists

St. John's will be having potluck meals and home Eucharists on Wednesdays in March (8, 22, 29) from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share.

- Wednesday, March 8 Host: Becky & Brien Dick—15 Flowermound Dr. West Lafayette
- Wednesday, March 22 Host: Cindy Gerlach and Gary Mueller-520 S 9th Street, Lafayette
- Wednesday, March 29 Host: Robert Kurtz-1420 N 28th Street, Lafayette

Our conversations will center around Kate Bowler's Lenten devotion "Bless the Lent we Actually Have." For more information or to volunteer to host, please contact Bradley Pace at bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org.

"Bless the Lent We Actually Have" Online Lenten Formation with Chapel of the Good Shepherd Continues March 7 at 7 p.m.

During Lent, Good Shepherd will host online discussions using Kate Bowler's Lenten devotional "Bless the Lent We Actually Have." The devotional — which can be found at katebowler.com/blessthislent/ and used privately or in a group — includes scripture, discussion questions, and opportunities to reflect on our Lenten journey. Hilary Cooke will lead meetings on Tuesday nights (3/7, 3/28, 4/4, 4/11) during Lent at 7 p.m. For more information go to www.goodshep.org or contact Hilary Cooke at hilary@goodshep.org.

Discipleship Groups

Over the coming weeks, look for more information about creating and joining "Discipleship Groups" at St. John's. Groups will focus on the core practices of the Christian tradition and commit to meeting "for a season" (a set number of meetings or period of time). While there is a process and a framework, groups can meet in any number of ways (weekly, monthly/via Zoom or in-person, etc.) and focus their energy as will be most helpful for them. If this is not a good time for you, but you are interested, don't worry. Discipleship Groups will be an on-going part of our community's way of being—an on-going part of discerning where God is at work in our lives and in the world and how to join God in that work. In the meantime, if you are interested, please reach out to Bradley at bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org for more information.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

St. John's Cycle of Prayer

Lillian Brooks, Kathryn Brownell and her children Lillian & Jacqueline, Tom Brush & Whitney Walton and their daughter Sarah, Heather Bungard-Janney, Anna Burman, Mary Ann Burns

Parish Prayer List

Pam Ogorzaly, Roy Meeks, Kathie Basden, Dean Hunter, Carolyn Speer, Alyce Dressler, Camp & Comfort Gordinier, Rose Marie Goonewardene, Janet Huber, Barbara Hess, Debby Lindenlaub, Carol Helgerman, Douglas Campbell, Ginny Hull, Jean Redd, Paul Lawson, Barbara Cantwell, Pequita Behrndt, John Howland, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Sally Byrn, Jim Bodenmiller, Sue Eichhorn, Peggy, Noah, Roz, John, Loagan, Kristine, Bunny, Chris, Josh, Mark, Barb, Jim, Elise, Mike, Judy, Maddie, Ben, Molly, Alice, Monica, Fred, Brad, Jenny, John & Martie, Jack, Emily and Justin, Teressa & Steve, Bess, Gerry, Rhianna, Rosemary, Ben, and their families.

For the people of Syria and Turkey and the people of Israel and Palestine. For peace in all places of conflict, for the victims of violence, and for repair, understanding, and healing across our nation and in our community.

For those who have died

For all who have died including Cathy, Harold, and those buried in the St. John's Memorial Garden

The leaders of our Communion

Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian

The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff Eva, Michael, & Teresa Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

Our Ministry Partners

The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio The Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Church of the Province of South East Asia

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Paul's, Evansville

This nation and all in authority

Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and John, our mayors



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