



**The First Sunday in Lent**  
**18 February 2024**  
**10:15 a.m.**

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**Voluntary** *Prelude in F Minor, BWV 534*

J.S. Bach

*Please stand as you are able for*

**The Great Litany**

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,

**Have mercy on us.**

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

**Have mercy on us.**

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

**Have mercy on us.**

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,

**Have mercy on us.**

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us boldness to preach the Gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Enlighten your bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael our Presiding Bishop; Jennifer our Bishop; and Bradley and Jason, our clergy with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Strengthen those who stand, comfort and help the fainthearted, raise up the fallen, and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give your wisdom and strength to Joe, the President of the United States, to Eric the Governor of this state, and to Tony and Erin the mayors of these cities that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, those who serve in our state legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Bless the justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Bless and keep all your people,

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Show your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One,

**Have mercy on us.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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.**

### **The First Reading**

Genesis 9:8-17

*Reader* A reading from Genesis.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

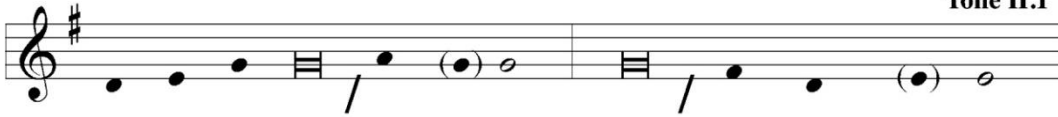
*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 25:1-9**

*The psalm is sung by the congregation.*

**Tone II.1**



1. To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, put my / trust in you;  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph / over me.
2. Let none who look to you be put to / shame;  
let the treacherous be disappointed / in their schemes.
3. Show me your / ways, O Lord,  
and teach / me your paths.
4. Lead me in your truth and / teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted / all the day long.
5. Remember, O Lord, your compassion and / love,  
for they are from / everlasting.
6. Remember not the sins of my youth and my trans-/gressions;  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your good-/ness, O Lord.
7. Gracious and upright is the / Lord;  
therefore he teaches sinners / in his way.
8. He guides the humble in / doing right  
and teaches his way / to the lowly.
9. All the paths of the Lord are love and / faithfulness  
to those who keep his covenant and his / testimonies.

**The Second Reading**

1 Peter 3:18-22

*Reader* A reading from First Peter.

Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 605**

*Sharpthorne*

## **The Gospel**

Mark 1:9-15

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*A brief silence follows.*

## **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: 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 and the Son, 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.**

## **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another in the name of Christ.*

## **Announcements & Blessings for Personal Life**

*Those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or other milestones are invited to come forward.*

**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.**



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in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
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We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation....

... Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ....

... Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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 Agnus Dei

Musical score for 'The Agnus Dei' in G major, 3/4 time. It consists of four systems of vocal and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.'

### The Invitation & Communion of the People

*The consecrated Bread and Wine are living signs of the presence of Christ in this gathering. All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion; however, no one who comes forward will be refused. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please ask when you come forward.*

### Music during Communion

Motet *Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy's Sake*  
Hymn 150

Richard Farrant  
*Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*

## The Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Lenten Prayer

*The presider continues*

Let us kneel before the Lord.

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn 143

*Erhalt uns, Herr*

## The Dismissal

*A member of the clergy dismisses the people, and they respond*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Voluntary** *Fugue in F Minor, BWV 534*

J.S. Bach

*Our worship has ended. Our service begins.*



## Welcome

**May today's worship give you a sense of Christ's peace and inspire you to God's service.**

**We welcome the full participation of children in our worship. Activity bags** are located at the rear of the church and may help them during the liturgy. Please return the bags after the service. **We also offer nursery care during the service.** If you feel it is more comfortable for your child to be in childcare, an usher can direct you to the nursery.

**St. John's has a Hearing Loop system**, which allows those wearing appropriate hearing aids to receive the church's sound system directly. If you wear a hearing aid, you may need your audiologist to activate the T-coil in your device.

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## New To St. John's?

**We're glad you're here.**

If you are visiting with us, we invite you to worship, explore, ask questions, and help yourself to all our parish has to offer. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to an usher, a member of the clergy, or by filling out a guest card. Please visit [stjohns-laf.org/guest](http://stjohns-laf.org/guest) or use the QR code.





## Those Serving

<b>Presider</b>	Jason Fortner
<b>Preacher</b>	Bradley Pace
<b>MC</b>	Maggie McClure
<b>Acolyte</b>	Greg McClure
<b>Lectors</b>	Kyle Tribbett, Stephanie Amador Tribbett
<b>LEM</b>	Jack Kueberth, Samantha LeGrand
<b>Ushers</b>	Bruce Johnson, George Moore
<b>Counters</b>	George Moore, Julie Peretin
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dorinda Kueberth, Heather Johnston Nicholson, Linda Jeffries, Michael Benner, Robert Kurtz

## Parish Announcements

### **New Fire: An Ecological Reading of the Easter Vigil**

#### **Beginning TODAY after the 10:15 a.m. service**

“New Fire” will explore the intersections of theology, liturgy, and ecology in the Easter Vigil during the weeks leading up to the service. The hope is that our conversation will help us experience the Vigil in a new and powerful way. We will bring our own experiences to this discussion, and we will also employ the lenses of feminism and queer eco-spirituality as we seek to dive deeper into the meaning of this crucial Episcopal liturgy.

**The class will meet in the church from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. beginning today and continue on February 25, March 3, and March 10.** We will be engaging with all the liturgical elements of the Vigil, so there will be smells and there will be bells as well as bread, water, and wine. **Please note—incense will be used during today’s class.** For more information, contact Jason Fortner at [jason@stjohns-laf.org](mailto:jason@stjohns-laf.org).

### **Lenten Book Discussion—Wild Hope-Stories for Lent from the Vanishing Continues this Thursday at 6:15 p.m.**

St. John’s will host a discussion of stories from *Wild Hope* by Gayle Boss on Thursdays in Lent with Caleb Redick. This book attempts to orient us towards the brokenness of creation during the season of Lent by presenting short stories and illustrations of endangered creatures. A limited number of copies of the book will be available.

All ages are welcome to participate, however a few of the stories may be disturbing, as they present the reality of pollution, poaching, and sickness of creatures. Please contact Caleb Redick at [calebredick@gmail.com](mailto:calebredick@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Sacred Ground—Begins February 21 (Note new start date)**

Sacred Ground is an 11-week video and reading series designed for people that are looking to deepen their commitment to the Beloved Community. Sessions are held online, and both the series and materials are provided at no charge. Sacred Ground is open to all. Participants are invited to peel away the layers that have contributed to the challenges and divisions confronting us today. Register at <http://tinyurl.com/2vrvt4us>.

### **Sunday Morning Hospitality**

Would you like to help with Sunday morning hospitality (aka "coffee hour") after the 10:15 service? Do you need to know more about what hosting entails or want to be more comfortable navigating the kitchen? Please contact [carla.bowerman@gmail.com](mailto:carla.bowerman@gmail.com) to be added to the rotation list, or if you have questions.

### **Support the Episcopal Campus Ministry at Purdue—Volunteer for Sunday meals!**

The Purdue Campus Ministry is inviting St. John’s folks to help prepare dinner for our students on Sunday nights. The church can pay for the ingredients (save your receipts!). Hilary Cooke, the Episcopal Campus Minister at Purdue, can help navigate recipes to address dietary concerns. For more information, contact Hilary at [hilary@goodshep.org](mailto:hilary@goodshep.org) or sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/mreez3bc>.

## Parish Prayer List

**St. John's Cycle of Prayer**— Jim & Shirley Marciniak, Michael Martin, Neil & Kate Mascarenhas and their children Edward, Isabel, & Robert, Caryl Matthews & Don Nead, Ray & Mary Kay McCauley

**Parish Prayer List**— John & Elizabeth Barrett, Paul Lawson, Alyce Dressler, Pam Ogorzaly, Paul Roberts, Carol Helgerman, Ginny Hull, John Howland, Sue Eichhorn, Pequita Behrndt, Don Nead, Barbara Hess, Rosemarie Goonewardene, Janet Huber, Carolyn Speer, Kathie Basden, Bill McLnerney, Ben, Judy, Jerry, Sandra, Carole, Lynn, Jacob, Nancy, Kirsten, Scott, John, Michael, and their families.

For the people of Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine; for hostages and all innocent civilians in harm's way; for peace in all places of conflict; for the victims of violence; and for repair, understanding, and healing across the world, in our nation, and within our communities.

**For those who have died**—For all who have died, including Bob, 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; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

**Our Ministry Partners**—The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, and Chapel of the Good Shepherd, West Lafayette.

**This nation and all in authority**—Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and Erin, our mayors

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