

ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL PARISH
2220 Cedar Street, Berkeley California



The Second Sunday in Lent
February 28, 2021 ~ 9:00am

*No matter who you are or where you are in your spiritual journey,
you are welcome here.*

For this Zoom service, we ask that you be mindful of background noises and mute your microphone when not speaking. An additional note that before the service begins, the presider will invite others to participate as a lector, intercessor, and respondent from among those present. Thank you for your participation!

Gathering Music

All are invited to open their hearts to God and to one another.

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Acclamation, Penitential Anthem, and Confession of Sin

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation.

***People* Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Presider Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." —Mark 12:29–31

Ast. Min. Let us confess our sins, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

After a moment of silence, the Assisting Minister continues:

All God our Creator,
in your mercy, forgive us and help us.
We are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.
We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.
We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry.
We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made.
We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven.
In your mercy, forgive us and help us to see the whole world as your beloved creation,
and to walk the path of love shown in the life of Jesus, your Son. Amen.

Presider Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with heartfelt repentance and true faith turn to the path of new life: Have mercy on 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.**

Sung three times:

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Migh - ty, Ho - ly, Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Collect of the Day

Presider May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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 Reading from the Book of Genesis — Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

after the Lesson:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Acclamation: AUS DER TIEFE, adapt. Jamie Apgar (b. 1986)
Verse: Plainsong, Tone I

The acclamation is sung by a cantor and repeated by all:

Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end - less glo - ry!

The cantor sings the verse appointed for the day:

If anyone would come after me, let them take up their cross and follow me. —Mark 8:34

All repeat the acclamation.

The Holy Gospel — Mark 8:31–38

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

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

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their

life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

after the Gospel:

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

The Sermon

Emily Hansen Curran

A silence for reflection follows the sermon.

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,
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,
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 Prayers of the People

Asst. Min. Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Intercessor Grant, Merciful God, that no small gesture in Your name will go to waste, as we seek to practice kindness and repentance in this season of Lent. *(Silence)*

Lord, in your mercy

All **Hear our prayer.**

Walk with Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Marc our Bishop, and all ministers, that they might be directed toward your will. *(Silence)*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the leaders and people of this nation, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor the dignity of all people and work together for justice. *(Silence)*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may protect it and use its resources wisely. *(Silence)*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Help us recognize that all lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *(Silence)*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially the Willoughby family, Dr. Frank Pavel, George P., Rein Saral, the Johnston Family, Amanda Randles, James Reager, Phil Holbert, Dorothy Gates, Dick Jackson, Emmanuel Thomas Reed, Gaile Nirvana Nuñez, Annie Boutelle, Ron Sullivan, and Mara Alexander. Give them courage and hope, and remind them of joy even in the midst of pain. *(Silence)*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Jane Weidman, Marlene Julian, John Lee, Sophie Willoughby, and Michael Downing; that they may rest in your love, with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *(Silence)*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Presider Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please take a moment in prayer to extend Christ's peace to the people in your life.

Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgivings of the Community

At this time, as we gather for the Great Thanksgiving around Christ's table, we invite any here this morning to share thanks (via Zoom chat) for the movement of God's Spirit in your own life: thanks for a birthday, an anniversary, a new job, an unexpected act of compassion, or other grace-filled change in your life.

Song of Thanksgiving

Spiritual



Thank you, Lord; Thank you, Lord; Thank you, Lord... We just want to thank you, Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider When his friends asked him how to pray, Jesus gave these words,

All **Our Father in heaven,**
hallowed be your Name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer of Communion

Presider Let us pray. *All stand.*

All **God of all,**
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Asst. Min. Our God is merciful: go in search of their justice.

PARTICIPATING TODAY

9:00AM SERVICE

Presiding The Rev. Phil Brochard
Preaching Emily Hansen Curran
Assisting The Rev. Dani Gabriel
Zoom Host Emily Hansen Curran
Musicians Dr. Jamie Apgar, *cantor*
Ronan Ereneta, *cello*