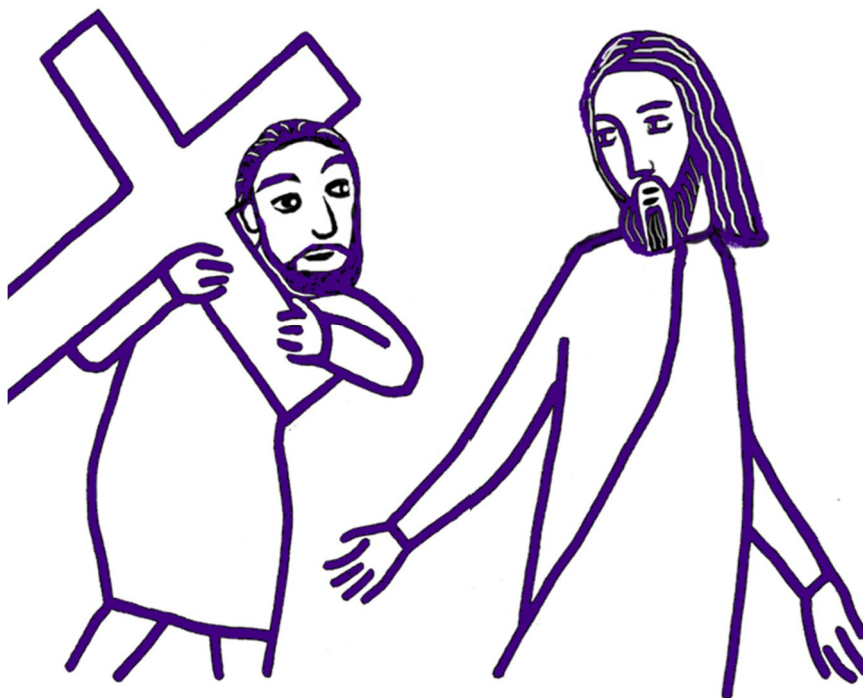


Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024



St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

WELCOME

St. Cyprian's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community of faith, where every person is invited to engage in our worship, mission, and ministry. This booklet contains all you will need for this morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the Announcement page. If you are a visitor to our live-streaming service, we would be honored if you would leave your name and email address to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries. WELCOME!

About Our Worship

The worship in this booklet follows the outline of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the **Book of Common Prayer**. The **Affirmation of Faith** and **The Lord's Prayer** are from the **Prayer Book of the Anglican Church of New Zealand**. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year B** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

A Note about Communion – Our communion is bread and wine (by intinction). The celebrant will dip the bread in the chalice, placing it on your hand. If you do not wish to have the wine, simply let the celebrant know. Those not wishing to receive may come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

PRELUDE

"Wondrous Love"

Barber

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (Please stand as able)

"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

Holy Manna

1 Breth-ren, we have met to wor-ship and a - dore the Lord our God.
2 Sis - ters, will you come and help us? Mo-ses' sis-ter aid - ed him.
3 Is there here a trem-bling jail-er, seek-ing grace and filled with fears?
4 Let us love our God su - preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.

Will you pray with all your pow - er while we try to preach the word?
Will you help the trem-bling mourn-ers who are strug-gling hard with sin?
Is there here a weep-ing Mar - y pour-ing forth a flood of tears?
Let us love and pray for sin - ners till our God makes all things new.

All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the ho - ly One comes down.
Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior. Tell them that he will be found.
Breth-ren, join your cries to help them; sis - ters, let your prayers a - bound!
Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ta - ble we'll sit down.

Breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man-na will be show-ered all a-round.
Sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man-na will be show-ered all a-round.
Pray, O pray, that ho - ly man-na will be scat-tered all a-round.
Christ will gird him-self and serve us with sweet man-na all a-round.

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People **God's mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your 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 commandment greater than these."

Let us confess our sins to God.

Celebrant and People

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 our Savior 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.

Celebrant

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON

arr. Moore



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant 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.**

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When 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. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I 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." ¹⁵God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I 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."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:22-30

²²Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
²³For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
²⁴My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
²⁵The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
²⁶All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
²⁷For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
²⁸To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
²⁹My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
³⁰They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 4:13-25

¹³The 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. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For 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, ¹⁷as 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. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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GRADUAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"How Happy are the Saints of God"

St. Margaret

1 How hap - py are the saints of God who do not
2 Like deep - ly root - ed trees, they stand be - side an
3 While wick - ed ones are whisked a - way like straw be -

heed the wick - ed way; de - light - ing in the
ev - er - flow - ing stream. Their fruit is plen - ti -
fore the driv - ing wind, the saints are firm - ly

ho - ly Word they seek God's wis - dom night and day.
ful and good; their leaves are al - ways grow - ing green.
plant - ed still, and God will keep them to the end.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 8:31-38

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them 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. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But 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." ³⁴He 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. ³⁵For 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. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those 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."

Deacon The Gospel of our Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

(A period of silence follows the sermon)

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(Please stand as able)*

You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.

(From the New Zealand Prayer Book)

You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
Who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God. We worship you.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Bless all whose 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

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

Meyer

PRESENTATION HYMN

(Please stand as able)

"Wondrous Love"

Wondrous Love



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my
2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing
3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of
I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous
God and to the Lamb who is the great I
when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my
frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my
AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!
sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

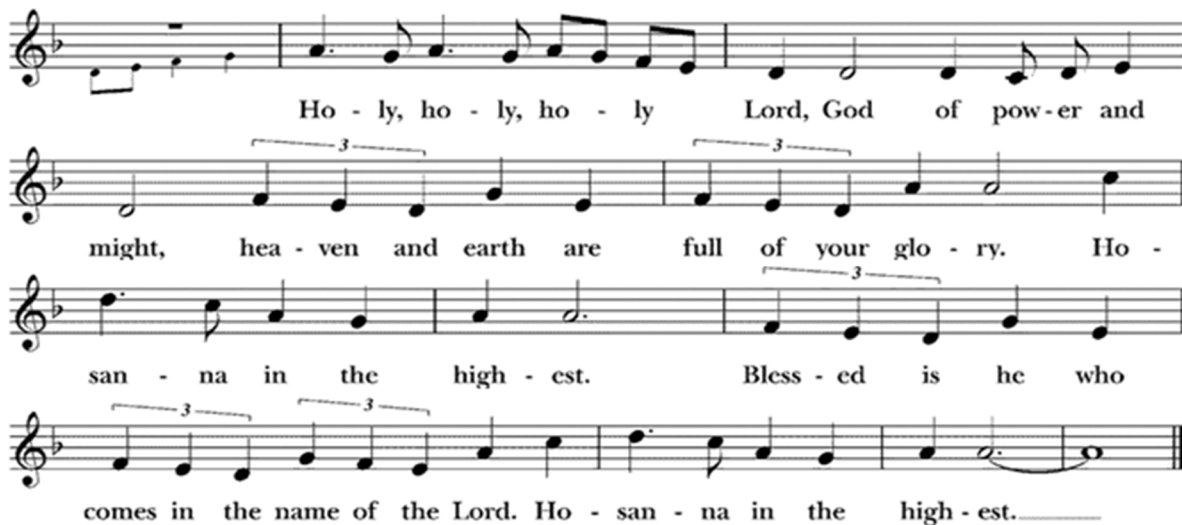
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Gracious God, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Robert Powell



The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the Mother and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Gracious Father, now and for ever. **AMEN!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Eternal Spirit,

Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be,

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

(From the New Zealand Prayer Book)

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Agnus Dei



The Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Temple

COMMUNION CHANT

"Bless the Lord"

Taize

(All sing together)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The Wisdom of God
the Love of God
and the Grace of God
strengthen you
to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,
in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"You Are My Refuge, Faithful God "

Morning Song

1 You are my ref - uge, faith - ful God; you
2 De - liv - er me from hid - den snares, from
3 Be gra - cious, God, in my dis - tress, and
4 I am a wretch - ed sight to see: a
5 And yet I trust in you, O God; your

shel - ter me from shame. I put my spir - it
sor - row, pain, and strife. When trou - bles seem to
dry my bit - ter tears. My life is spent in
bro - ken, emp - ty thing, with on - ly ter - ror
cov - e - nant still stands. Re - deem me, in your

in your hands and call up - on your name.
smoth - er me, take heed, and save my life!
mis - er - y; I sigh a - way my years.
all a - round, and death - ly whis - per - ing.
faith - ful love: my life is in your hands.

DISMISSAL

Deacon
People

Go in peace, to love and serve God's world.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Herzliebster Jesu"

Rohlig

St. Cyprian's Activities & Announcements

Stations of the Cross led by Daughters of the King- Wednesdays at 5:30pm

Fr. Jim will be facilitating two opportunities for growth on Thursdays during Lent:

Lectionary Bible Study- at Noon in the Mission House

We will explore the Gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday

Discussion based upon "On Being" Podcasts by Krista Tippett- at 5:30pm in the Church Office

Please go to <https://onbeing.org/series/podcast/> and listen to the podcast and/or read the transcript with Kate Bowler before the first session.

Special Congregational Meeting – Feb. 25 after church in the Mission House

Following a short Coffee Hour, we will meet to participate in our diocese's Convocation process, an intentional time of listening, healing and reconciliation. Lanny Ballard, Jody Stowers, Deacon Steve and Fr. Jim (our representatives to the Convocation gatherings) will facilitate a dialogue with the people of St. Cyprian's. All are encouraged to attend.

Men's Night- Feb. 27th at 4pm

Zoom Meetings

Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am

Virtual Coffee Hour – Wednesdays at 10am

Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm

Racial & Social Justice Discussion Group – 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 10am

Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Nisan Zeman, Lou Chabut, Theo & Lily Pignataro, Janet Stowers, Lynelle & Jeff, Penelope, Karen Honans, Leila Seibert, Domingo C., Mtr. Celeste Tisdelle, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Lynn Timmons, Martha Bailey, Mignon Williams, Joe Finnegan, Carrie C., Barb Lofquist, Michelle Curlee, Jane Schwab, Harrison, Brandi Killings, Kenny Brown, Clifford Romeo, Sue Rausch, Pat Ethridge, George Paul, Henning Toensmann, Carol Ann Romaine, Bobbi Miller, Elise Osako and Jim Colee.

Those listed below will be prayed for by The Daughters of the King, and members and clergy of St. Cyprians.

Larry Hickernell, Candy Overton, Kirby von Egidy, Jonathan Brunjef, Alice Greenspan, Dennis Edwards, Clayton, Richard & Darlene, Carole Prior, Ron, Jim, Tom, Chloe, Elena, Parker Aune, Penny Rolleston, Alan Turner, Sally Yocum, Isaac Katcher, Roger & Sandy Pinnicks, Susie, Bruce Cudworth, Melissa & Family, Traude, Pam & Dick Sherry, Michael, Lurna, Margaret, Sandy, Diane, Michael Kratz, Diane Radibeau Wise, Dick & Karin Jeter, John Neuman, Donna Bahr, Bev Curry and family, Patricia Maxwell, Anthony Patterson, Anthony & Claire, Susie Calvaruso, The Morrissey Family, Catherine Martin.

About the Prayer List – To add a name to our Prayer List, with their permission, please call 904-829-8828 or email Deacon Steve at stcyprianssteve@gmail.com. Please let us know when to take off someone's name.

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