

The First Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2025



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 **Declaration of Faith** is borrowed from the New Zealand Prayer Book. The **Eucharistic Prayer** is from the **Book of Common Prayer**. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year C** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

A Note about Communion – Our communion is bread and wine (by intinction). The clergy 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. Communion bread that is celiac safe gluten free is available. Ask for it when you come to receive. Those not wishing to receive may come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

PRELUDE

“Solemn Prelude” from “A Lenten Suite”

Callahan

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (Please stand as able)

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

Grosser Gott



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 All a - pos - tles join the strain as your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it:



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name they hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, while in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heaven a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heavens with
 and the bless - ed mar - tyrs fol - low, and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you, and a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: “Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!”
 set of sun, through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

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

THE DECALOGUE

Celebrant Hear the commandments of God to his people:
 I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not commit murder.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not steal.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not be a false witness.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

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 and our neighbor.

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.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.
People **Christ, have mercy.**
Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

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.

God of love, as Jesus went into the desert to pray and face his temptations, lead us with him, into solitude with you, into that place laid bare where we may see ourselves through your eyes and reclaim the love you give us. We pray in the love and the company of Jesus. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

¹When 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, ²you 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. ³You 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." ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you 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. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The 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; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So 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. ¹¹Then 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.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16

¹He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

²He shall say to the LORD, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."

⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

¹¹For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.

¹²They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

¹³You shall tread upon the lion and the adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

¹⁴Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

¹⁵He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

¹⁶With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 10:8b-13

^{8b}"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because 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. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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GRADUAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days"

St. Flavian



1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and
2 As you with Sa - tan did con-tend and did the vic-tory
3 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through this Pas-sion-
4 A - bide with us, till when this life of suf - fering shall be



pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.
win, O give us strength to per - se - vere, in you to con-quer sin.
tide, yes, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
past, an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at-tain at last.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 4:1-13

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

After his baptism, ¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where 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. ³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." ⁴Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" ⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And 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. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" ⁹Then 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, ¹⁰for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' ¹¹and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" ¹²Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Priest 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.**

**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.**

(From the New Zealand Prayer Book)

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)

People Lord, in your mercy
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)

People Lord, in your mercy
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)

People Lord, in your mercy
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)

People Lord, in your mercy
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)

People Lord, in your mercy
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)

People Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY "Bread of Heaven, Wine of Heaven"

Martin

PRESENTATION HYMN (Please stand as able)

"At the Name of Jesus"

King's Weston



1 At the name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
2 Hum - bled for a sea - son to re - ceive a name
3 Bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,
4 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
from the lips of sin - ners un - to whom he came,
through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,
with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord,
faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast,
for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

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

Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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:**

**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.**

(From the New Zealand Prayer Book)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins
of the world; have mer - cy on us,
Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of the prayer, the second staff the second line, and the third staff the third line. The music is simple and melodic, with some notes beamed together.

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

COMMUNION ANTHEM "We Gather Here in Jesus' Name"

COMMUNION CHANT "Bless the Lord"

Taize

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is a simple, rhythmic chant with some rests. The first staff contains the first line of the chant, and the second staff the second line.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

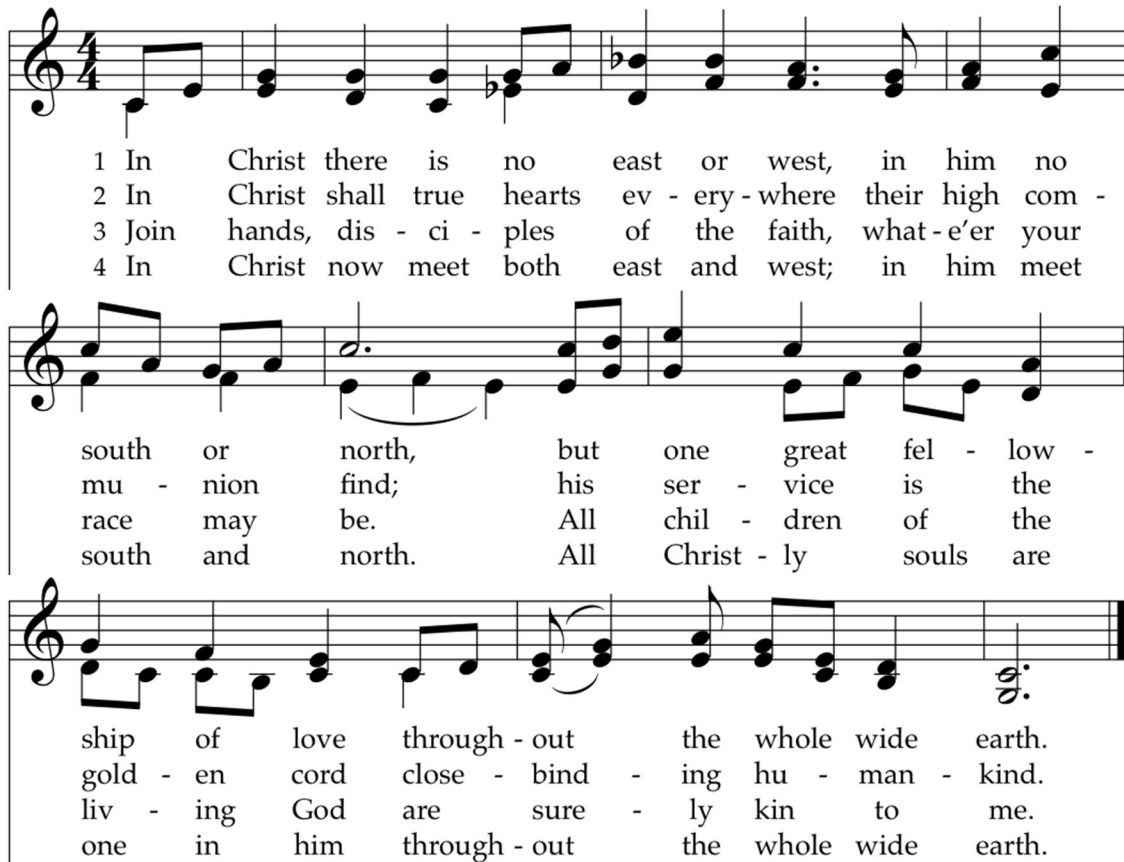
Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"In Christ There is No East or West"

McKee



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com -
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your
4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet

south or north, but one great fel - low -
mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
race may be. All chil - dren of the
south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

"Cortege"

Peeters

PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A RECTOR TO ST. CYPRIAN'S

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Cyprian's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries. Bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. Cyprian's Activities & Announcements

Healing Service- Wednesday Mar. 12th 3pm

Stations of the Cross-Wednesdays 4pm

"Coming Back to Life" Lenten Small Group Gatherings

Sunday evenings at 6:00pm at a Host home, Mar. 2nd-Apr. 13th

Wednesday afternoons at 3:00 pm at St. Cyprian's, Mar. 5th-Apr. 16th

Zoom Meetings

Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am

Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm

Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Peter Ziegler, Linda B., Bonnie Santos, Shirley Jones, RJ, Chase Alonso, Phil and Susan Murphree, Michelle, Jerry Pantelakis, Jim & Dana Clausner, Diane, Jane Schwab, Howard Katz, Heather, John Miller, Linda Kish, Steve Brown, Clivia Milburn, Jordan Sadie, Kevin Cash, Bill Schwab, Robert Timmons, Rebecca, Adele Anthony, Dave Lang, Joe Finnegan, Geordy Maish, Linda Larrimore, David Arena, Theo & Lily Pignataro, Domingo C., Lynn Timmons, Martha Bailey, Mignon Williams, Harrison, Brandi Killings, Clifford Romeo, Sue Rausch, Pat Ethridge, George Paul, Henning Toensmann

Those listed below will be prayed for by The Daughters of the King and members of St. Cyprians. Laurie & Eric, Joanne, Mildred Williams, Roger Toussaint, Kate Masters, Barbara & Fred Jaillet, Natasha McGee, Suzi Cameron, Suzanne Overton-O'Hara, Brenda & John Beal, Carol Steinhauss, The Morrissey Family, Mark Shine, Chip Wise, Mary Klunk, Dinetha Wilbur, Dee Beck, Sebastian Alawi, Mildred Oliver, Candy Overton, Kirby von Egidy, Jonathan Brunjef, Carole Prior, Ron, Jim, Tom, Chloe, Elena, Alan Turner, Susie, Bruce Cudworth, Pam & Dick Sherry, Michael, Lurna, Margaret, Sandy, Diane, Dick & Karin Jeter, Catherine Martin

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

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