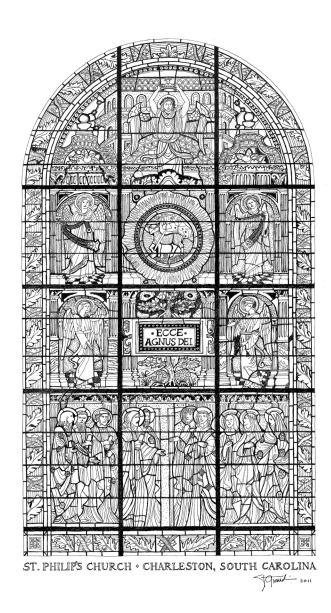
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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

MORNING PRAYER: RITE I FEBRUARY 28, 2021 • 10:30 AM



WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest,

to all who mourn and long for comfort,

to all who struggle and desire victory,

to all who sin and need a Savior,

to all who are strangers and want fellowship,

to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness,

to all who have been blessed and wish to give thanks,

and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors

and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

MORNING PRAYER: RITE I

THE PRELUDE

What Wondrous Love Is This Eric Pickford, *violin*; Elise Pickford, *piano*

arr. Duane Funderburk (b. 1954)

THE INTROIT

Wondrous Love

arr. Paul Christiansen (1914-1997)

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul,

That caused the Lord of Life to bear the heavy cross,

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul...

That Christ should lay aside His crown for my soul!

What wondrous love, O my soul!

Trad. Southern Folk Hymn from The Sacred Harp, 1844. This arr. by Paul Christiansen, © 1955 Augsburg Pub. House.ARR.ICS.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are invited to stand and sing the opening hymn.

THE OPENING HYMN 336

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Rathbun

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time;

All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,

Never shall the cross forsake me: Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,

From the cross the radiance streaming adds new luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;

Peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time;

All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748). Music: Rathbun, Ithamar Conkey (1815-1867)

THE OPENING SENTENCES

All remain standing as the officiant begins the service with the opening sentences found on page 38 of the Book of Common Prayer.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

All kneeling, officiant and people together

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Officiant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All standing, the officiant says

O Lord, open thou our lips.

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All remain standing and sing the canticle.

O come let us sing | unto • the Lord;

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with | thanksgiving;

and show ourselves | glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a | great God;

and a great | King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners | of the earth;

and the strength of the hills is | his also.

The sea is | his and • he made it;

and his hands pre pared • the dry land.

O come let us worship and | fall down,

and kneel before the | Lord our Maker.

For he is the | Lord our God;

and we are the people of his pasture, and the | sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the | beauty • of holiness;

let the whole earth | stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth;

and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples with his truth.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son,

and | to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever shall be,

world without | end. Amen.

PSALM 16:6-12

Remaining standing, the people and celebrant read the following psalm in unison.

⁶The LORD himself is the portion of my inheritance and of my cup; you shall maintain my lot.

The boundaries have fallen for me in pleasant places;

indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

⁸ I will thank the LORD for giving me counsel; my heart also chastens me in the night season.

⁹ I have set the LORD always before me;

he is at my right hand; therefore I shall not fall.

¹⁰ Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices.

My flesh also shall rest in hope.

11 For you shall not leave my soul in the grave,

neither shall you allow your Holy One to see corruption.

¹² You shall show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy, and at your right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The people are seated for the reading of God's word.

THE FIRST LESSON Romans 8:31-39

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand and sing the canticle.

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song:

This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.

My Comforter, my All in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe!

This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save.

'Til on the cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.

For ev'ry sin on Him was laid: here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world, by darkness slain;

Then, bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!

And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;

For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;

From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.

No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;

'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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The people are seated for the reading of God's word.

THE SECOND LESSON Mark 8:31-38

³¹ Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." ³⁴ And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶ For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷ For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸ For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand and sing the sermon hymn.

THE SERMON HYMN

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

Bourbon

Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be;

Take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me.

Take up your cross, let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm;

His strength shall bear your spirit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your foolish heart be still;

The Lord for you accepted death upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calmly every danger brave:

It guides you to abundant life and leads to victory o'er the grave.

Take up your cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down;

For only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

Words: Charles William Everest (1814-1877). Music: Bourbon, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780-1859)

THE SERMON

The Summit of Scripture

The Rev. Jeffrey S. Miller

SERMON RESPONSE

My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;

All other ground is sinking sand,

All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood sustain me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O, may I then in Him be found, Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne! Refrain

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt. Music: *The Solid Rock*, William B. Bradbury (1816-1868)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All standing, officiant and people say

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

All kneeling, officiant and people 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 SUFFRAGES

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; and grant us thy salvation.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness; and make thy chosen people joyful.

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; for only in thee can we live in safety.

Lord, keep this nation under thy care; and guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let thy way be known upon earth; thy saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God; and sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR GRACE

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The officiant leads the congregation in several brief prayers.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Almighty and ever-living God, in your holy Word you have taught us to offer prayers and requests, and to give thanks for all whom you have made. Grant that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

For Foley, our Archbishop; for Mark, our Bishop; for our clergy; for our diocese; and for this parish, that all may hunger for truth, may thirst for righteousness and be filled with your Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

For the President of the United States and for those in positions of public trust, that they may govern wisely, and striving for the welfare and peace of the whole world, may bring a spirit of respect and forbearance among all nations and peoples. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Mend whatever is broken by human sin; in our lives, in our nation, and in the world. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, knowledge of your will; and to all who are lonely, anxious or depressed, comfort from your tender care. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; give them courage; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Surround with kindness those who are bereaved. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Oh most loving Father, take from us all that hinders your access to our hearts. Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may love one another as you love us. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

A COLLECT IN TIME OF GREAT SICKNESS AND MORTALITY (1928 Book of Common Prayer)

O most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succour. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

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

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,

be with us all evermore. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL OFFERING

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Gilbert M. Martin (b. 1941)

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen.

Words: Isaac Watts. Music: Gilbert M. Martin (b. 1941), based on a tune by Lowell Mason. @1970 by Theodore Presser, Company.

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And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love

Unde et Memores

And now, O Father, mindful of the love that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree, And having with us him that pleads above, we here present, we here spread forth to thee, That only offring perfect in thine eyes, the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Words: The Rev. William Bright (1874) Tune: Unde et Memores, Public Domain

THE CLOSING PRAYERS AND BLESSING

Priest The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.

Priest Let us pray.

All kneel. After the closing prayers and blessing, all stand and sing the closing hymn.

THE CLOSING HYMN

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore his sacred Name.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign, The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. *Refrain*

Each newborn servant of the Crucified Bears on the brow the seal of him who died. *Refrain*

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, As thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. *Refrain*

So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory. *Refrain*

Words: George William Kitchin (1827-1912); alt. Michael Robert Newbolt (1874-1956) Music: *Crucifer*, Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, and the people respond:

Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Jesu, Meine Freude (Jesus, Priceless Treasure) Johann G. Walther (1684-1748)



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