

Sunday, March 9, 2025
First Sunday in Lent
9:00 AM RITE I



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THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

THE OPENING HYMN *Hymnal 150*
Forty Days & Forty Nights

THE WORD OF GOD

THE SALUTATION *BCP 323*
Please stand, as you are able.

THE KYRIE *HYMNAL S-96*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit
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:
Deuteronomy 26:1-11

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

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE:

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

We will read antiphonally, the lectern side congregating reciting the bold full verse, the pulpit side reciting the light type font verse.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Epistle: Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because 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. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For,

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL HYMN *Hymnal 529*
In Christ There Is No East or West

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The Gospel **Luke 4:1-13**

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where 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. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And 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. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then 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, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, Lord Christ

THE SERMON
Rev. Robert Leaverton, ELCA

THE NICENE CREED **BCP 326**
Please stand, as you are able.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE **BCP 328**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN **BCP 331**
Please kneel or sit reverently, as you are able.

THE PEACE **BCP 332**
Please stand, as you are able.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS
Please be seated.

PRAYER FOR A NEW DEAN
Together

Almighty God, look graciously on the people of St. Peter's Cathedral. Be with us and lead us as we seek the next Dean for our church. Enlighten with your grace the Search Committee. We ask for discernment, wisdom, and guidance. We pray for whom you guide to our parish, that they hear your calling and join our congregation swiftly, with joy in their hearts. We pray for the life of our parish, that we may joyfully continue to be strengthened in our mission to "Love God and Our Neighbor and Make Disciples for Christ." Give us courage

to respond and act as you lead us. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS **BCP 830**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The ushers bring the offering to the altar during the singing of the Offertory hymn

THE OFFERTORY **Hymnal 432**
O Praise Ye the Lord!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II **BCP 340**

THE SANCTUS **HYMNAL S-130**

THE CONSECRATION **BCP 341**
Please kneel or stand, as you are able.

THE LORD'S PRAYER **BCP 336**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD
HYMNAL S-164

In Lent, Alleluia is omitted

**THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL
COMMUNION**

(for those attending remotely)

In union, O Lord, with thy faithful people at every altar of thy Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to thee praise and thanksgiving. I remember thy death, Lord Christ; I proclaim thy resurrection; I await thy coming in glory. Since I cannot receive thee today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with thy grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from thee. May I live in thee, and thou in

me, in this life and in the life to come.
Amen

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

Lord, Who Throughout these Forty Days
Hymnal 142

O Saving Victim **Hymnal 311**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER **BCP 339**

THE BLESSING **BCP 339**

THE CLOSING HYMN **Hymnal 559**
Lead Us, Heavenly Father

THE DISMISSAL **BCP 339**
Please stand, as you are able.
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