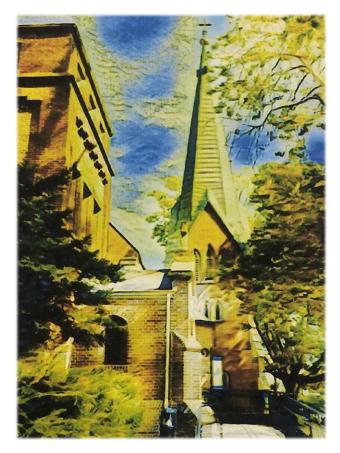
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II MARCH 20 AT 10:15 A.M.



Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We pray you experience the love of God through our worship and fellowship. For those who are new to our community, restrooms can be found on the other side of the parish hall. Ushers are stationed at the back of the church and can answer any questions you may have. In addition to worship, Sunday School takes place at 9:00AM and opportunities for fellowship exist after the service in the Parish Hall. Thank you for being here!

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE	The Sacred Hour	F Mendelssohn Arr. George Blake
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OPENING ACCLAMATION (please remain standing)

CelebrantBless the Lord who forgives all our sins.PeopleHis mercy endures for ever.

THE DECALOGUE: CONTEMPORARY

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. *Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not make for yourself any idol. *Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God. *Amen. Lord have mercy.*

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. *Amen. Lord have mercy.*

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

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

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

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

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

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

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 your Son 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.

THE ABSOLUTION

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

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. S-96

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE FIRST LESSON: Exodus 3:1-15 (please be seated)

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

PSALM 63:1-8 (read responsively)

1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; * my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water. 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, * that I might behold your power and your glory. 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; * my lips shall give you praise. 4 So will I bless you as long as I live * and lift up my hands in your Name. 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, * and my mouth praises you with joyful lips, 6 When I remember you upon my bed, * and meditate on you in the night watches. 7 For you have been my helper, * and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice. 8 My soul clings to you; * your right hand holds me fast.

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

The Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Fairest Lord Jesus

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THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-9 (please stand)

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

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

THE SERMON

Jen Trenary

BCP 358

THE NICENE CREED (Please stand)

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. (pause) 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Form V (please kneel and pray responsively)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy".

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Diocesan Bishop; Amanda, Stacey, and Jen, our pastors; for all bishops and other ministers; and for all the holy people of God. In the Diocesan and Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Luke's, Mechanicsburg and The Anglican Church of Mexico, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For those in positions of public trust especially Joe, our President; Tom, our Governor; Danene, our Mayor; and those serving in the Armed Forces, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors, especially John Symonds, Angelica, Carl, Chase, Dave Pennell, Emily Lavender, Tiny Nolan, Sandy Grove, Karan, Valerie Lucci, Claire Phillips, Charlie, Mary Ann, and Tetiana, Alexsandr, Maria, Oleksandr, and their families; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

Celebrant For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

Eternal God

John Rutter

HYMN 707 (V. 1)

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord to thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;

Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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: Holy and gracious Father: 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 God 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:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

CelebrantChrist our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast.

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

CelebrantIn the name of God and on behalf of this parish, I send you forth bearing
these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the
communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body.PeopleBecause we all share one bread, one cup.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE (kneeling)

Celebrant Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN

Singing song of expectation

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THE DISMISSAL

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

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POSTLUDE

UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:

Today

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist: Rite I
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist: Rite II
11:30 a.m.	Vestry Meeting

Monday, March 21

6:00 p.m.	Daughters of the King
7:00 p.m.	Handbell Practice

Tuesday, March 22

1:30 p.m.	Martha's Ministry
2:30 p.m.	Food Pantry
5:00 p.m.	VH Dance
6:30 p.m.	Lenten Forum (Zoom)

Wednesday, March 23

12:05 p.m.	Holy Eucharist with Healing
3:30 p.m.	Eagle's Nest
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 24

9:00 a.m.	Ministers Meeting
2:30 p.m.	Food Pantry

Friday, March 25

Messenger Due Rector's Day Off

Saturday, March 26

Sunday, March 27

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist: Rite I
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Weekly Support Ministries

AA:	Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
NA:	Mon., Wed., & Fri. 12:00 p.m.
NA:	Thurs. & Sat. 6:30 p.m.

Diocesan Convention 2022 - We are seeking candidates to be delegates to the Diocesan Convention this fall. The Convention will be held October 13-15, 2022. On Thursday evening there will be an online business meeting. On Friday and Saturday, the convention will be in person. The convention will be held at Spooky Nook in Manheim. Any member of the church, 16 years and older, is eligible to be a delegate or an alternate. If you are interested, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee. They are Leslie Morgan, Molly Moyer, or John Gouveia.

<u>Convocation Meeting</u> - If you have never been to a Diocesan Convention, the Convocation meeting is a great place to become acquainted with the issues that will be discussed at the convention. The Spring Convocation meeting will be held Thursday, June 15, at 6:00 PM. The location is not yet known. More details will be announced as they are available.

Spring Cleanup: Join us on April 2 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. as we spruce up the campus for Easter and the spring season! There will be outside and inside work. So, bring your gloves, rakes, and whatever else comes to mind and join us! If you have any questions, please contact Liz West at paullizwest@gmail.com.

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL LENTEN WEEKEND



Friday, April 8: 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Please let us know in advance if you are able to attend by April 1: office@stjohns-lancaster.org Childcare provided.

Prison Reform and The Church: A Lenten Conversational Series

SCHEDULE

Tuesday, March 8th, 6:30-7:30 PM

Deacon and Prison Chaplain Stacey Catigano invites us to meet Jesus the Prisoner by discussing who is the fastest growing demographic in our prisons; who is the largest incarcerated population; and where do addiction, gender, mental health, and poverty intersect in our criminal justice system. A suggested reading and movie list for more indepth study will be provided.

Tuesday, March 15th, 6:30-7:30 PM

Do you really know who is sitting in the pew with you? Our mystery guest will share their story and why it is so important, as a community, we check our assumptions and bring the struggle out of the dark.

Tuesday, March 22nd, 6:30-7:30 PM



The Venerable Deacon Jane Miron will share her experience of Prison Ministry and why as Christians we need to get involved and how.

Tuesday, March 29th, 6:30-7:30 PM

Join Chris Fitz, Director of Strategic Initiatives for Advoz: Restorative Practices as he shares why the criminal justice system is in need of reform and a better way to respond to personal and structural conflict to include our youth.

Tuesday, April 5th, 6:30-7:30 PM

A conversation of hope. What have we learned, and how have our conversations these past few weeks shaped us? How do we move forward out of the darkness and into the light?

For Zoom invite please email: scatigano@gmail.com



SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH

TOILETRIES DRIVE MARCH 1 - 31, 2022

St. John's food pantry distributes 20 - 25 boxes of food per week. Clients also deeply appreciate toiletries items and diapers.

Can you help by donating one of the items on the list?

BUY LOCAL AND BRING YOUR DONATION TO CHURCH OR TO THE PARISH OFFICE

Questions? Please contact Sue Dodge at lalimuleeverizon.net or 717-368-7206

Requested Items

toilet paper diapers wipes tissues (small packs) bar soap body wash shampoo conditioner lotion deodorant

toothpaste feminine hygiene products disposable razors shaving cream hand sanitizer disposable masks

WELCOME



Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We are glad you are here. Please tell us a little bit about yourself by clicking the QR Code or by filling out a pew card and placing it is in the offertory plate.

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