



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

## 10:30A

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

MARCH 22, 2020

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## The Word of God

### Entrance of the Ministers

### A Penitential Order

### Prelude

*Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund*  
(J.S. Bach)

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

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*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* His mercy endures for ever.

#### THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

*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."

#### CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

¶ *Silence may be kept*

*All* 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.

*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.

*People* Amen.

#### KYRIE ELEISON S95

The musical notation is for the Kyrie Eleison S95. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff has three measures: the first measure is for 'Cantor or Choir' and the second and third are for 'All'. The lyrics are 'Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.' The second staff has three measures: the first is for 'All', the second is for 'Cantor or Choir', and the third is for 'All'. The lyrics are 'Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.'

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

## The Lessons

LESSON 1 Samuel 16:1-13

*Lector* The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah. NRSV

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

HYMN 645 'The King of love my shepherd is'

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

*Gospeller* As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

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**We pray for those...**

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**In need of comfort**

Leslie  
Michael  
Darlene  
John Clements  
Kristen Holland  
Mollie Davis  
Elaine Leander  
Susan Sargent  
Anne  
Kevin Williamson  
Jorge Lopez  
Judy Amis  
Bob Ryan  
John Cain  
Lynette Brannon  
Charlane Cox  
Todd Bland  
Leonard  
Janie Riels  
Sam  
Lillian Swearingen  
Anne  
Robert Nesbitt  
Graham Bullock  
Brenda  
Melba  
Sandy  
David McMurrey  
Marjorie  
Todd Wallace  
Aaron  
Alison and Sam Kimberlin  
Dean Davis  
Harriet Rutland  
June Rector  
Donna Tonahill  
Barbara Ekerdt  
Katharine  
Michael  
Taylor  
Korzilius family  
Painter family  
Hur family  
MacLean family  
Menge family  
Parker family

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains." NRSV

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon** The Rev. Stanford Adams, *Senior Associate*

**The Nicene Creed**

(P.358)

*Celebrant* We believe in one God,  
*All* 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.  
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.

## The Prayers of the People

10:30 am [ 5 ]

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

¶ *After each of the following petitions:*

*People* Lord, have mercy.

¶ *The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

**HYMN 490** 'I want to walk as a child of the light'

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

(p.364)

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* 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 Dismissal

### BLESSING

¶ *The celebrant blesses the people*

*People* Amen.

**HYMN 493** 'O for a thousand tongues'

### DISMISSAL

¶ *The celebrant dismisses the people*

*People* Thanks be to God.

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### Expecting the birth of a child

Natasha Bowen  
Amanda Burke Bailey  
Julia Davis Prickett  
Marianna Stephens Elskes  
Emily Meador  
Jacquelyn Greenwood Hill  
Sarah Cromwell Sheppard  
Emily Hemphill  
Abby Burke Henderson  
Elizabeth Buchanan Shands  
Rachel Stephens  
K. Sims Holland Price  
Mia Rebal  
Katy Whitbeck  
Gretchen Bechtol  
Liz Stewart  
Searcy Milam

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### Births

Lyla Pearl Benton

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### Deaths

Christopher Korzilius  
Dee Painter

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### Serving in the armed forces

Starr Ekanga  
Alexandra Mauro  
Michael Hart  
Nico Barrangan  
Joseph Turner  
Davis Brown  
Brandon Sharp  
Katy Whitbeck  
Clayton Baker  
Bradley Hicks  
Jim Lively  
Patrick Murphy  
Andrew Gray  
Claten Bechtol  
Zachary Pierce

### Postlude

*Herr Christ, der ein'ges Gottes Sohn*  
(J.S. Bach)