



Lord have
mercy upon us
& incline our hearts

MESSIAH EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Second Sunday In Lent
March 1st, 2026 8:30 and 11 am
Rite I Eucharist

Worship Emphasis for Lent 2026.

Our Lenten Theme is "Lord Have Mercy Upon Us & Incline our Hearts", which comes from the recitation of the Decalogue in the Prayer Book tradition. Archbishop Thomas Cranmer, the first Protestant Archbishop of Canterbury, like Luther and Calvin, began the liturgy for Holy Communion with a recitation of the Ten Commandments. In our tradition the Presider begins, "God spake these words and said", followed by each of the Ten Commandments, with the congregation replying, "Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this Law". As Protestant Christians we hear the Law, reminding us of the grace of the Gospel, and the promise of the Holy Spirit to follow Jesus. As the prophets promised: "I'll pour pure water over you and scrub you clean. I'll give you a new heart, put a new spirit in you. I'll remove the stone heart from your body and replace it with a heart that's God-willed, not self-willed. I'll put my Spirit in you and make it possible for you to do what I tell you and live by my commands", Ezekiel 36:26-27 (MSG).

We also return to the traditional language of Rite I, in the Book of Common Prayer, for Lent. It's not so much the traditional language that I so value about Rite I as it is its theology. Keeping close to the intention of the English Reformation, the Rite I liturgy of Holy Communion takes seriously both our sin, and, even more, God's grace in Jesus and in the pouring out of the Holy Spirit in our hearts. While the language is traditional, this Lent our focus is on "heart religion", what theologian Simeon Zahl calls Thomas Cranmer's "technology of the heart". As Ezekiel prophesied God saying to his people, "I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh and give them a heart of flesh". Again, this Lent we'll begin the week with liturgies from the Book of Common Prayer: by saying the Great Litany at 8:15am on Sunday mornings in the Church, and Compline on our YouTube Channel Sundays at 9pm. Also look for the Stations of the Cross to return on Lent IV through Holy Week!

With every blessing,

Rev. Dave+

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THE WORD OF GOD

All stand.

OPENING HYMN

I Want Jesus To Walk With Me



Words: Traditional; Music: Negro Spiritual

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #323.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Leader Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins;

All His mercy endureth for ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Leader Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open...

...and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Please kneel as you are able.

KYRIE ELEISON

Hymnal S-96

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

All stand.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP p. 166

Leader The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Leader Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy...

...and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

All sit.

THE LESSONS

BCP p. 325

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (Genesis 12:1-4a)

Bible OT p. 10

Please turn in your pew Bible to OT p. # 10.

After the reading:

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121: I Look Towards The Hills

1. I look to - wards the hills; can they bring help to birth?
 2. He will not let you slide, your keep - er will not sleep,
 3. The Lord will keep you safe, the Lord will be your shade.
 4. The Lord will keep your soul from e - vil at your door.

My help comes from the Lord Him-self, who made the heav'n and earth.
 for Is - rael's Lord will nev - er tire, who has us in His keep.
 Of sun or moon or dead - ly curse you need not be a - fraid.
 The Lord will keep you day by day, both now and ev - er - more.

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 DENNIS SM

All stand.

THE HOLY GOSPEL (John 3:17-18) Bible NT p.94

Please turn in your pew Bible to NT p. # 94.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ...

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the reading:

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

All sit.

THE SERMON the Rev. Dave Langille

All stand.

THE NICENE CREED BCP p. 327-328

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer, p. #327, as we profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All I believe in one God
 the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth...
 ...and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen

Please kneel as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM V BCP p. 389-391

Leader In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Kyrie eleison"
 For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled...
 ...we pray to you, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the People respond, "Kyrie eleison".

CONFESSION OF SIN BCP p. 330-331

Leader Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins...

All Almighty God,
 Father of our Lord Jesus Christ...
 ...through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All stand.

ABSOLUTION & COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP p. 332

Leader Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy...

All Amen.

Leader Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn unto him...

THE PEACE

BCP p. 332

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Maw Ywa, ata ghu ta poe, oh taw thu da kay.

All And with thy Spirit.

Maw oh taw, na thar da kay.

Please take a moment to share the sign of peace with those around you.

All sit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A greeting from our clergy to Messiah members and our guests; we'll also share news for the Messiah community.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Leader Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The bread and wine are brought forward and the offering is received.

OFFERTORY HYMN

The Lord Is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me
And pulled me from the raging sea
And I am safe on this solid ground
The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls
His strength will help me scale these walls
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun
The Lord is my salvation

Chorus Who is like the Lord our God
Strong to save, faithful in love
My debt is paid and the victory won
The Lord is my salvation

My hope is hidden in the Lord
He flow'rs each promise of His Word
When winter fades I know spring will come
The Lord is my salvation

In times of waiting, times of need
When I know loss when I am weak
I know His grace will renew these days
The Lord is my salvation (Chorus)

And when I reach the final day
He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise He will call me home
The Lord is my salvation (Chorus)

Bridge Glory be to God the Father
Glory be to God the Son
Glory be to God the Spirit
The Lord is our salvation

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All stand as offering is brought forward.

Leader All things come of thee, O Lord.

All And of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II **BCP p. 340-343**

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. # 340.

Leader The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Leader Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Leader Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All **It is meet and right so to do.**

Please kneel as you are able.

Leader It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty...

...Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS



Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr: Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Leader All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for thou didst create...

... By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all
honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken with traditional language)

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #337.

COMMUNION FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal #S164

Jesus, Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us,

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us,

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:

Give us your peace, give us your peace.

Leader Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP p. 337-338

Leader We do not presume to come to this thy Table ...

... That we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

Leader The Gifts of God for the People of God...

All are invited to kneel in prayer at the Communion. The ushers will release you, one pew at a time, to kneel at the Altar Rail to receive Holy Communion. All baptized believers in Jesus are welcome to receive the Eucharist. A special note to visitors: If you are accustomed to receiving Holy Communion in your home Church, no matter what its denomination, you are also welcome to receive Holy Communion. After receiving the bread, one is free to receive the chalice. If you would prefer to receive the bread only, simply cross your arms in front of you. And, if you would prefer to receive a blessing only, please also signify by crossing your arms. Thank you.

8:30 am service: Healing team members are available for prayer during communion.

11 am service: Healing team members are available for prayer during communion, concurrent with Joanne Slanger & Jennifer Wilson available for prayer by calling 612-803-9020.

All sit or kneel.

COMMUNION MUSIC

I Shall Not Want

- Verses
1. From the love of my own comfort, from the fear of having nothing,
From a life of worldly passions, Deliver me, O God.
 2. From the need to be understood, and from a need to be accepted,
From the fear of being lonely, Deliver me, O God, Deliver me, O God.

Chorus

(O God.)— And I shall not want, no I shall not want. When I
taste Your good - ness I shall not want. When I
taste Your good - ness I shall not want.

3. From the fear of serving others, Oh and from the fear of death or trial,
And from the fear of humility, Deliver me, O God, Yes, deliver me, O God.

Chorus

(O God.)— And I shall not want, no I shall not want. When I
taste Your good - ness I shall not want. No I shall not want, no I

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shall not want. When I taste Your good - ness I shall not want. When I
taste Your good - ness I shall not want.

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Holy Spirit

1. Holy Spirit living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me
2. Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do
3. Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see

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At Messiah we generally stand for the last Communion song, the Altar party will stand first.

What Wondrous Love Is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down
When I was sinking down, sinking down
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb who is the Great I Am
While millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing!
While millions join the theme I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on
And when from death I'm free I'll sing on!
And when from death I'm free I'll sing and joyful be
And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on
And through eternity I'll sing on!

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All kneel.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #339.

Leader Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee ...

...Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end.

All Amen.

THE BLESSING

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The Celebrant offers a blessing to the people in the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All stand.

CLOSING HYMN

Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross



1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross; there a pre - cious foun - tain,
2. Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream, flows from Cal - vary's moun - tain.
there the Bright and Morn - ing Star sheds its beams a - round me.
help me walk from day to day with its sha - dow o'er me.
till I reach the gol - den strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain



In the cross, in the cross, be my glo - ry ev - er,



till my rap - tured soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915; Music: Near the Cross, William H. Doane, 1832-1915

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၁. ယောက ရှာ နှင့် အစီအစဉ် ယော သွန် ဖျာန် ထွန် အလို့
ဆဲ မှု ဝါရီ ဝှံ ထွာ လော ဝဲ ဒုန် ပှု ခဲ လာဉ် အဂီဝ်။

လာ ဖျာန် လော ထာ ထွန် လော မှ် ကာ မး နား အဂီဝ်၊
ဒီး တှာ လာ ယ သး ကာ ပှု ဂီး နှ် ထာ ဝှံ ထာ မီး အာ မှ်။

၂. ယော သွန် ဖျာန် ထွန် အကယော ထံဉ် ထာ သး က ညီ အါ၊
ဆာန် ခှ် ကီ က ဝါ ထီဉ် ဝဲ ဒုန် ဝး တ ခဲ ယ ဃာ။

၃. ဆာ ကာ ယဲ ဒုန် ထွာ အ သီ မိ ယီး မှ် နာ မှ် နာ၊
မာ စာ ယာ ဒီ ယ က ဟး လာ သွန် ဖျာန် ထွန် မိ လာ။

၄. ယီ သီ မှ် ထာ ဒီး နှ် ယဲ လာ န ထာ အိဉ် ခိး ယာ၊
ဒီ က တှာ လာ ထီဉ် ထာ မှု နှ် အိဉ် ဒီး ယာ စာ ဧ။

THE DISMISSAL

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Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #340.

Leader Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

All Thanks be to God.



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