# CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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The Second Sunday in Lent March 16, 2025 + 10:30 a.m.

# Holy Eucharist

## Preparation for Worship in God's Name

#### PRAYER OF MEDITATION

As the people gather before the service begins, we invite you to use the following prayer for meditation.

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Penitential Order

HYMN "Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth"

Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



-Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882-1969), alt.

Music: Mit Freuden zart, melody from "Une Pastourelle gnetille," 1529; adapt. Pseaumes cinquante de David, 1547, and Kirchengeseng die Heubartickel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset, 1566

## ACCLAMATION Remain standing.

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy endures for ever.

## SENTENCE FROM SCRIPTURE Remain standing.

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." Mark 12:29-31

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

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

All kneel, as able. Silence is kept for a space.

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. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON Standing, all who are able; everyone sings responsively with the cantor.



-Setting: McNeil Robinson (1943–2015)

## The Liturgy of the Word

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

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

#### FIRST LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Book of Genesis (15:1–12, 17–18).

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laving each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saving, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

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

## PSALM 27 Everyone sings.



-Setting: James Frazier (b. 1947)

- The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I <u>fear</u>? \* the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be a<u>fraid</u>?
- When evildoers came upon me to eat up my <u>flesh</u>, \* it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and <u>fell</u>.
- Though an army should encamp against me, \* yet my heart shall not be a<u>fraid;</u>
- 4 And though war should rise up against me, \* yet will I put my trust in him.
- One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I <u>seek;</u> \* that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my <u>life;</u>
- To behold the fair beauty of the <u>LORD</u> \* and to seek him in his <u>temple</u>.
- For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his <u>shelter</u>; \* he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a <u>rock</u>.
- 8 Even now he lifts up my <u>head</u> \* above my enemies round a<u>bout me</u>.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; \*

  I will sing and make music to the LORD.
- Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I <u>call</u>; \* have mercy on me and <u>answer me</u>.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my <u>face</u>." \* Your face, LORD, will I seek.
- Hide not your <u>face from me</u>, \* nor turn away your servant in dis<u>pleasure</u>.

(continued)

## PSALM 27 (continued)

- You have been my helper; cast me not away; \* do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 14 Though my father and my mother for<u>sake me</u>, \* the Lord will sus<u>tain me</u>.
- Show me your way, O <u>LORD</u>; \* lead me on a level path, because of my <u>enemies</u>.
- Deliver me not into the hand of my <u>adversaries</u>, \* for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak <u>malice</u>.
- What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the <u>LORD</u> \* in the land of the <u>living!</u>
- O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your <u>heart</u>; \* wait patiently for the <u>LORD</u>.

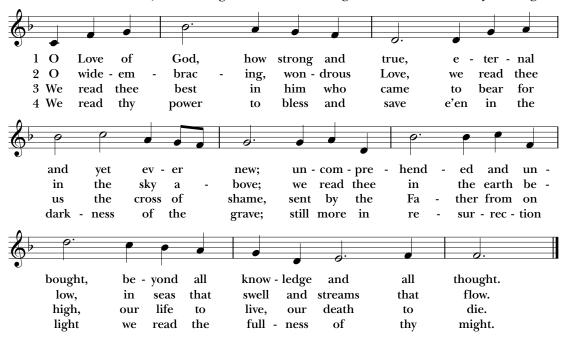
#### **SECOND LESSON**

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (3:17–4:1).

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

HYMN "O Love of God, how strong and true" Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



—Words: Horatious Bonar (1808–1889) Music: *Dunedin*, Vernon Griffiths (1894–1985)

## GOSPEL Remain standing.

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (13:31–35).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children may join Erin Keck for Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace.

#### **SERMON**

## A time for silent reflection follows the sermon.

NICENE CREED Standing, all who are able.

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. 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 Remain standing.

Leader: As we journey these forty days of Lent, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Hearken

to our voice, O Lord, when we call; Have mercy on us and answer us."

For your Church throughout the world, that its members may be bound together in your love and share your reconciling Word with all people. Hearken to our

voice, O Lord, when we call;

People: Have mercy on us and answer us.

Leader: For this nation and those with the responsibility of leadership, that they may be

guided by the Christ of justice, mercy, and humility. Hearken to our voice, O

Lord, when we call;

People: Have mercy on us and answer us.

Leader: For the whole human family, that all might know the comfort of enough and be

led by the Spirit in unity and peace. Hearken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

People: Have mercy on us and answer us.

Leader: For all for whom Knoxville is home, and especially for this community of Good

Samaritan. We pray for those who are celebrating birthdays. May their faith be strengthened and your will for them made clear. Hearken to our voice, O Lord,

when we call;

People: Have mercy on us and answer us.

Leader: For those who have asked for our prayers and those for whom we know to pray:

for all whose lives are devastated by poverty, injustice, instability, disease, or disaster, and for all those facing adversity; for the sick and the suffering, the homeless and the helpless; for those in the military, especially those who have been deployed; for the wider community of our families and friends; for our parishioners whom we now name, those we hold in our hearts, and those whose needs are known to you alone; that they may experience your comfort and

healing. We pray for...

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People: Have mercy on us and answer us.

Leader: For all those who have died, that they may rest in your eternal kingdom.

Hearken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

People: Have mercy on us and answer us.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of

your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son,

and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

#### **PEACE**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Holy Communion**

#### **OFFERTORY**

All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)

## **ANTHEM** Sung by the Choir.

## Children of the Heavenly Father

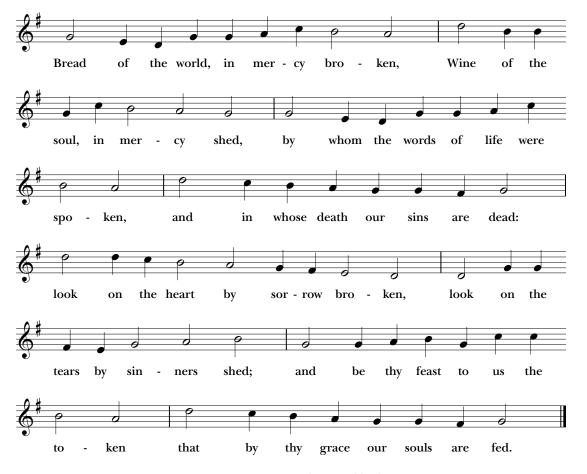
Children of the heavenly Father,
Safely in his bosom gather;
Nesting bird nor star in Heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.

Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord his children sever;
Unto them his grace he showeth,
And their sorrows all he knoweth.

God his own does tend and nourish;
In his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them;
In his mighty arms he bears them.
Though he giveth or he taketh,
God his children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them, pure and holy.

—Words: Carolina Sandell Berg (1832–1903); tr. E.W. Oldon (1870–1958)
 Music: Tryggare Kan Ingen Vara, Swedish folk melody, ,arr. Edwin Liemohn (1903–1972)

## HYMN "Bread of the world" Standing; everyone sings.



-Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

Music: Rendez a Dieu, melody attr. Louis Bourgeois (1510–1561)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Remain standing.

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar

space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth,

our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with

memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you

revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and

peace.

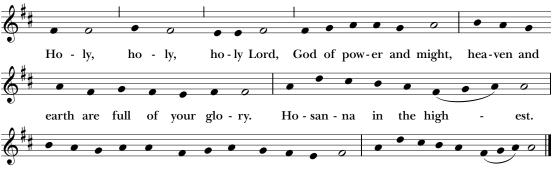
People: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets,

apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to

you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## Everyone sings:



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

-Setting: From New Plainsong, David Hurd (b. 1950)

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by

water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your

Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant: On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread,

and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection,

as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant: Lord God of our forebears: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and

Jacob and Rachel and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his

name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High

Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory,

and worship, from generation to generation.

All: AMEN.

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.

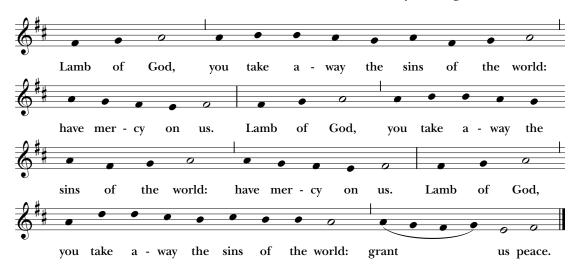
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. Everyone sings:



-Setting: From New Plainsong, David Hurd

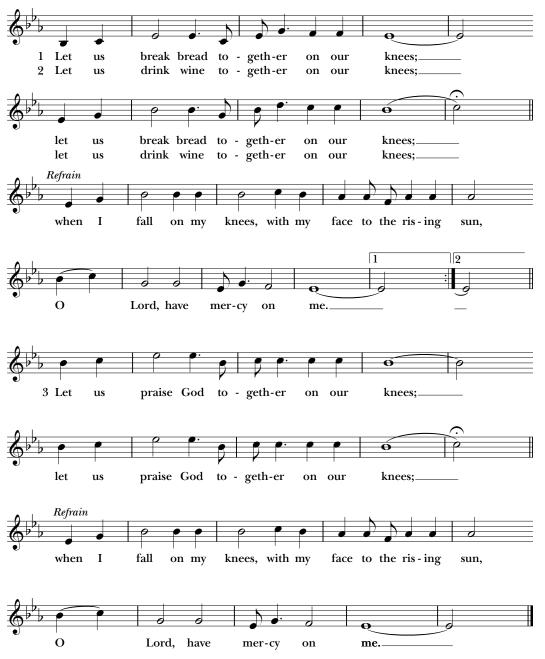
#### **INVITATION**

Celebrant:

This is the table not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom our Savior identified. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which our Lord became incarnate. This is the table of Jesus Christ. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a while or ever before; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and all of us who have failed. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. It is Christ who invites you to be known and loved and fed here.

#### **DURING COMMUNION**

HYMN "Let us break bread together" Everyone sings.

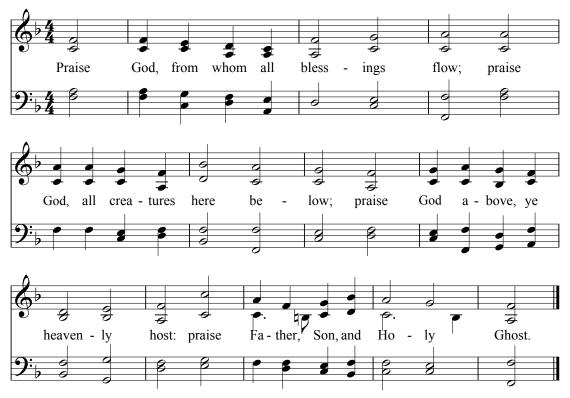


HYMN "Day by day" Everyone sings.



— Words: Att. Richard of Chichester (1197–1253) Music: Sumner, Arthur Henry Biggs (1906–1954)

DOXOLOGY Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



-Words: Thomas Ken, (1637-1711)

Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND MISSION Remain standing.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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.

## SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR Remain standing.

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, 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,

People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.

## SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE Remain standing.

This ancient form of blessing is given during Lent:

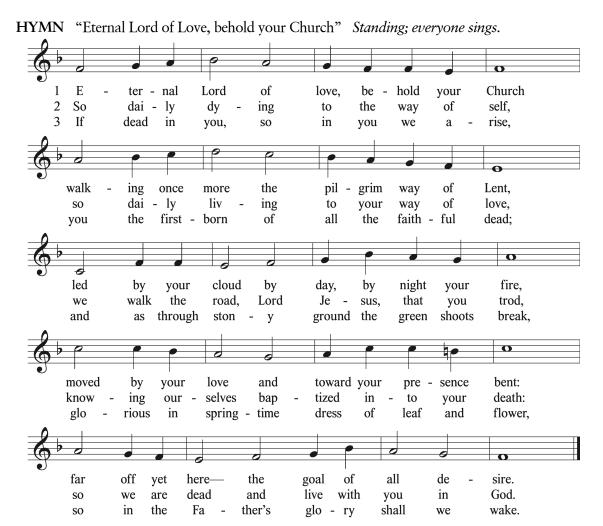
Celebrant: Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on

the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon

you and remain with always. Amen.



-Words: Thomas H. Cain (b. 1931)

Music: Old 124th, melody Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551

#### DISMISSAL

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

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