



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Third Sunday in Lent, Year C

March 7, 2010

BCP-Book of Common Prayer

WLP Hymnal-Wonder, Love and Praise

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

11:15 a.m.

The Reverend Mary Moore Roberson, Celebrant

Organ Voluntary Before Thy Throne (*Vater Unser im Himmelreich*)

Felix Mendelssohn

The Word of God

At the Procession

Hymnal #377 All people that on earth do dwell

Old 100th

A Penitential Order: Rite Two

The Decalogue

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Confession of Sin and Absolution

BCP 352

The Song of Praise Hymnal # S96 Lord, have mercy--*Kyrie eleison*

Franz Schubert

The Collect of the Day

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 Lessons

The Old Testament

Exodus 3:1-15

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 Gradual

Psalm 63:1-8 *Deus, Deus meus*

- 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 it/self; *
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 re/joyce.
- 8 My soul / clings to you; *
your right hand holds me / fast.

The Epistle

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.

At the Sequence

Hymnal #439 What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

The Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

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 Sermon The Reverend J. Fletcher Montgomery

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP 385

The Peace

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory: Turn Thy Face from My Sins

Thomas Attwood

Parker Gibson, Soloist; Chancel Choir

Hymn at the Presentation Hymnal #707 Take my life and let it be consecrated

Hollingside

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.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King;
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Hymnal #S130 Holy, holy, holy Lord--*Sanctus*

Franz Schubert

The Breaking of the Bread

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Hymnal #S164 Lamb of God--*Agnus dei*

Franz Schubert

Hymns at the Communion

Hymnal #575 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel
WLP #761 All who hunger gather gladly
Hymnal #517 How lovely is thy dwelling-place

Vater unser im Himmelreich
Holy Manna
Brother James' Air

People's response to the sending out of the Eucharistic Visitors:

May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence.

Postcommunion Prayer and Prayer over the People**BCP 365****Hymn at the Procession**

Hymnal #690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

Dismissal
