



Mobile, Alabama
First Sunday in Lent
February 22, 2026
The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
Ten o'clock in the morning

We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite One in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. Unless requested, applause isn't necessary; please give quiet thanks to God for the elements of worship that are meaningful for you.



*We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the alms basin so that we can know you better.
A nursery is available. A gentle reminder: please turn off all electronic devices before the service.
Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher.*

Welcome

Children's Chapel (Ages 4 to Grade 3) Children will gather at the back and process behind their crucifer. They will return at the time of the Peace.

The Word of God

All stand or kneel, as you are able.

The Great Litany

BCP 148

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,

Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

Have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful,

Have mercy upon us.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,

Have mercy upon us.

Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy preserve us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show it accordingly,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind into thy kingdom,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom upon all peoples,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all may enjoy them,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That It may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the common good,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or torn by strife,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing and infirm,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of all the saints, we may attain to thy heavenly kingdom,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Grant us thy peace.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 166

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



The Lessons

First Reading:

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.” [...] Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 32

Beati quorum

Please read responsively by whole verse.

BCP 624

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 **Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, ***
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; ***
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledge my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 **I said, “I will confess my transgression to the Lord.” ***
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 **You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; ***
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 “I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 **Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; ***
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you.”
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; ***
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Second Reading: *Romans 5:12-19*

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Ein feste Burg

A mighty fortress is our God v. 1, 2

Hymnal 688

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing: for still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing: dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his Name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

The Holy Gospel:

Matthew 4:1-11

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Sequence Hymn

Ein feste Burg

A mighty fortress is our God v. 3, 4

Hymnal 688

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us; we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph through us; the prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure, one little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth: let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still, his kingdom is for ever.

The Sermon

Cathedral Prayers

The Celebrant concludes with the following:

Almighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ear to us who have now made our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have asked faithfully according to thy will, may be obtained effectually, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Bob Chilcott
(b. 1955)

Thou knowest, Lord

Cathedral Choir

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts;
shut not thy merciful ears to our prayer;
but spare us, Lord, most holy, O God most mighty.
O holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy judge eternal,
suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee.

At the Presentation

Old 100th v. 3

Hymnal 380

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

America v. 4

Hymnal 717

**Our father's God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land
be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer I

BCP 333

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Celebrant continues: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. 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

Hymnal S-114

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

**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

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S-158

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.**

Celebrant and People:

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant: 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.

Music at Communion

Hal H. Hopson
(1933-2025)

A Lenten Walk Cathedral Choir

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.
We must walk this lonesome valley, we have to walk it by ourselves;
Oh, nobody else can walk it for us, we have to walk it by ourselves.

Jesus bore the cross of sorrow; he had to bear it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could bear it for him, he had to bear it by himself.
We must take our cross and follow; yes we must follow by ourselves;
Oh, nobody else can follow for us, we have to follow by ourselves.

Hymn

Uffingham
Hymnal 148

Creator of the earth and skies

Creator of the earth and skies, to whom the words of life belong,
grant us your truth to make us wise; grant us your power to make us strong.

We have not known you: to the skies our monuments of folly soar,
and all our self-wrought miseries have made us trust ourselves the more.

We have not loved you: far and wide the wreckage of our hatred spreads,
and evils wrought by human pride recoil on unrepentant heads.

For this, our foolish confidence, our pride of knowledge and our sin,
we come to you in penitence; in us the work of grace begin.

Teach us to know and love you, Lord, and humbly follow in your way.
Speak to our souls the quickening word, and turn our darkness into day.

Lay Eucharistic Visitor Commissioning

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 339

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Deo gracias

Hymnal 449

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.

For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his daily works he wrought:
by words and signs and actions, thus still seeking not himself, but us.

For us to wicked hands betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death; for us gave up his dying breath.

For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad;
the Trinity whom we adore for ever and for evermore.

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Dieterich Buxtehude

Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne in C, Bux WV 137

(1637-1707)



Please join us after the service for a time of hospitality in the Chapter House.

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CATHEDRAL PRAYERS

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servants the help of your power, that their sickness may be turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE PRAY FOR:

Members:

Patti Biel, Valrie Vanek, Jane White-Spunner, Lynn Betbeze Yankie, George Seymour, Patsy Seymour, Lisa Williams, Linda Dann-LeBlanc, Bill Butler, Ricky Bradford, Betty Reniewicz, Bill Christian, Emily-Marie Butler, Melvin Koger, Craig Pittman, Nancy Bryan, Jane Inge, Ed Crowson

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For Those Serving in the Military:

Marlin Brutkiewicz, Blake Hickey, Gray Stephens, Dylan Butler, Tripp Bennett, Jacob Hester-Heard, Cameron Morrisette, Dylan Thompson, Connor Roy, Charles Lewis, Richard Graham

Altar Greenery Designation:

To the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the wedding anniversary of Charlotte and Leigh Taylor.

Repose of the Soul:

Ray Downey

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

We pray for the Anglican Church in Ireland

Cathedral Cycle of Prayer:

Episcopal Relief and Development; Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

Episcopal Relief and Development Prayer

Loving and merciful God, you bestow your grace on all of your children: Remember our sisters and brothers throughout the world who, in partnership with Episcopal Relief & Development, strengthen communities, empower the poor, nourish the hungry, restore the sick and uplift those affected by disaster; and uphold Episcopal Relief & Development for the next seventy-five years, so that your Kingdom might be known to all people.

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer:

We pray for the Church in Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland; and Christians United Church, Mobile

Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer:

Blackwater River Correctional Facility, Milton



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LENT 2026 AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL



TODAY IS EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT SUNDAY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

The first Sunday in Lent is the day officially designated to encourage all Episcopalians to remember and support Episcopal Relief & Development's (ERD) life-saving mission. On the ministry table we have ERD envelopes and boxes available for you or your children to use for a Lenten offering.



MORNING PRAYER ON MONDAYS DURING LENT

MONDAYS, FEBRUARY 23, MARCH 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 AT 8:30 A.M. IN THE CHAPEL



CHORAL EVENSONG FEATURING THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

SUNDAY, MARCH 15 AT 5:00 P.M.

Among the many possible forms of Christian worship, the service of Evensong, also known as Evening Prayer, is remarkable both for the centuries-old liturgical tradition it represents and for the atmosphere of contemplative devotion enabling it to remain deeply meaningful for worshippers today. The liturgy traces its origins to the daily rites of the medieval church and has been said or sung regularly in its current form since the sixteenth century. All the words have been shaped and refined by long use and by renewed attempts to express the mysteries of God. For some people it is music, not words, that carries them into the presence of God: and for others it is silence. Most of us need all three—words, music and silence—to lead us into the spirit of worship.



ADULT INQUIRER'S CLASS: "CHRISTIANITY 101"

In the Chapel beginning on Sunday, February 22 at 11:30 and Wednesday, February 25 at 6:00 p.m.
through Sunday, March 22 and Wednesday, March 25



THE DEAN'S BIBLE STUDY: LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

WEDNESDAYS AT NOON IN THE CHAPEL OR VIA ZOOM



DAILY LENTEN READING

Reading the gospel from the daily lectionary together during Lent is a way to bind together our individual Lenten journeys with one shared story.



YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS

Meeting once a week for 90 minutes beginning Sunday, February 22, and running for six weeks through the week of Sunday, April 12.



LENTEN MATERIALS AND LINKS

Lenten materials for all ages are found on a table in the Chapter House or are posted on the Lenten page of our website.



MINISTERS FOR TODAY

Celebrant and Preacher.....The Very Reverend Beverly F. Gibson
 Assisting The Reverend Thomas K. Heard
 Deacon..... The Reverend Pratt Paterson
 Psalmist and IntercessorGinny Behlen
 Chalice Bearers..... Carolyn Jeffers, Skip Archer
 Lay Readers Douglas Kearley, Bragg Van Atwerp
 Crucifers..... George Seawell, Frances Van Antwerp
 Acolytes..... Charles Van Antwerp, Emily Seawell
 Vestry GreeterSusan Leach
 Ushers..... Lewis Golden, Henry Seawell, John Ruzic
 Altar Guild.....Barbara Archer, Skip Archer, Ginny Behlen, Robbie Lynn Irvine,
 Leslie Ladd, Rosemarie McClure, Lucy Harrison, Joan Myers, Bill Haffner
 Flower Guild Homer McClure
 HospitalityLaura Rutherford, Tray Hamil, Linda Ross, Brenda Stanton,
Charlotte Taylor, Lissa Watkins, Hayley Van Antwerp



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

CATHEDRAL OF THE DIOCESE OF THE CENTRAL GULF COAST

The Right Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, *Bishop*
 The Very Reverend Beverly F. Gibson, Ph.D., *Rector and Dean*
 The Reverend Pratt Paterson, *Deacon*
 The Reverend Thomas K. Heard, *Priest Associate*
 Dr. Joshua H. Coble, *Organist and Choirmaster*
 Mollie A. Adams, Myles Garver, *Cathedral Soloists*
 Andy R. Palileo, *Audio-Visual Specialist*
 Sabrina Evans, *Children's and Family Program Coordinator*

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