

The Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025



*St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Lakewood, Ohio*

WELCOME TO SAINT PETER'S CHURCH!

Livestreaming begins at 9:50 a.m., and the service begins at 10:00 a.m.

The service can be found on the St. Peter's YouTube page at:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5r-XEvAg8xKiEl2jnl_s7g

This bulletin contains the readings and an outline for worship this morning.

NAME TAGS: These can be found at the end of every pew. PLEASE wear one! Whether you have been attending here for 50 years or 50 minutes, wearing a name tag helps everyone get to know one another!

IF YOU ARE NEW THIS MORNING: Please take a moment to fill out one of the NEW? VISITING? cards at the end of the pew rack, and then place it in the alms basin at the offering. Or you can sign our guestbook by the tower door on your way out so that we can properly welcome you to St. Peter's!

A WORD ABOUT OFFERINGS: Loose cash and coins put in our offering plates on Sundays are used to fund important ministries in the wider community. Your loose cash donations will go to the Outreach Partner of the Month. However, if you prefer instead that your cash offerings go to church operations, or if you would like a tax receipt, you must put your offerings into an envelope and provide your first and last name. These donation envelopes can be found at the end of every pew.

A WORD ABOUT COMMUNION: We offer bread** and wine during Holy Communion. We believe that we receive the full benefit of the sacrament in each kind. You are invited to receive the wine from the chalice by drinking. A second, smaller chalice is available for intinction; gently touch the wafer to the wine in the smaller chalice.

RESTROOMS: Our restrooms are located between the Church and the Chapel off the Narthex.

CHILDREN: Before worship begins, all children are welcome to join our Children and Youth Minister, Michelle Killin-Keith, for Christian Formation Classes held in the Fellowship Narthex located outside the Chapel. Children are also welcome to attend the service; activity sheets are available at the back of the church for their use. Children may also use the carpet in the front of the church to participate in an activity and be part of the service.

COFFEE HOUR: Please join us for Coffee Hour which takes place in the Narthex after the 10:00 a.m. service. During the summer months, lemonade will be service on the plaza instead.

**** *Gluten-free wafers are available – please alert the priest so we can accommodate you.***

The Holy Eucharist

The Prelude Prelude on Michael

Charles Callahan (1951- 2023)

The Church bells ring an “Angelus” to announce the beginning of worship. All stand.

A Penitential Rite

The Entrance Hymn 401 The God of Abraham praise
(At 10:00 a.m. only.)

Leoni

A Penitential Order: Rite Two

(Please stand as you are able.)

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures forever.

(Please kneel as you are able as the Decalogue is said.)

Celebrant Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Honor your father and mother.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit murder.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not be a false witness.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *(Hebrews 4:14,16)*

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

The Celebrant and the People say together:

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.

(The Kyrie Eleison is spoken at the 8:00 a.m. service. It is sung at the 10:00 a.m. service.)

Kyrie Eleison S96.....*Schubert/Proulx*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People Christ, have mercy.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. 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.

People Amen.

(Please be seated.)

The Lessons

Lector A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

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, laying 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, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates." (*Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18*)

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

(*The Psalm is spoken at the 8:00 a.m. service. It is sung by the choir at the 10:00 a.m. service.*)
Psalm 27:1, 5-13

- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *
 the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 5 One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; *
 that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord *
 and to seek him in his temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
 he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head *
 above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *
 I will sing and make music to the Lord.
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; *
 have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
 Your face, Lord, will I seek.
- 12 Hide not your face from me, *
 nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
 do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Lector A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians.

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. (*Philippians 3:17-4:1*)

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

All stand (at 10:00 a.m. only)

The Sequence Hymn 675 Take up your cross, the Savior said.....*Bourbon*

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
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.'"

(Luke 13:31-35)

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon *Father Mike Lager*

(Please stand as you are able.)

The Nicene Creed.....358

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor In peace, let us pray together, saying "Christ have mercy."

Intercessor For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming. For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Anne our Bishop, for Mike and Nathan our priests, for our Vestry, staff, volunteers, and for all the people of God.

Intercessor We pray to you, merciful savior.

People Christ have mercy.

Intercessor For the mission of the Church, the Ministries we support, especially LifeAct, our Outreach Community Partner this month, that in faithful witness we may share the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Intercessor We pray to you, merciful savior.

People Christ have mercy.

Intercessor For the peace of the world, especially for countries at war, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples. For our President, our Governor and our legislators in this time of political acrimony; for all who hold positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person.

Intercessor We pray to you, merciful savior.

People Christ have mercy.

Intercessor For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster.

Intercessor We pray to you, merciful savior.

People Christ have mercy.

Intercessor For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected. For those who serve our world as they work to relieve the suffering of others.

Intercessor We pray to you, merciful savior.

People Christ have mercy.

Intercessor For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal. Today we remember _____, and any others who you now name, either silently in your own heart or aloud so others might pray with you.

Intercessor We pray to you, merciful savior.

People Christ have mercy.

Intercessor For our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from all anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health. Today in our parish we offer our prayers for those who need the healing graces of God: Dave, Clinton, Ernie & Cindy, Dorothy, Christopher, Bob, Patricia, J, Joyce, Anida, Molly, Joanne, Pat, Jim & Linda, and Peggy, and any others who you now name, either silently in your own heart or aloud so others might pray with you.

Intercessor We pray to you, merciful savior.

People Christ have mercy.

Celebrant Accept the fervent prayers of your people, O Lord; in the vastness of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and upon 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.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All now greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Announcements *(Please see back pages for upcoming events.)*

8:00 a.m. service: Matthew Hout-Reilly, Vestry

10:00 a.m. service: Naomi Opdycke, Vestry

March Community Outreach Partner *LifeAct (provides suicide-prevention programs)*

The Offertory Anthem

Almighty and everlasting God,
Mercifully look upon our infirmities,
And in all dangers and necessities,
Stretch for your right hand to help and defend us,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Text: Book of Common Prayer
Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)*

The Presentation Hymn 380 (verse 3) Praise to God.....*Doxology Old Hundredth*

The Liturgy of the Table

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharist Prayer B	(BCP)
Salutation	367
The Sanctus <i>Holy, Holy, Holy (S124; David Hurd, b. 1950)</i>	367
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The Breaking of the Bread	368
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The Prayer for Spiritual Communion *(at 10:00 a.m. only)*

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you our praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our soul and body with the earnest knowledge that we are always united to you in our baptism. And since today we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to join our hearts with all who faithfully receive this day. May we live forever in your love. Amen.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament, then immediately deliver it to the people.
Please make your way to the communion rail at the instruction of the Ushers.*

The Communion Hymn 372 *Weary of all trumpeting, weary of all killing*.....*Distler*

The Sending of the Eucharistic Minister

Celebrant I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those who receive them may share with us in the communion of the Body and Blood of Christ.

People We, who are many, are one body because we share one bread and one cup.

The Eucharistic minister departs.

(Please stand as you are able.)

The Blessing

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant and the People say together:

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.

The Mission Hymn 473 *Lift high the cross*.....*Crucifer*

The Sending of the Congregation

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ our Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *God of grace and God of glory*.....*Paul Manz (1919-2009)*

*Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Narthex following the 10:00 a.m. service,
hosted by Beth O'Rourke (Verger), Heidi Demaline, Adam & Tiffani Dietrick,
Dennis Driscoll & Susan Murnane, and Steve Felder.*

Serving Today:

March 16, 2025: The Second Sunday in Lent		
	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Lector	Jan Babbit	Joanne Hull John Rich
Intercessor	Sara Ferry	Julie Steigerwald
Acolyte/Crucifer	Mark Lekan	Rory Taylor
Ushers	Tren Cheshier	Liz Crosby (TEAM LEADER)
		Tucker Handley
		Joseph Jacoby
Chalicer	Tren Cheshier	Joanne Hull
		Colin McConnell
Bell Ringer	Jan Babbit	Joseph Jacoby
Verger		Liz Crosby
Nursery (Ages Two & Under):		Annika Mintzlaff & Amanda Chambers
Preschool (Ages Three & Four):		Kelly Martin & Sara Marscher
Elementary (K thru 5th-Grade):		Kim Lager & Monica Jochum
MS/HS Study:		Michelle Killin-Keith & Keith Jochum
Videographer: Jim Cofer		
LEV: Tom Newman		
Chancel Guild: Team 3: Linda Lange		

Serving Next Week (March 23, 2025):

March 23, 2025: The Third Sunday in Lent		
	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Lector	Dan Hout-Reilly	Sarah Taylor Brad Vandrask
Intercessor	Gina Massetti	Jeff Tennant
Acolyte/Crucifer	Alison LaRosa	John Rich & Jim Cofer
Ushers	Dan Hout-Reilly	John Yingling (TEAM LEADER)
		Sarah Taylor
		Cynthia Yoder
		Holly & Kevin St. Clair
Chalicer	Tren Cheshier	Beth O'Rourke
		Linda Purdy
Bell Ringer	Dan Hout-Reilly	Colin McConnell
Verger		Sarah Taylor
Nursery (Ages Two & Under):		Annika Mintzlaff & Amanda Chambers
Preschool (Ages Three & Four):		Kelly Martin & Sara Marscher
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MS/HS Study:		Michelle Killin-Keith & Keith Jochum
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LEV: Angie Whidden		
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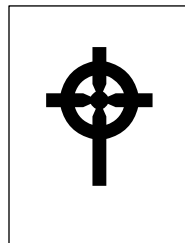
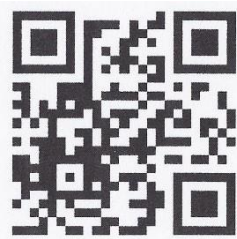
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Sunday Services: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing: Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Oratory



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