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GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA
Walking in Love, Welcoming All

The Rev. Seldon Walker, Rector

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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

THE WORD OF GOD

Silent Procession

The Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People His mercy endures for ever. Amen.

The Decalogue

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 your 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.

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence may be kept.*)

Minister and People

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.

The Absolution

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.

Trisagion

Trisagion, *setting: Hurd*, from *Enriching our Music*

Holy God, Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy on us.

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. Amen.

The First Lesson

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

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

Psalm 22:22-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

- 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

The Second Lesson

Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

Hymn 691, My faith looks up to thee *music: Olivet*

- 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day be wholly thine.
- 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire; as thou has died for me,
O may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire.
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day;
Wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Mark 8:31-38

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Seldon Walker

A period of silence for reflection will follow the sermon.

The Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor We have been birthed for holiness in Christ, by whose arduous labor we are awakened to life. That the wounds of our crucified Christ may not be in vain, let us pray to the Lord, saying: Loving God, have mercy.

People For the whole church catholic, for an end to our divisions, for all who lead and all who minister, and for all the baptized, we pray:
Loving God, have mercy.

Intercessor For all who seek the living waters of baptism, and for all sponsors, we pray:
Lord, in your mercy:

People **Loving God, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the nations, for peacemakers, for all the world's peoples, for the governing authorities in every city and state, and for the wealthy and free to uplift the poor and oppressed, we pray:

People **Loving God, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the will to give all your people access to your grace, and for the will to supply food and sustenance to all the world's people, we pray:

People **Loving God, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all whom we avoid, those we consider ungodly, the outcasts and the beggars, the downtrodden, for our enemies, and for an end to our hardness of heart, we pray:

People **Loving God, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who yearn for health, for the handicapped, for those in mental anguish or spiritual turmoil, for the incurably ill, and for all who remember and care for them, especially David Landgraf, Harland Ketchum, Kevin Ketchum, Ann Kirkales, Jesse Bracken, Jerri Hyle, Ryan Henry, Mit Tuovila, and Brian Wilson, we pray:

People **Loving God, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the hearts to do what is good and right and true, and for humility before Christ, that we may never murmur against you, O holy God, we pray:

People **Loving God, have mercy.**

Intercessor We praise you, God of our hope, for all the faithful before us who entered into your labors and worshiped you in truth, especially Phil Bowditch and Reba Petit. That we may live faithful to eternal life, we pray:

People **Loving God, have mercy.**

Celebrant Pour your love into our hearts, O God of peace. Give us joy in our suffering, endurance in trials, character in times of weakness, and hope in adversity. So we may live, birthed always anew in you, who has given everything for our life, now and forever. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Welcome, Thanksgivings, and Announcements

Offerings to the Thanksgiving Basket for February will go to York County Food Closet.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

The Offertory

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.**

Then the Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *A proper preface is said...*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus S-130 setting: Schubert

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Then the Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

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

Celebrant and People

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

Fraction Anthem Hymn 301, Bread of the world in mercy broken, *music: Rendez à Dieu*

Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
by whom the words of life were spoken,
and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sorrow broken,
look on the tears by sinner shed;
and be thy feast to us the token
that by thy grace our souls are fed.

Invitation to Spiritual Communion

Celebrant

Jesus, with all the faithful who gather in your Holy Name this day, we join in praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. We believe that you are truly present in this bread and this wine. We believe that, in your goodness, you unite us, wherever we are, as one body. Although we cannot physically gather at this time, we pray that you come into our hearts and join us with you and with one another in bonds of love.

Celebrant and People

In this holy moment, I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebrant and People

Lord of the Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table and we lament our distance now. Be present Lord Jesus as you were present with your disciples, be known to us in the breaking of the bread, and may your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your Church until we can gather together again. We ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.

Solemn Prayer over the People

As able, the people are invited to kneel.

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.

Dismissal

<i>Celebrant</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Dismissal Hymn

Hymn LEVAS II 208, We've come this far by faith

*We've come this far by faith,
Leaning on the Lord;
Trusting in His holy word,
He's never failed me ye.
O can't turn around.
We've come this far by faith.*

Don't be discouraged when trouble's in your life.
He'll bear your burdens and move all misery and strife.
That's why...

Service Assistants

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PRAYERS OF THE PARISH

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Phil Bowditch, Reba Pettit

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY

Adrian Bogart III, Adrian Bogart IV, Meghan Collins, James Gouger, J.J. Jones, Thomas Lopez, Andrew Sainsbury, Parker Sandford, Jack Tartala, Donald Washburn, and William Washburn.

WE PRAY FOR OUR HEALTH CARE WORKERS

Kyle Boyce (son of Debra and Art Boyce) and his partner Lauren Eary, Jessica Harvey (daughter in law of Jeanne and Gary Harvey), Maura McCarley (daughter of Christy and Britt) and her roommate, Genis.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE SPECIAL NEEDS AND CONCERNS OF THE PARISH

Ann Krikales (mother of Betty Burgess), David Landgraf, Harland Ketchum, Kevin Ketchum (son of Avis and Harland Ketchum), Jesse Bracken (friend of Jean Kirkham), Jerri Hyle, Ryan Henry (son of Nancy Henry), Mit Tuovila, Brian Wilson, Dorris Graves, Foster Ryan, Sarah Farmer, Lou Stack, Gary King, Dee Holland Brock and Melitta Holland (family of Sandy Armstrong), Sue Cundiff, Rachel Clark Dixon (niece of Cheryl Clark), Dixie Donato (mother of April Coulter) and the residents and staff of Premier Washington Health Care 1, Dick Swift

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