

## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 28, 2021

**Prelude**      Variations on “The Glory of These Forty Days”      *Erbalt uns, Herr*  
*David Cranford, piano*

**Hymn #143**      “The glory of these forty days”      *Erbalt uns, Herr*  
*Verses 1 and 5 only*



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
\*5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Presider*      Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People*      *God's mercy endures for ever.*

### Summary of the Law

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."

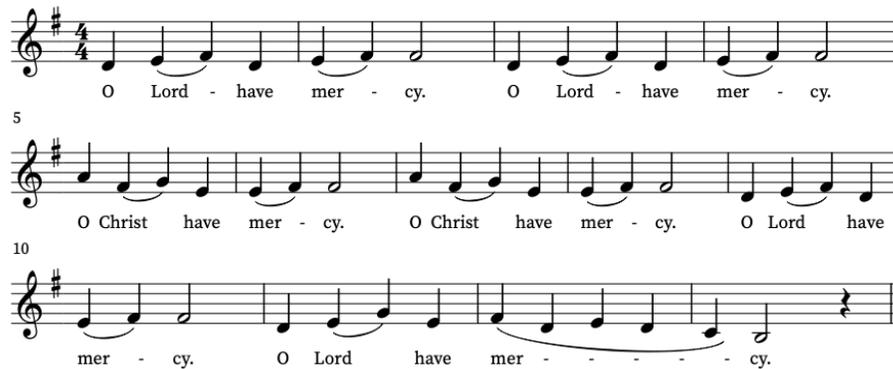
*Mark 12:29-31*

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

*Presider* 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* “O Lord Have Mercy”



O Lord - have mer - cy. O Lord - have mer - cy.  
5  
O Christ have mer - cy. O Christ have mer - cy. O Lord have  
10  
mer - cy. O Lord have mer - - - - cy.

### **Collect of the Day**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*All* ***And also with you.***

*Presider* Let us pray.

*All* 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.



**26 Cantor**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn / to the LORD, \*  
and all the families of the na/tions shall *bow* be-fore him.

**27 All**

For kingship belongs / to the LORD; \*  
he / rules o-ver the na-tions.

**28 Cantor**

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow / down in worship; \*  
all who go down to the / dust fall *be-fore* him.

**29 All**

My soul shall live for him;  
my descen/dants shall serve him; \*  
they shall be known / as the *Lord's* for *ev-er*.

**29 Cantor**

They shall come and make known to a / people yet unborn \*  
saving / deeds that *he has* done.

**Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25**

A Reading from Romans.

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* Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn: LEVAS #124** "Give me a clean heart" Margaret J. Douroux

Give me a clean heart so I may serve  
Thee. Lord, fix my heart so that I may be used by  
thee. For I'm not wor - thy of all these bless -  
ings. Give me a clean heart and I'll fol-low thee.

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**Gospel Reading: Mark 8:31-38**

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon** The Rev. Bob Wyatt

Nicene Creed      *Said by all.*

*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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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**

*Presider*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Leader*

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;

*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;

*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Paula, Julio, and Joseph; for Kendall and Mary Kay, and for all bishops and other ministers;

*For all who serve God in the Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation including **Sylvia, Nancy, Jeremy, Nick and Sherry, Kevin, David, Liam, M'Siah, Dan and Chris, Richard** (Martin), **Eunice** (Lewis), **Laura** (Rabb, Carla Bukalski's sister-in-law), **Bob** (Wyatt), **Devin, Steven** (Titiner, friend of Katie Kearns), **Destini and Perryman Families**; and for others we now name . . . . . *Amen.*

Hear us, Lord;

*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life including the birthdays this week of **Stuart** Nelsen (2/28), **Alec** Schiess (3/1), **Jean** Caffey Lyles (3/2), **George** Ebright (3/2), **Carla** Lawless (3/2), **Ben** Harrison (3/3) **William** Walters (3/6); we remember **Katherine** Ahlborn (3/6); and other blessings we now name . . . . . *Amen.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died; and others we now name . . . that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*Who put their trust in you.*

*Presider* Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The Peace

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

*All greet one another in the name of Christ.*

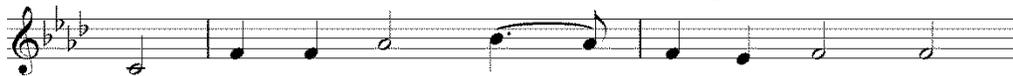
## Welcome and Announcements

### Hymn #675

“Take up your cross, the Savior said”

*Bourbon*

*Verses 1, 2, 3 and 4 only*



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if  
2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill  
3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and  
4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and  
5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor



1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with  
2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your  
3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -  
4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -  
5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.  
2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.  
3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.  
4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.  
5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

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## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### The Great Thanksgiving

### Eucharistic Prayer 1

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* *We lift them up to the Lord.*

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose

again. 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:

**Sanctus** *Sung by all* David Hurd

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The people stand or kneel. The Presider continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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." As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

*The Presider continues:*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we long for the day when we can again share the bread and wine together. Until that day, remind us that every meal is holy and that your Son awaits an invitation to our table. Though we cannot receive the body of Christ, send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might be the Body of Christ in our homes and in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Christopher and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

*Presider*

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.***

*Silence*

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

*The People pray together the following*

***God of infinite mercy,  
We thank you for Jesus our Savior, our true Mother  
Who feeds us and gives us eternal life.  
Though we cannot consume the gifts of bread and wine,  
We thank you that we have received the sacrament of Christ's presence,  
The forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion.***

*Grant that we may continue for ever in the Risen Life of our Savior,  
Who with you and the Holy Spirit,  
Lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

*Silence, and then the People join in this prayer:*

*Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with your Word and living presence among us,  
and for assuring us  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

### Solemn Prayer over the People

*Presider* Bow down before the Lord.

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

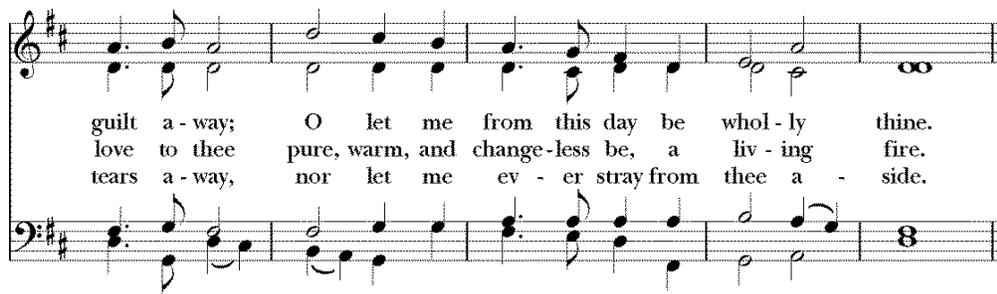
### Hymn #691

“My faith looks up to thee”

*Olivet*

*Verses 1 and 2 only*

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,  
3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,  
Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my  
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my  
be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor - row's



guilt a-way; O let me from this day be whol-ly thine.  
 love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv-ing fire.  
 tears a-way, nor let me ev-er stray from thee a-side.

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## Dismissal

*Presider* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Serving Today

### Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalm: Psalm 22:22-30

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 4:13-25

Gospel: Mark 8:31-38

### 8AM Lectors

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: John Ramsey

Psalm: Gretchen Straw

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: John Ramsey

### Prayers of the People

Gretchen Straw

### Voice of the People

Bob Jones

### 11 AM Lectors

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: David Crawford

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hal Rees

### Prayers of the People

Bill Pearson

### Voice of the People

Mary Kay Tobin

### Altar Guild

Julie Dulski

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