

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

and also with you.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and
worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Welcome

Purify my heart,
let me be as gold and precious silver.
Purify my heart,
let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
is to be holy; set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy;
set apart for you, my master,
ready to do your will.*

Purify my heart,
cleanse me from within and make me holy.
Purify my heart,
cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

*Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
is to be holy; set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy;
set apart for you, my master,
ready to do your will.*

Brian Doerksen

Confession

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken
and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us
come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence
and faith.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,**

**in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy
upon you, pardon and deliver you from
all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's
sufferings, and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reading

Sandra Gee

A reading from the book of Genesis chapter 17,
verses 1 to 7, and 15 to 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.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him king of glory now;
this the Father's pleasure, that we call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty word.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came;
faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious
when from death he passed.

Name him, Christians, name him,
with love strong as death,
but with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;
he is God the saviour, he is Christ the Lord,
ever to be worshipped, trusted and adored.

In your hearts enthrone him;
there let him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true;
crown him as your captain in temptation's hour,
let his will enfold you in its light and power.

With his Father's glory Jesus comes again,
angel hosts attend him and announce his reign;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him king of glory now.

Caroline M Noel

Gospel Reading

Graham New

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Blessed are those who have endured temptation;
they have stood the test and will receive the
crown of life.

James 1.12

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to St Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus began to teach them 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 Jesus 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."

Jesus 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."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We listen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P-6a25Yo2wE>

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

Marie Hildreth

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and
teach us to pray.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours, now and for ever.
Amen.**

We sing

To God be the glory, great things he hath done:
so loved he the world that he gave us his son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.*

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God.
The vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.*

Great things he hath taught us,
great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.*

Lou Fellingham

Peace

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross. We meet in his name
and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you

We offer a sign of peace to one another

Dismissal

This is love, not that we loved God,
but that he loved us and sent his Son.

Jesus is the sacrifice for our sins,
that we might live through him.

If God loves us so much
we ought to love one another.

If we love one another

God lives in us.

cf I John 4.12

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny
yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing ...

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.