



**ST. DAVID'S ON-THE-HILL
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
Morning Prayer
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 21, 2021
The Reverend James Jacob, Priest

Prelude

A Penitential Order: Rite Two **BCP 351**

Celebrant: Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins

People: **His mercy endures forever.**

Confession of Sin **BCP 352**

Trisagion: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One **BCP 356**
Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **BCP 357**

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect for the Day: Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

First Reading: A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah, Chapter 31: 31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Psalm 51: 1-13

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.

5 And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.

6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.

7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.

11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.

12 Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.

13 Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning is now and forever

Second Reading: A Reading from the Book of the Hebrews, Chapter 5: 5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, Lord Christ

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend James Jacob

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

Led by Christ in our journey of repentance and moved by his compassion, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. We especially pray for the Episcopal Church Women. (silence)

Gracious God, keep your church firm in faith, so that it might trust in your goodness even when the way is difficult and the future seems bleak. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As the earth spins through another change of season, awaken trees and flowers from their winter's rest. Bring forth grain from the earth and fruit from the vine. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring peace to nations devastated by war and violence and especially remember our service members: Jake Knight, Elizabeth Butler and Matthew Paiva. Teach leaders to trust in your deep and abiding peace and make all of us instruments of that holy peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You come into a broken world that is never beyond your repair. Heal those who feel the effects of illness and injury in body, mind, or spirit especially Sue, Vinny, Ronnie, Norman, Ray, Denise, Paul, Brad, Elaine, David, Michael, Bob and MJ. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your thanksgiving for the looming availability of the COVID vaccine and for those on the front lines especially Lynne Schoer, Cheryl Boscia, Lyndsey Bain, Amy Sundstrom, Karen Furia, Rachel Briden, Paul Correa and Alan Cotnoir. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Remember your covenant with us, and write it on our hearts until we join with all the saints around your heavenly throne. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

The Peace

**The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer A**

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The Sanctus

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The Lords Prayer

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Blessing

Postlude