



# ST. DAVID'S ON-THE-HILL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2024

The Rt. Reverend W. Nicholas Knisely  
Episcopal Bishop of Rhode Island

The Reverend Edward G. Beaudreau, Jr.  
Priest-in-Charge

Entrance Hymn: "Lift High the Cross" H 473

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two BCP 355

Kyrie: Lord, have mercy. HS 96

**Collect for the Day:** Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## Old Testament

### The First Lesson: A Reading from Numbers Chapter 21: 4-9

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the

serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

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

### **Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22**

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim \*  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; \*  
from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the south.
- 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; \*  
they were afflicted because of their sins.
- 18 They abhorred all manner of food \*  
and drew near to death's door.
- 19 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them \*  
and saved them from the grave.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

## **The Second Lesson: A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians Chapter 2: 1-10**

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

The Word of the Word      **People: Thanks be To God**

**Gradual Hymn: "Come Thou Font"**

**H 686**

**The Gospel The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 3: 14-21**

Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.



**Blessing:**

**HS 173**

**Closing Hymn: “Guide me O Thou Great”**

**H 690**

**We especially pray for our Service Members: Jake & Christie Knight, Elizabeth Butler, Matthew Paiva, Debbie Cox, Corbin Warner, Andrew Turner and Rachel Beaudreau.**

**We also keep all those who suffer with illness in our prayers: Gerri, Paul, Wendy, Norly, Kyle, Sandy, Jennifer, Christine, Jim, Joe, Mary Lou, Jessica, Bob, Paul J, Tara, Fred, Anne, Claudia, Elaine, Andre, Terri, David, Michael B., Matt B., Grace, Marjorie, Bill, Joseph, Tom, James, Beth, Max, Jack, Diane and Vinnie.**

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