

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at 8 a.m. March 10, 2024: The Fourth Sunday in Lent

THE WORD OF GOD

| All stand as the Celeb | brant enters the Chapel. |
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| Penitential Order and Decalogue | BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 351 |
| Kyrie | BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 356 |
| The Collect of the Day All remain stanPriestThe Lord be with youPeopleAnd also with you.PriestLet us pray. | 0 |
| The Readings The Lesson The Psalm The Epistle The Holy Gospel | The texts of the Readings are provided inside |
| | y to you, Lord Christ. se to you, Lord Christ. |
| The Homily | |
| The Nicene Creed All standing | BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 358 |
| The Prayers of the People | |
| The Peace All may greet one another in the Lor | d's name. |

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Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer All stand. The four Prayer Book forms of the Eucharistic Prayer begin on page 361. Following the proclamation of "Holy, holy, holy," the congregation may stand or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer (traditional form) BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 364

The Breaking of the Bread A brief silence is kept.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Altar rail. Those not wishing to receive Communion may come forward for a blessing.

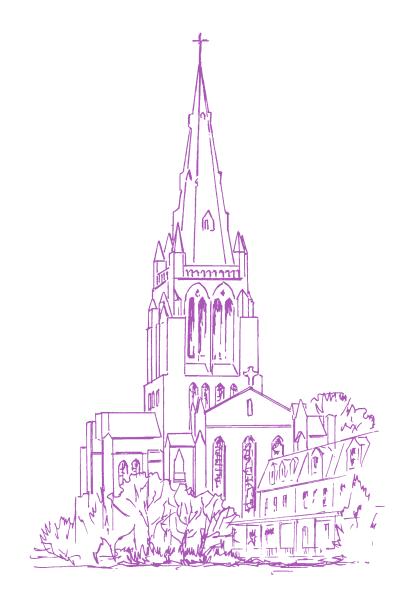
Post-Communion Prayer BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 365 or 366 All pray together, kneeling.

The Blessing

Dismissal All respond: Thanks be to God.



The Fourth Sunday in Lent March 10, 2024 9 a.m. The Holy Eucharist, Rite II



Prelude on O Lamb of God, Unspotted

Johann Sebastian Bach

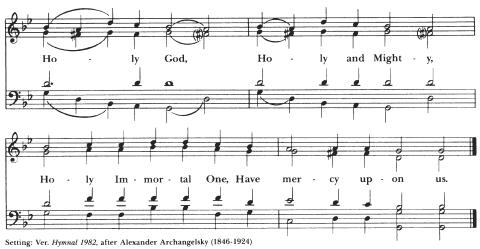
THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as the ministers enter.

Penitential Order & Decalogue

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 351

Trisagion sung three times



Collect of the Day

The Readings All sit for the Lessons and Psalm.

| The Lesson | | Numbers 21:4-9 |
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| Psalm 107:1 | -3, 17-22 All say together. | |
| The Epistle | | Ephesians 2:1-10 |
| Sequence Hy | ymn Rock of ages, cleft for | me HYMNAL, 685 |
| Response befo | ospel <i>All standing</i> Fore the Gospel Glory to y ter the Gospel Praise to y | |
| The Homily | | Rabbi Aaron Bisno |
| The Nicene Cree | ed Congregation standing | BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 358 |
| Intercessor C | he People <i>Congregation stand</i> O Lord, we put our trust i have mercy on us. | 0 |
| | The peace of the Lord be a And also with you. <i>All may greet one</i> | |

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

| Offertory Hymn Bread of the world, in mercy broken All stand and sing together. | a Hymnal, 301 |
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| Eucharistic Prayer A BOOK OF | COMMON PRAYER, page 361 |
| Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord All sing together Hymnal "S"–numbers refer to Service Music, printed at The service continues on page 362 of THE BOOK OF | |
| The Lord's Prayer All say together | |
| The Breaking of the Bread (A brief silence is kept.) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the work have mercy of the sins of the sins of the work have mercy of the sins of the sins of the work have mercy of the sins of t | orld: orld: OMMUNION oly Communion. forward for a blessing. |
| Postcommunion Prayer All say together BOOK OF | Соммон Prayer, page 366 |
| The Blessing | |
| Final Hymn The glory of these forty days | Hymnal, 143 |
| Dismissal All respond Thanks be to God. | |
| Postlude Fugue in A minor | Bach |
| All who wish to listen to the postlude from the Choir St | talls are invited to do so. |

Classes begin at 10 a.m.: Christian Formation for children and youth; Gospel & Breakfast with Young Adult Ministry and Parents of Little Ones in the Evans Room; The Priest and Rabbi Class in McClintic Hall.



Join us at 10 a.m. in McClintic Hall

Rabbi Aaron Bisno and the Rev. Jonathon Jensen continue to teach a class together. We will focus on the great stories of Judaism in the Book of Genesis. Sessions are recorded and posted to Calvary's YouTube page with a link in the Friday email. All are welcome to attend. Those wishing to make offerings by electronic transfer may use this QR Code to do so:





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Ian Everhart

Lisa Nevola

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Please feel free to contact any of our clergy. We are ready to help.

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Our Parish Life

Music at Calvary

Evensong for the month of March will take place **Today at 5 p.m.,** with an extended prelude played by local lutenist Alfonse Ciaccio beginning at 4:45. Please join us then, and on **Palm Sunday afternoon, March 24, also at 5 p.m.,** for a musical meditation on the Passion, a service somewhat reminiscent of Lessons and Carols, built around the narrative of the Passion and some of the beautiful musical responses that story has inspired from composers across the centuries.

Evening Prayer

As one of your Lenten disciplines, consider joining with other parishioners at Calvary for the service of Evening Prayer at 6 p.m. in the Lady Chapel each Monday and Thursday of Lent. **We'll meet each Monday and Thursday through March 21.** Praying at certain points of the day has its origins in Judaism and was practiced in the early church and monastic traditions. The service of Evening Prayer is about 20 minutes long and includes Psalms, Scripture, and Prayers for the day (but no sermon or music). If you have questions or are interested in helping to lead this service, please contact Steve Shandor (steve.shandor@gmail.com) or Michael Salmon (oriolefish@gmail.com).

Prayer and Anointing for Healing on Sundays at 11 a.m.

Throughout the season of Lent, we will offer healing prayer by anointing with oil and the laying on of hands during communion at the 11 a.m. service. If you would like to receive this healing prayer, please come to the Lady Chapel after you receive communion. The priest who is distributing communion at the station by the pulpit will join you there to offer this healing prayer. In Easter, we will evaluate to see if we want to continue this practice.

Christ-Centered Yoga

Our last night of yoga for this session is **Monday, March 11 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.** Every-body and all-bodies are welcome, even if you have not come previously. We meet in the Parish Hall for 20-30 minutes of yoga, followed by journaling.

Christ-Centered Yoga is led by Calvary parishioner, Elizabeth Hepburn Miller. Please contact her with questions or concerns at www.bebyelizabeth.com or email Elizabeth@BeByElizabeth.com.

Gospel and Breakfast (GAB): Sundays, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m., the Evans Room

This class is for young adults and parents of young children to meet for fellowship, light breakfast, and a discussion of the Gospel passage appointed for the day. We gather in the Evans Room on Sundays during the Christian Formation hour (10–10:45 a.m.). The nursery will be open at that time, or you can bring your little one(s) along if you prefer. Drop in whenever you can. No prior knowledge needed. Questions? Please contact the Rev. Cameron Soulis (csoulis@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120, ext. 123).

Lenten Reading and Discussion Group – Julian of Norwich

Are you interested in deepening your Lenten observance, by sharing and reflecting together on a beautiful spiritual classic? Join us on **Thursdays in Lent from 6:30-7:30 p.m. (through March 21)** in the Evans Room (or by Zoom) for a guided discussion of Julian of Norwich's *Revelations of Divine Love.* If you have any questions, feel free to contact Daniel Perett (dperett@gmail.com).

The first book written in English by a woman, Julian's *Revelations* are moving meditations on God's love, compassion, and care for us, based on a vision of Christ's passion that she received when she was thought she was dying. Keenly aware of suffering and human frailty, Julian shares a deeply reassuring message of hope, joy, and peace, centered in God's wondrous, unfailing love, a perfect message for our spiritual growth in Lent.

The Bookstore at Calvary

The Bookstore has several young reader books for Lent and Easter including *What We Do in Lent: A Child's Activity Book* by Anna E. Kitchen and illustrated by Dorothy Thompson Perez. Filled with interactive puzzles, color-by-number pages, word finds, mazes, and more, this fun-filled activity book can help children ages 4 to 7 grow to a deeper understanding of the true meaning of the holy season of Lent. With more than forty activities, a glossary, and a guide filled with tips and suggestions, this is a great resource for parenting in the pews.

The Bookstore is open on Sunday from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call the Bookstore at 412.661.0120 ext. 133 (please leave a message) or email at bookstore@calvarypgh.org and we will contact you. Cash, check, Discover[®], MasterCard[®], and Visa[®] along with touch-free payments are accepted.

Gun Safety Legislation

Last May the Pennsylvania House of Representatives passed gun safety legislation with bipartisan support. These bills would establish universal background checks (HB 714) and create Extreme Risk Protection Orders (HB1018). The State Senate must hold hearings and vote on these bills in order for them to become law. This has not yet happened. Gun-safety advocacy groups are encouraging Pennsylvanians to contact the leaders of our State Senate and ask that the Senate move this legislation forward.

To help interested parishioners with this, a table of information and supplies will be set up in the Parish Hall on Sunday, March 17, before and after each service. Jeanette Trauth, a member of Temple Sinai and the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (RAC), will be present during the Christian Formation hour (10–11 a.m.) that day to answer questions and otherwise help people write letters to Senate Judiciary Committee Chair Lisa Baker, Senate Majority Leader Joe Pitman, and Senate President Pro Tempore Kim Ward.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Cameron (csoulis@calvarypgh.org), or Theresa Chalich (tchalich@gmail.com).

Food of the Month

East End Cooperative Ministry operates the second largest food pantry in Pittsburgh. **On their wish list in March is instant mashed potatoes.** Of course, you may donate any nonperishable food item. Please leave your items in the shopping cart across from the reception desk. Thank you.

> Notices for the Sunday service bulletin must be received by the end of the day on Wednesday each week. Please email your notice to calvary@calvarypgh.org



One of the many traditions at Calvary Episcopal Church is the delivery of the Easter flowers to those for whom prayers were offered during the past year. This is a one-day volunteer opportunity and only requires that you give time on **Monday, April 1** to deliver the Easter flowers to parishioners. Volunteers are asked to arrive at the Parish Hall between 9–10 a.m. The list of recipients will be sorted by neighborhood and zip code. Kim Pieratt, our Parish Administrator, will prepare the delivery tag which will include the name, address and telephone for each of the recipients. We suggest you call the recipient before leaving the church to let them know you will be delivering an Easter flower to them and ask where you should leave the flower. **If you would like to volunteer for this task, please call or email Kim Pieratt by March 25** (kpieratt@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120, ext. 111). If you have any questions, please contact the Rev. Cameron Soulis (csoulis@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120, ext. 123).



THE CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

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I consider Calvary my church home, but what do I mean by that? There are certainly more than one definition of a "home." A home can be defined as "a place of refuge," "a place where one lives," "a place where a person feels safe and accepted," and "a place requiring an emotional connection and sense of belonging." As it happens, all of these things are true of Calvary for me. Calvary being my church home is at the core of why I agreed to co-chair the Capital Campaign with Mary Lou Southwood and also agreed to make what for me is a large pledge.

In the same way I think about taking care of my own personal home (do I have a solid roof? Heat? Is it safe? Welcoming to friends and guests? Am I a good steward of my home for its survival in the future? etc.), I think of taking care of Calvary. I want all of the things (including the people!) that made me choose Calvary as my church home to be cared for and be there for those in the future, therefore being part of this campaign helps to ensure that this will happen. So, it was a "no brainer" for me to participate in the campaign giving of both my time and of my treasure.

In peace, Don MacLeod

The Calendar

Sunday March 10, 2024 The Fourth Sunday in Lent; Daylight Saving Time Begins The Holy Eucharist at 8, 9, and 11 a.m. 10:00 A.M. Children/Youth Formation Priest/Rabbi Class 10:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. Gospel and Breakfast (GAB) 10:00 A.M. Choir Warm-up 11:00 A.M. Children's Liturgy 12:00 р.м. Coffee Hour 3:30 р.м. Choir Warm-up 5:00 р.м. Evensong Monday March 11 2024

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| 6:00 р.м. | Evening Prayer |
| 6:00 p.m. | EfM |
| 6:30 р.м. | Christ-centered Yoga |
| 7:00 p.m. | Contemplative Prayer |

Tuesday March 12, 2024

| Gregory the G | reat, Bishop and Theologian, 604 |
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| 11:00 А.М. | Staff Meeting |
| 6:00 p.m. | Lenten Preaching Series |
| | at St. Andrew's, Highland Park |
| 7:00 p.m. | AA Meeting |
| 7:00 p.m. | Coventry Circle |

Wednesday March 13, 2024

| James Theodore Holly, Bishop, 1911 | |
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| 9:00 A.M. | Wednesday Workspace |
| 10:00 а.м. | ESL Conversation Class |
| 12:00 р.м. | Holy Eucharist |
| 6:00 p.m. | Interlude Group |

Thursday March 14, 2024

| 6:00 р.м. | Evening Prayer |
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| 6:30 р.м. | Lenten Reading Series |
| 6:30 р.м. | Mahjong |
| 6:30 р.м. | Inquirer's Class |
| 7:00 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal |

Friday March 15, 2024

Vincent de Paul, Priest, and Louise de Marillac, Vowed Religious, Workers of Charity, 1660 7:30 P.M. Chatham Baroque Concert

Saturday March 16, 2024

| 10:00 а.м. | Women of Calvary Meeting |
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| 1:00 p.m. | Worship Team Leaders |
| 7:30 р.м. | Chatham Baroque Concert |

Sunday March 17, 2024 *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

The Fifth Sunday in Lent Gun Violence Letter Writing in the Parish Hall after all services **The Holy Eucharist at 8, 9, and 11 a.m.** 10:00 A.M. Children/Youth Formation 10:00 A.M. Priest/Rabbi Class 10:00 A.M. Gospel and Breakfast (GAB)

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| 10:00 a.m. | Calvary Creation Care Group |
| 10:00 a.m. | Choir Warm-up |
| 11.00 | 01411 1 7 1 |

11:00 A.M. Children's Liturgy

12:00 P.M. Coffee Hour

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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The Prayers of the People

- *For the Anglican Communion, and for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and* The Episcopal Church.
- For the Episcopal Church, and for The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop.
- *For the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh and for The Right Reverend Dr. Ketlen A. Solak, Bishop.*
- *For the parishes of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, especially* St. David's Episcopal Church, Peters Township, and the Rev. Kristian Opat.
- Let us pray for those serving in the armed forces:

Christine DeForest, Tres Mellor, Robert Weaver, Jon Danchik, Chris Claunch, George Rossman, Brian Bongiovi, Lauren Laessig.

For those who are ill or convalescing:

Erica, Elise Power, Henry Albee, Jamie Rogers, Phyllis Ernst, Hattie Mauch, Judith Baskin, ++Michael Curry, Jeff Arberman, James Knight, Roy Murphy, Joan Rollins, Nancy Hudak, Janet, Josh Butler, Kate, Jean Oh, Andrea, Beth Gallis, Thomas Gallagher, Jean Carver, Daniel Perett, Judith Morgan, Janice Myers, Lucy Duffy, Earl, Marilyn Devereaux, Diana Jannetta, Pat, Judy, Shannon, Emily, Kristen, John Lovelace, Erick Hoffman, Avianna Hoffman, Lori McCormick.

Let us remember those who continue in our prayers:

William Marchl+, Charles Mullen, David Rollins, Charlotta Ross, Mimi Doboy, Charlie Quillin, Holly Best, Marie Houston, Nikki Smith, Fairfax Seay, Paula King-Smith, Phyllis Hickok, Mary Anne Marchl, Betty Howard, Richard Zack, Walter Bowman, Stan Schoen, Doreen Putnam.

Let us pray for those who have been commended to our prayers:

Betty Shandor, Marjorie Wells, Linda Augustine, Sang Oh, Dorothy Tague, Tom Vig, Heidi Murrin, Joachim Bielert, Marilyn Corstange, Gary McCann, Dave Bruton, Alyson Holt, Debra Teton, Patricia, Carol Ann R., Jennifer S., Laura B., Patricia M., Marian G., Charles, Jeremiah McClung, Dave Arlotti, Mike, Ed Cohen, Carol, Hayden, Brian, Meredith G., Janie Leighton, Devlin Cato, Rebecca Rogovin, John, Nancy, Steve, Ernie, Betsy Mastaglio, Jason Durand, Barbara G., Paul Thompson, Lou and Nancy M., Cathie Keenan, Mary Kay D., Marsha Dilts, Eileen Simmons, Al Churley, Barbara, Judy, Mark Steinberg, Michael C., Anthony, Helene Burke, Walter Simmons, Alex, Aster, Gail, Megan and Mike and family, Judy, Jill W. and children, Katherine Plank, Marie Churley, April DeLucia, Stefania, Edward, Kathleen, Joe Hardy, Cathy Rielly-Goddard, Avi and family, Lisa, Kam Murrin, Dena Gallagher and family, Frankie Schell, Max and Leah Weiss, Mary G., Lynn Jolly, Paul Jolly, Paul Marvy family, Arnold Shurkin, Linda Almasy-Hohmann, David Hohmann, Marsha McElwain, Harry DeLuce, Chris Chaney, Kristen, Annette Bowen, Stefan, Denise Wolff Oetinger, John Rinozzi, Vincent Esposito, Katy Reeder, Allison, Rita Rose, Betty Chandler, Jon Burnett, Kevin Ayala, John Pranikoff.

For people throughout the world living with HIV and AIDS.

For caregivers.

- *For those who have died:* Natalie Magula (Melissa Crimmins' mother), Zane Kirk, Richard Federowicz.
- The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of SungWha Oh, by her daughter, Shirley Yoo, and family. Elizabeth Rumsey and J. Bruce McWilliams, by Mrs. H. Wayne Allred.
 - [To add or remove names from the Prayer List, please contact Kim Pieratt at the church office: 412.661.0120, ext. 111; kpieratt@calvarypgh.org]

Participants in Today's Services

| 8 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II |
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| Celebrant |
| Preacher |
| LectorJohn Allison |
| Chalice BearerElizabeth Pentin |
| 9 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II |
| Celebrant |
| Preacher |
| AssistingThe Reverend Geoffrey S. Royce |
| LectorWill Ruthrauff |
| IntercessorJoyce Dorman |
| Chalice BearersJon Mazur, Adele Eley |
| UshersLea Carone, Margaret Baker, Joanne Luchsinger |
| 11 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II |
| Celebrant |
| Preacher |
| AssistingThe Reverend Geoffrey S. Royce |
| Children's Liturgy The Reverend Cameron J. Soulis |
| VergerJames Cassaro |
| LectorsCeci Westbrook, Elaine Effort |
| IntercessorPhilip Maye |
| AcolytesAdella Boy, Thomas Koehler, Reed Van Schenck |
| Chalice BearersVanessa Sterling, Matthew Lancaster, Bonnie Weiss |
| UshersAdam Hallowell, Mike Kelly, Mike O'Brien |
| Coffee Hour HostThe Interlude Group |
| 5 p.m. – Choral Evening Prayer, Rite I |
| OfficiantThe Reverend Cameron J. Soulis |
| VergerAdam Bailey |

- AcolyteAvery Podolinski
- UsherLucy Weingartner
- Flower DeliveryKitsy McNulty, Ellen Maye

Tuesday Night 2024 Lenten Preaching Series

"Hope – Rooted in Christ"

6 P.M. Dinner • 7 P.M. Holy Eucharist with hymns and sermon

March 12

St. Andrew's Preacher: The Rev. Leslie Reimer 5801 Hampton Street, Highland Park

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2024

THE COLLECT OF 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.*

A Reading from the Book of Numbers [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.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.Congregation: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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians [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.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.Congregation:Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John [3:14-21]

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to Nicodemus, "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. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

Response after the Gospel: Praise to you, Lord Christ.