

Welcome to The Parish of Holy Trinity St. Stephens

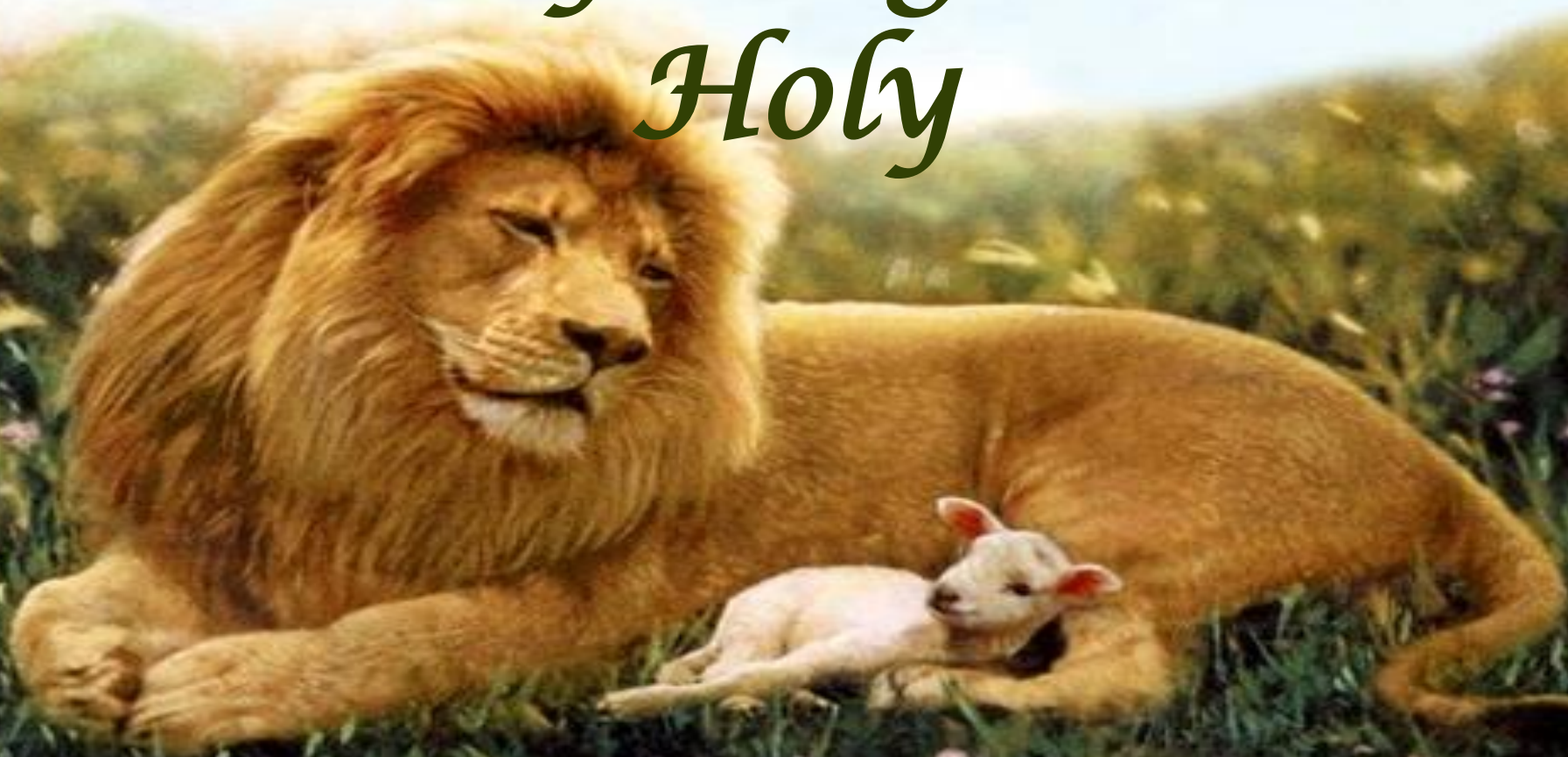
2nd Sunday in Lent

Lent

A SEASON OF
PREPARATION

FEBRUARY 25TH, 2024

*Everything Cries
Holy*



Verse 1

**We see the Lord and
He is high upon the throne.
And His glory fills
The heavens and the earth.
One like a lamb,
Who was slain is on the throne.
So I cast my crown before you
And bow down to pray.**

Chorus

For everything cries Holy !

O everything cries Holy !

O everything cries Holy to You Lord !

For everything cries Holy !

O everything cries Holy !

O everything cries Holy to You Lord !

(Repeat entire song)





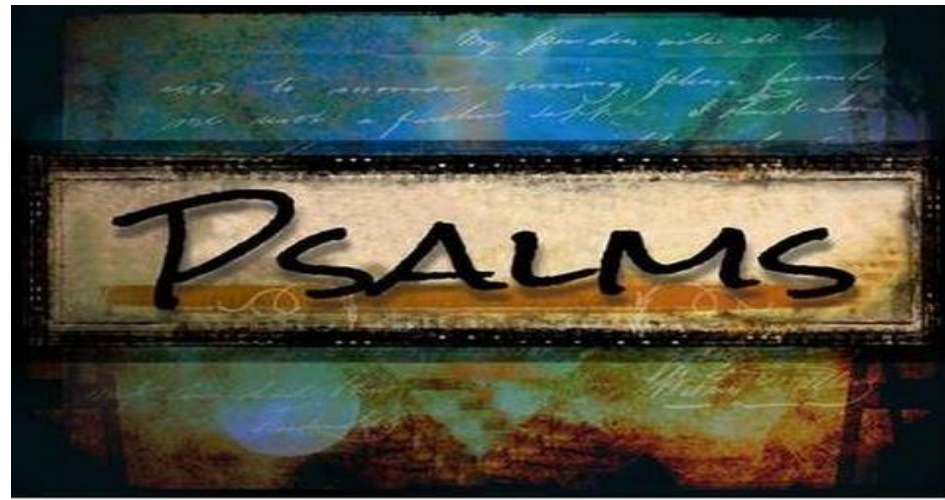
*Welcome
To Our Church*

We're so glad You're Here!

Announcements: Rev. Rob Henderson

Choir practice !!





Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

Refrain:

***“All the ends of the earth
shall turn to the Lord.”***

Be still and know that I Am God

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*To
Abraham
& Sarah*

*Book of
Common
Praise 468*



Verse 1

To Abraham and Sarah

The call of God was clear:

“Go forth and I will show you

A country rich and fair.

You need not fear the journey,

For I have pledged my word

That you shall be my people

And I will be your God.”

Verse 2

**From Abraham and Sarah
Arose a pilgrim race,
Dependent for their journey
On God's abundant grace;
And in their heart was written
By God this saving word,
“That you shall be my people
And I will be your God.”**

Verse 3

**We of this generation
On whom God's hand is laid
Can journey to the future
Secure and unafraid,
Rejoicing in God's goodness
And trusting in this word,
“That you shall be my people
And I will be your God.”**

To Abraham & Sarah-3/3 end



THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant:

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.**

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: **Almighty God,**

People: **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you 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.**



Trisagion – Hymn #707

Trisagion (sung 3 times)

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy immortal one,
have mercy upon us.**

Repeat twice

We say together the Collect for today:

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;

**who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.**

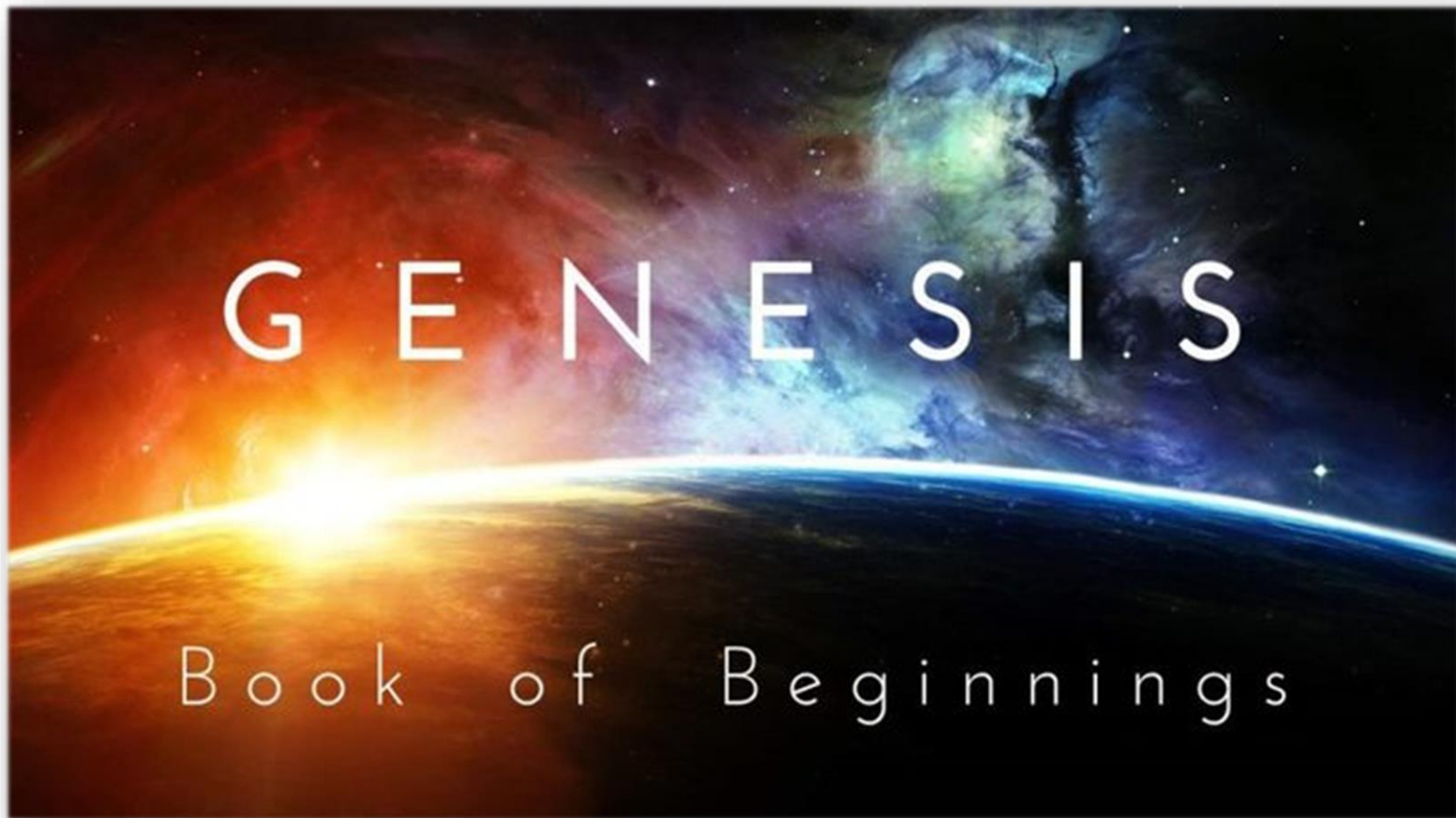
Amen



THE READINGS

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The Proclamation of the Word



**A Reading from the Book of
Genesis (17:1-7, 15-16)**

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

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."

Reader: **The word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

Refrain:

**“All the ends of the earth
shall turn to the Lord.”**

Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

**My praise is of him in the great
assembly;**

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

**All the ends of the earth shall
remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations
shall bow before him.**

Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

For kingship belongs to the Lord;

He rules over the nations.

**To him alone all who sleep in the
earth bow down in worship;**

**All who go down to the dust fall
before him.**

***All the ends of the earth
shall turn to the Lord.***

Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

**My soul shall live for him; my
descendants shall serve him;**

**They shall be known as the Lord's for
ever.**

**They shall come and make known to a
people yet unborn**

The saving deeds that he has done.

***All the ends of the earth
shall turn to the Lord.***



**GOSPEL OF
MARK**
THE SERVANT SAVIOR



The Start of Self-Denial
**TAKE UP YOUR
CROSS**
MATTHEW 16:24

Book of Common Praise 431

Verse 1

**“Take up your cross,”
the Saviour said,
“If you would My disciple be;
Deny yourself, the world forsake,
And humbly follow after Me.”**

All stand for the Gospel

Reader: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

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

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

Mark 8:31-38

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."

Reader: **The Gospel of Christ.**

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

Verse 2

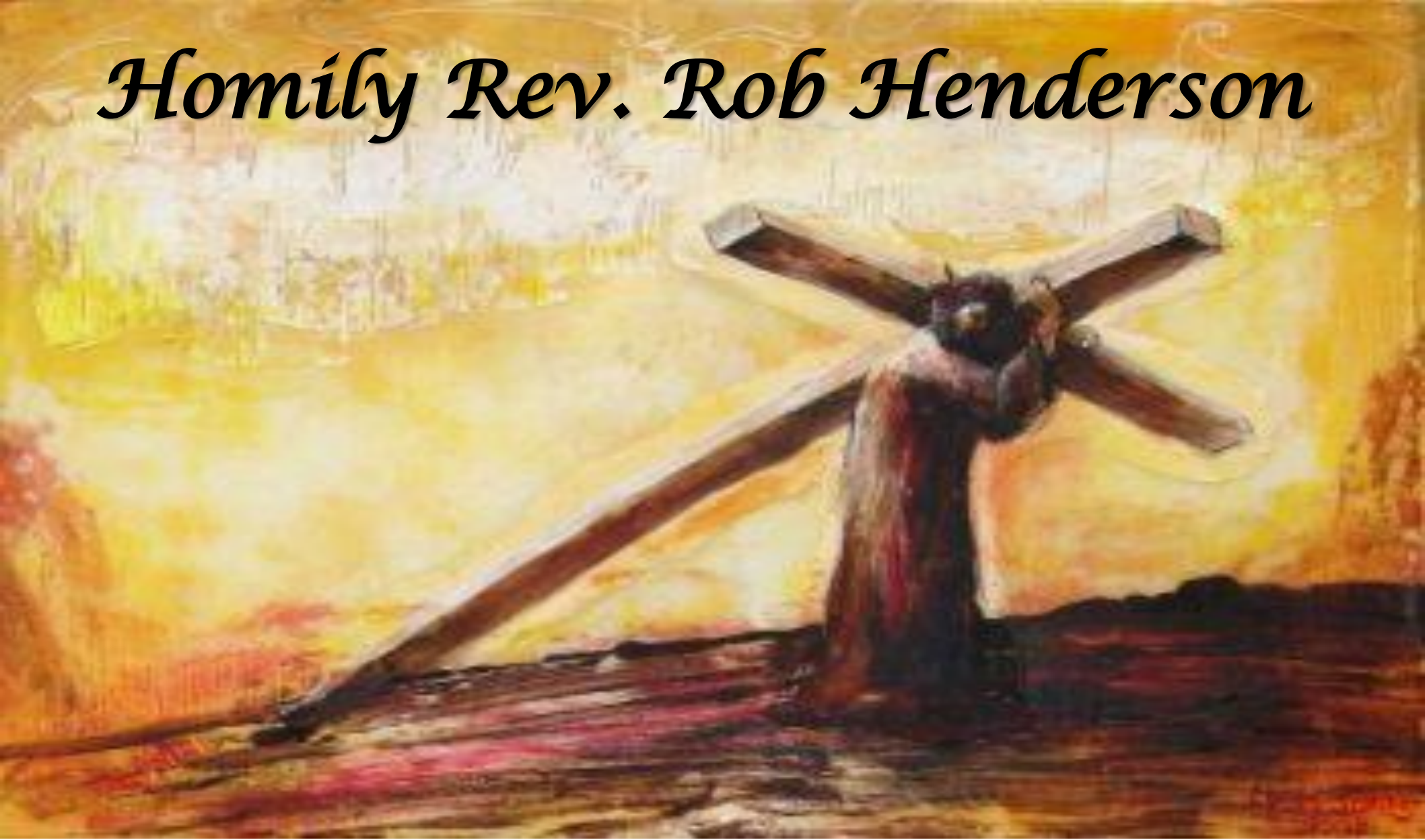
**Take up your cross,
let not its weight**

Fill your weak soul with vain alarm;

**His strength shall bear your spirit
up,**

**And brace your heart
and nerve your arm.**

Homily Rev. Rob Henderson





Amazing Grace

Book of Common Praise 352

Verse 1

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found:
Was blind, but now I see.**

Verse 2

**‘Twas grace that taught my
heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.**

Verse 3

**The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.**

Verse 4

**Through many dangers,
Toils, and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me
Safe thus far'
And grace will lead me home.**

Verse 5

**When we've been there
Ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days
To sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.**





Prayers of the People

Second Sunday in Lent – Year B

Confident that God knows and loves each of us, and understands our situation, let us pray saying:

We trust in you.

We pray for deepening personal faith for all Christians this Lenten time, and a renewed faith for all who are overwhelmed by doubt. You are our God.

We trust in you.

**We pray for the church. For Todd
our Bishop and all disciples in the
Diocese of Huron. May we be
vigilant and courageous in
upholding the Christian faith, and
sensitive to the language and
culture of each person seeking for
God in their lives. You are our God.
We trust in you.**

We long for a thirsting after God in our world for right living justice and mercy to be valued and worked toward. We pray for peace, remembering today the victims of war in Ukraine and the Middle East. You are our God.

We trust in you.

We long for our homes and our neighborhoods to reflect God's love in our caring, our hospitality, and our welcoming of the stranger. You are our God.

We trust in you.

**We pray for the sick, the dying,
and we pray for those who care for
them. Today we remember those on
our parish prayer list, especially:
*Jessica W., Diane L., Ed N., Mary G.,
Brenda P., and Dan L.*
You are our God.**

We trust in you.

**We give you thanks and praise for
the endless love and patience you
show us whenever we turn away.
Please turn us back to you.
You are our God.**

We trust in you.

**God of mercy, accept these
prayers for the sake of your son
our savior Jesus Christ.**

Amen

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: **Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love
and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites them to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.**

Celebrant: **Most merciful God,**

People: **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 neighbours 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.**

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

People: **Amen.**



Celebrant: **The peace of the Lord
be always with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

*I need Thee, O I need Thee; Every hour I need Thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.*



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I Need Thee Every Hour

Verse 1

**I need thee every hour
Most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine
Can peace afford.**

Chorus

**I need Thee O I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
O bless me now my Savior
I come to Thee!**

Verse 2

**I need thee every hour
Stay Thou nearby.
Temptations lose their power
When Thou art nigh**

Chorus

**I need Thee O I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
O bless me now my Savior
I come to Thee!**

Verse 3

**I need thee every hour
In joy or pain
Come quickly and abide
or life is in vain.**

Chorus

**I need Thee O I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
O bless me now my Savior
I come to Thee!**

Verse 4

**I need thee every hour
Teach me Thy ways;
Thy promises so rich
And power me fulfill.**

Chorus

**I need Thee O I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
O bless me now my Savior
I come to Thee!**



**Receiving the
gifts of money
and other gifts
for the needs
and
responsibilities
of the Church.**

Lenten
Offerings





Altar Flowers

The flowers for the Altar today
are given to the *Glory of God* by
Wendy & David Parisian
in memory of their parents.

Prayer Over The Gifts

God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name.

Amen.

Do This
In Remembrance
of Me



Eucharistic Prayer # 1

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

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: **Lift up your hearts.**

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

Celebrant: **Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God.**

People: **It is right to give our
thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: **It is indeed right
that we should
praise you, gracious God,
for you created all things.
You formed us in your own image:
wonderfully you created us.
When we turned away from you in sin,
you did not cease to care for us,**

**but opened a path of salvation
for all people.**

**You made a covenant with Israel,
and through your servants
Abraham and Sarah
gave the promise of a blessing
to all nations.**

**Through Moses
you led your people
from bondage into freedom;
through the prophets
you renewed your promise
of salvation.**

**Therefore, with them,
and with all your saints
who have served you
in every age,
we give thanks
and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory
of your name.**

Hymn 722 Holy Holy Holy (Eucharist)

**Holy, Holy Holy,
Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full,
full of your glory
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is the One who comes
in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: **Holy God, source of life
and goodness,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
In the fullness of time,
you sent your Son Jesus Christ,
to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.**

**He healed the sick
and ate and drank
with outcasts and sinners;
he opened the eyes of the blind
and proclaimed the good news
of your kingdom
to the poor and to those in need.
In all things he fulfilled your
gracious will.**

**On the night he freely
gave himself to death,**

**our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks
to you,**

**he broke it,
and gave it to his disciples,
and said,**

**“Take, eat:
this is my body
which is given for you.**

**Do this
for the remembrance of me.”**

**After supper
he 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 shed for you
and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of
me.”**

**Gracious God,
his perfect sacrifice
destroys
the power of sin and death;

By raising him to life
you give us life forever more.**

**Therefore we proclaim
the mystery of faith:**

All: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.


Christ will come again.

Celebrant: **Recalling his death,
proclaiming
his resurrection,
and looking for his coming
again in glory,
we offer you, Father,
this bread and this cup.**

**Send your Holy Spirit
upon us and upon these gifts,
that all who eat and drink
at this table
may be one body
and one holy people,
a living sacrifice
in Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Through Christ,
with Christ,
and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours,
almighty Father,
now and for ever.**

People: **Amen.**

A rustic wooden cross stands in a field of tall green grass and small blue flowers. The background is softly blurred, creating a peaceful, natural setting. The cross is made of two weathered wooden beams, one vertical and one horizontal, joined at the top.

who art and forgive
THE
LORD'S
PRAYER
in heaven

Lord's Prayer

(Songs of a Gospel People)

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 them,
that 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**

Breaking of The Bread #7
Lent and Holy Week

Celebrant: **We break this bread,**

All: **Communion in Christ's
body once broken.**

Celebrant: **Let your Church be the wheat
which bears its fruit in dying.**

All: **If we have died with him,
we shall live with him;
if we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.**





**The gifts of God
for the
People of God.
People: **Thanks be to
God.****

*Lamb of
God
(JMT)*



Verse 1

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

All: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

Verse 2

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

All: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

Verse 3

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world
grant us grant us peace.**

All: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
grant us grant us peace.**





COME
Gather
AT OUR TABLE

**ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE,
IT IS JESUS WHO INVITES YOU.**

**Please allow personal distance when
approaching to receive the sacrament.**

**If you do not wish to receive the wafer,
please cross your arms in front of your
chest to receive God's blessing.**

Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Hymn



A yellow rowing boat is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the image, floating on a calm, misty lake. The boat is empty and its reflection is visible in the still water. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with trees and hills, creating a serene and quiet atmosphere. The text is overlaid on the upper left portion of the image.

Be Still

And Know That I Am God

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Verse 1

Be still and know that I Am God.

Be still and know that I Am God.

Be still and know that I Am God.

Verse 2

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

Verse 3

My boundless mercy shall endure.

My boundless mercy shall endure.

My boundless mercy shall endure.

Verse 4

I love you with a steadfast love.

I love you with a steadfast love.

I love you with a steadfast love.



We Say Together the Prayer After Communion:

**Creator of heaven and earth,
we thank you for these holy
mysteries, which bring us now a
share in the life to come,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Doxology

Celebrant: **Glory to God,**

People: **whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than
we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God from
generation to generation,
in the Church and in
Christ Jesus, for ever and ever.
Amen.**



THE BLESSING

*In The
Cross of
Christ I
Glory*

*Book of
Common
Praise*

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Verse 1

**In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.**

Verse 2

**When the woes of life o’ertake me
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo! It glows with peace and joy.**

Verse 3

**When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross
the radiance streaming
Adds more lustre to the day.**

Verse 4

**Bane and blessing,
pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there
that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.**


Verse 5

**In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.**



The Dismissal





TRUST
&
OBEY

Verse 1

**When we walk with the Lord,
In the light of His word,
What a glory He shines on our way
As we do His goodwill,
Our lives He will fill,
And all who will trust and obey.**

Chorus

**Trust and obey,
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus ,
But to trust and obey.**

Verse 2

**Not a burden we bear,
Nor a sorrow we share,
But our toil He does richly repay.
Not a grief or a loss,
Not a frown nor a cross,
But is blessed as we trust and obey.**

Chorus

**Trust and obey,
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus ,
But to trust and obey.**

Verse 3

**But we never can prove
The delights of His love,
Until all on the altar we lay.
For the blessings He gives
And the joy as we live
Are for those who will trust and obey.**

Chorus

**Trust and obey,
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus ,
But to trust and obey.**



Thank You For Worshipping With Us!



The LORD is my
light and my *salvation*,
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the
strength of my life;
of whom
shall I be afraid?

-Psalm 27:1

God Bless You & See you next week!