

Second Sunday in Lent 25 February 2024 10:00 a.m.



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We remember and honor the Indigenous people of the world, especially the Cascades, Cowlitz, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla, whose land that we now occupy in this region was once their home, and it was taken from them. The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Umatilla, and Siletz continue to have a presence in this area. We give thanks for them and express our gratitude for their witness on how to live a life that is honorable and humble. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong to us; that we belong to the Earth, and that we are all relatives in life. Help us to learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.

OPENING VOLUNTARY Variations on Tender Thought

Karen Beaumont (b. 1965)

ENTRANCE HYMN Morning glory, starlit sky

Hymnal #585

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

THE CONFESSION

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Presider and People:

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

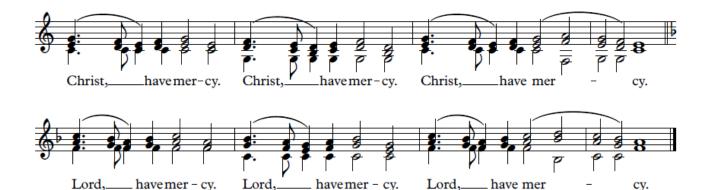
THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

Ukrainian Orthodox Chant







THE COLLECT of the DAY

Presider The Lord be with you. **People And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

All sit.

FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE: 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."

Lector Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:22-30 Deus, Deus meus

22 Praise the LORD, you that are God-fearing; * stand in awe of the LORD, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

23 For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does the LORD'S face hidden from them; * but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.

24 My praise is of God in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship the LORD.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall give praise: * "May your heart live for ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to God, * and all the families of the nations shall bow before the LORD.

27 For sovereignty belongs to the LORD; * who rules over the nations.

28 To the LORD alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; * all who go down to the dust fall before the LORD.

29 My soul shall live for God; my descendants shall serve the LORD; * they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn * the saving deeds that God has done.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

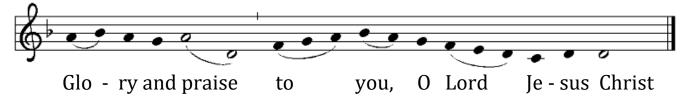
Lector Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor sings Glory and praise...; All repeat Glory and praise... Cantor sings verse; All repeat Glory and praise....



Verse: May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. (Gal. 6:14)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark **People Glory to you, Lord Christ**

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."

Presider The Gospel of the Savior
People Praise to you, Lord Christ

SERMON: The Rev. Ken Howard

A time of silence for reflection follows.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand as able.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spi

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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: Form III

The People stand or kneel as able, and the Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those who have requested our prayers: Yvette; Tom; Nicole; Shawn; Jenny; LindaCarol; Ken H.; Edie; The Anglican Church of Tanzania; St. James,

Coquille; all those whose lives have been disrupted by gun violence, natural disasters, and war, and those known to God alone.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Join in the prayer for the Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop:

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please join in the prayer for a new Rector:

Most gracious God,

We thank you for providing for our needs during these past months as we have worked to care for one another and to be good stewards of this sacred space. We have been blessed by those you have sent to us to lead our worship and to encourage us during this transition. Now, O Lord, we turn our thoughts toward the future and the person who will journey with us in the years ahead.

We believe that the person who will become our next rector is hearing your voice and is preparing to respond to your call. We ask that our hearts and minds be open to receive and welcome our new pastor, and the courage to move into the future with the assurance of your loving care. And in moments of uncertainty, may we find comfort in the knowledge that your timing is always perfect.

We offer this prayer in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Presider By your mercy, Lord, hear the prayers of your people, that we may feel renewed and strengthened to do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand as able.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please greet those around you in a way that is comfortable to you and to them as a sign of our participation in Christ's reconciling work in the world

A PRAYER for BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERING

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine to the Altar.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

Charles William Everest (1814-1877), alt.

Based on BOURBON

Credited to Freeman Lewis (1790-1859)

Arranged by HOWARD HELVEY (ASCAP)

Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be; Take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me.

Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm; Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your foolish heart be still; The Lord for you accepted death upon a cross, on Calv'ry's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calmly ev'ry danger brave: It guides you to abundant life and leads to vict'ry o'er the grave.

Take up your cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; For only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

The people's gifts to God are presented.

Presider All things come of thee, O Lord

People And of thine own have we given thee.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you. Presider

People And also with you. Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Presider

It is right to give him thanks and praise. People

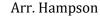
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Ukrainian Orthodox Chant





The people stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, The Breaking of the Bread

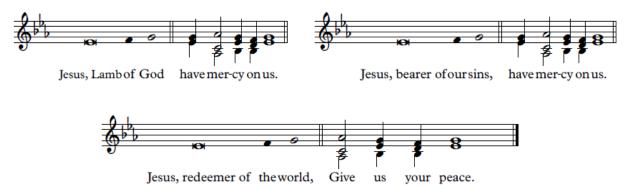
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Ukrainian Orthodox Chant

Arr. Hampson



MINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

All are cordially invited to receive the sacrament or a blessing.

If you prefer to receive a blessing,

please indicate by crossing your arms over your chest.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available.

COMMUNION HYMN

Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord Hymnal #328 POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

All stand as able.

Aaron's Blessing – Sung in Hebrew and said in English

CLOSING HYMN Lord, Thou hast searched me Hymnal #702

PRAYER FOR THE INTERIM TIME

Faithful and loving God,
You are always with us even when we feel most alone.
Be with us in the Interim time of waiting and exploring.
Give us ears to hear your still small voice
And eyes to see your light on our path ahead
And open hands to receive the gifts you have for us
And open hearts to love you and one another
And all who come to us,
In the name of Jesus Christ who lived and died and rose,
All so that we might all have abundance of life,
And bring blessing to the world. Amen.

Johannine Blessing

Text: Joseph Hart (1712-1768)

Music: Hampson

Dismiss us with your blessing, Lord, Help us to feed upon your word; All that has been amiss forgive, and let your truth within us live.

THE DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Variation on *Tender Thought*

Beaumont

During this solemn season of Lent, you are invited to listen in an attitude of prayer and to refrain from applause after the postlude.

SERVING TODAY

Presider The Rev. Ken Howard

Crucifer Jimmy McGarvey

Acolytes Heidi Gurney, Stefan Mellara Lectors Jessie Hann, Shirley Bush

Intercessor Mike Vidito

Eucharistic Minister Rachel Hayashi

Ushers Diane Jarrett, Tim Keady

Organist/Choirmaster Joseph Z. Pettit Organ Scholar Michael Lasfetto

Coffee Hour Jessie Hann, Marilyn Pierik, Diane Reid



Mondays

8:00 to 10:00 a.m. - Garden Committee, weather permitting.

Thursdays

9:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer (Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m. - Bible Study for Grownups (Narthex)

7:00 to 8:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Fridays (beginning March 1st)

12:30 - Iona Book Club. Meetings will be hybrid:

You may attend in-person in the Guild Room in Likowski Hall or join via Zoom. - contact Cheryle Gardiner for the link.

St. Aidan's Friday Community Dinners are temporarily suspended.

If you are visiting with us today, welcome!
If you wish to receive information and updates about services and activities at St. Aidan's, please sign our Welcome Book in the Narthex and join us in Murdock Hall for coffee hour.

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All are welcome to St. Aidan's -

persons of every race, language, age, gender, sexual orientation, sexual identity, physical and mental ability and economic level. We celebrate and are blessed by our many diverse God-given gifts. In accordance with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we hold that discrimination of any kind is outside God's intent for God's people and we affirm our Baptismal Vow to uphold the dignity of every human being. We affirm that all relationships are founded on the principles of God's love, justice and peace.

Statement of Purpose

Our mission is to spread the Promise of Jesus Christ in and beyond our community through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach.

Clergy

The Rt. Rev. Diana Akiyama, Bishop of Oregon

Parish Staff

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*Volunteer

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Patrick Hoye
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Jim Reid
Alison Saichek
Sarah Seeley

The Beloved Community at St. Aidan's Includes...

Eastside Adult Daycare Services

Tuesday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Galina Nekrasova, Manager SSADS, East Portland www.sunshineads.org 971-274-8168

Kingdom Harvest Ministries

Sunday – 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Pastor J. Hilary Gbotoe, Jr. 503-756-6123

Mercy Connections

Connecting Communities and Resources Mercy Henderson, Executive Director & Founder mercy@mercyconnections.net

St. Antonious Coptic Orthodox Church

Saturday – 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Fr. Mekhail Hanna, Priest Moheb Sadek, Deacon http://www.stantonious.org

Kingdom Citizen Friendship Church

Sunday – 3:00 p.m-5:00 p.m. Wilson Deitas, Pastor 971-757-6933