

Welcome to
The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 7, 2021

10:00 AM, THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

THE WORD OF GOD

INTROIT Adoramus te, Christe (Sung in Latin) Théodore Dubois (1837—1924)

Adoramus te, Christe,
et benedicimus tibi,
quia per sanctam crucem tuam
redemisti mundum.

Christ, we do all adore Thee,
and we do praise Thee forever.
For on the holy cross
Thou hast the world from sin redeemed.

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

The Celebrant reads the following sentence

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Chris, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Celebrant

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

Petra, arr. by D. McCullough

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the people

<i>People</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	And with thy spirit.
	Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 20:1-17

Reader: A reading from Exodus.

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 19

Caeli enarrant

- ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- ² One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- ³ Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- ⁴ Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.
- ⁵ In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- ⁶ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- ⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- ⁸ The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.
- ⁹ The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.

¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹² Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

ANTHEM

What Wondrous Love is This?

Wondrous Love

THE GOSPEL: John 2:13-22

Please stand.

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Brent Owens

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant and people

Please stand.

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

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayer which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, John our Bishop, Charles and Dorsey our Assisting Bishops, Brent our Rector, and Jean our Deacon, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy truth and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this land and every land, especially for our president, Joe; our governor, Ron; and our mayor, Lenny, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for

you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People and Celebrant

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 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION Lord Jesus, think on me

Southwell

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People and Celebrant

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

*A blessing is offered and the people respond **Amen.***

THE DISMISSAL

<i>Celebrant</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Special Prayers

We pray for peace throughout the world.

We pray for our companion dioceses of Cuba and Peru, and especially for our companion parish, The Church of the Annunciation in Florida, Cuba.

We give thanks and pray for the safety of all healthcare workers during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, especially for:

Dean, Karen, George, Alan, Naya, Jay, Lysa, Tony, Tom, Brett,
Susanna C., MacLean Nasrallah, Ilya Nasrallah.

We give thanks and pray for all the frontline workers.

We pray for those in need of healing, strength or guidance, especially for:

Lisa, Nancy, The Wilson Family, Ted, Teri Calinao, Sally McKeithen,
Randall Burke, Ingo, John, Glenn, Ruth, Constantine,
Joyce Norville, Gail Dunn, Art Jennette, Patricia Lee,
E. G. Newsom, Judy Martin, Dorothy, Ellen, Shirley Walters.

We pray for those affected by COVID-19, and for those who have died from the virus.

**We pray for those who have died, especially Jerry Patterson and Tom McKeithen.
May their souls, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.**

We pray for all who are serving in our Armed Forces and Intelligence Forces, both at home and abroad, especially for:

Zachary, Brooker, Bennett, Caleb, Rich, Charlie, Erik, Katie, Bradley Williams,
Thomas Crouch, Jonathan Ubl, Channing Mattix, Warren Butler.

We give thanks for birthdays being celebrated this week:

Susan Morgan-Leu	3/7	Harriet Loftin	3/9	Madelaine Cosgrove	3/10
Jonathan Crews	3/8	Patricia Sanow	3/10	Shirley Walters	3/12
Adele Griffin	3/8	Lawrence Raybourne	3/10	Christyn Lindsey	3/12

Announcements

Good Shepherd, Good Neighbors: Neighborhood Clean-Up March 14 at 1:30 pm

Join us Sunday, March 14 from 1:30-3:00 pm for a Good Shepherd, Good Neighbor Lenten activity – we are going to do a neighborhood cleanup! We will walk a designated part of our neighborhood and pick up trash as we go. We can be socially distanced, outside, get some exercise, and make a difference in our own neighborhood. Help us to be Good Shepherd, Good Neighbors! Bring water, gloves, a hat, comfortable walking shoes, and we'll provide the trash bags. We will meet in the parking lot of Good Shepherd at 1:30 pm on March 14. The rain date will be March 21. Please email or call Debbie Conder (904) 343-3203, jconder1177@att.net if you plan to participate so that we can coordinate clean up areas!

5 Spiritual Exercises: A Lenten Offering

Although reservations for this Lenten activity have already filled up, you can still be a part of it! This is offered through the Diocese of Lexington (my prior Diocese). It is a series of 5 short 8-10 minute videos about 5 different spiritual exercises and it includes a workbook. It is free and on the Diocese of Lexington website. I have been very impressed with it and commend it to you as a way to deepen your Lenten experience. Here is the website: diolink.org/diolex/.

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Imagining New Mission and Outreach Ministries

Good Shepherd member Russ Collins is going to lead us in imagining and discerning new mission and outreach ministries. After the removal of the Blessing Box, we have had good conversations about God's call to the people of Good Shepherd. What might these ministries look like? Who will be involved? Who will we serve? What will we do? These are a few of the questions that we will explore in prayer and discussion. Please contact Russ at russcoll1@comcast.net or call him at (540) 764-0367. After we have a group gathered, we will meet by Zoom and begin exploring God's call to the people of Good Shepherd!

JASMYN’s “Strides for Pride”

Attention runners, walkers, and friends of JASMYN! The annual Strides for Pride 5k is just around the corner! Join us on Saturday, April 24—either virtually or in-person—to support JASMYN’s critical work of supporting LGBTQ+ youth in Jacksonville.

Our team name is Good Shepherd for Strides. If you would like to join our team or learn more about the race, visit raceroster.com to create a Race Roster account.

If running/walking the race isn’t for you, but you would still like to support JASMYN, you can help us reach our fundraising goal of \$1,000 by visiting pages.donately.com/jasmyninc/fundraisers and searching for “Good Shepherd for Strides.” JASMYN’s mission is to support and empower LGBTQ+ young people by “creating a safe space, providing health and wholeness services and offering youth development opportunities, while bringing people and resources together to promote equality and human rights.” **Good Shepherd’s fundraiser has raised \$275.00 so far.**

More information can be found on JASMYN’s website: www.jasmyn.org/strides-for-pride. If you have any questions, contact Elyse Gustafson at elyse.m.gustafson@gmail.com or DJ Cheek at cheek.dj@gmail.com. If you would like to participate in the race, but need financial assistance, please contact the parish office at (904) 387- 4298.

Looking forward to supporting the good work of this important organization! Hope to see you there!

Looking for Lay Weeders!

Looking for an activity during this pandemic time where you can get some exercise and even have some social interaction while practicing social distancing? Come join the Lay Weeders the First Saturday of each month in the church courtyard. Bring your gloves and any tools you choose to use. Join us **any time** between 8:00 am and 12 noon. No skills required! You may even make a new friend. Contact Debbie Conder for info or questions at (904) 343-3203.

This Week

- Yoga – Bonnie Currie and Rhonda Bell of Lotus Yoga are facilitating vinyasa yoga classes in the beautiful Craig Hall and the courtyard, weather permitting. Members of the congregation are invited to attend at a reduced drop-in rate of \$10 per class, and all who are unable to pay are invited to join as their guests. Classes are currently held on Mondays at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm, on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm, on Wednesdays at 9:00 am, and on Thursdays at 6:00 pm. Always check the calendar on the church website before planning to attend. Class times are subject to change. For more information, visit www.lotusyogajax.com or email bonnie@lotusyogajax.com or umalumina@yahoo.com. Beginners are welcome!
- St. Catherine's Food Pantry – Thank you to everyone who has contributed to St. Catherine's Food Pantry. Your gifts have been gratefully received. If you have food donations, you may drop them off at the parish office during the week. Susan Callender will open the Forbes Street door on Tuesdays from 1:00-2:30 pm to accept donations. During March, we encourage contributors to include canned vegetables among the items they give.
- Compline – The service of Compline is available on our YouTube channel on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. It's a reassuring way to end your day and ready yourself for the night.

Next Sunday

- Bible Study – Join Fr. Brent for conversation about the Gospel lesson on Sunday mornings at 8:45 am in Craig Hall and via Zoom.
- Children's Sunday School will be held in the courtyard before the service at 9:30 am.

Stay Connected

Follow us on Facebook! We have a **new** Facebook page, “The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd—Jacksonville, Florida.” We will no longer use our old page, so please go to the new one and “like” and “follow” the page to stay in touch.

Thank you!

We give thanks to:

Carter Elliott and Joe Porter for leading Compline;
Our readers last Sunday: Ted Centerwall and Homer Bliss;
Our organist and choirmaster, Don McCullough.

If you have a thank you to share with the congregation, email Gina Olson at
golson@gsjax.church.

Attendance

Sunday Worship Number of Views

February 21 65

Compline Number of Views

February 17 16

Contributions

Total contributions year to date: \$55,941

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Weekly Calendar

Tuesday, March 9th

1:00 pm Donations to St. Catherine's Food Pantry

Wednesday, March 10th

7:00 pm Compline on YouTube

7:00 pm Book Study: *Things Seen and Unseen* via Zoom (last day)

Sunday, March 14th

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:30 am 3-minute Theology on YouTube

8:45 am Bible Study in Craig Hall and via Zoom (new time)

9:30 am Children's Sunday School in the Courtyard

10:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite I in Betsy Lovett Hall and via YouTube

1:30 pm "Good Shepherd, Good Neighbors": Neighborhood Clean-up

Our YouTube videos will remain available to watch after the time they premiere.

Please check our online calendar at gsjax.church for updates.

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