

## **St. Thomas of Canterbury Church and School**

*A Mission of the Diocese of San Diego*

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Annual Meeting of the Mission follows Worship

Grief in the Time of Covid, 3 p.m. Today, and next week

Stations of the Cross 5:45 p.m. Friday with  
Journey toward Jerusalem program with Fr. David Jackson

## **The First Sunday in Lent**

9 o'clock in the morning February 21, 2020

### **Morning Prayer, Rite Two**

*Worship Participants include:*

*Marimel Almodiel, Melmar Almodiel, Melissa Christiansen, Russell Higgins, Aaron Hill,  
Kathy Foxen and Warren Rippé.*

### **The Great Litany**

The Great Litany is a responsive intercession for a wide variety of human needs. Its beginnings are in fifth century Rome where it was connected with both processions for obtaining God's blessing on the fields and for God's defense against enemies as disasters. Martin Luther made a popular revision of the Great Litany in 1529 that was influential in England. The Great Litany was the first English language rite prepared by Archbishop Thomas Cranmer published in 1544. Cranmer modified the Great Litany by consolidating certain groups of petitions into single prayers with response. The Great Litany has become a classic Christian prayer, one that is powerful and insistent.

**The Opening Hymn** - 'The Great Litany' - St Mark's Episcopal Church, Grand Rapids, MI

Jesus said, "If anyone will come after me,  
let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." *Mark 8:34*

## **The Confession of Sin**

*The Officiant invites repentance*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

**Most merciful God,  
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 neighbors 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.**

*The Officiant alone says*

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.**

## **The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant and People*

**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. Alleluia.**

## **Song of Praise**

**Psalm 25:1-9** *Ad te, Domine, levavi*

*read responsively, with verse 3 as reprise*

*Aaron Hill*

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.  
Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

**Show me your ways, O Lord, \*  
and teach me your paths.**

Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.  
Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*

for they are from everlasting.  
Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.  
**Show me your ways, O Lord, \***  
**and teach me your paths.**

Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.  
He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.  
All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.  
**Show me your ways, O Lord, \***  
**and teach me your paths.**

### **The Lessons**

*Lector* A Reading from the Book of Genesis. 9:8-17

*Marimel Almodiel*

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **A Song of Praise**

*Lector* A Reading from the First Letter of Peter. 3:18 - 22

*Melmar Almodiel*

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Gradual - 'The Kingdom Of God Is Justice And Joy'**

### **The Holy Gospel**

*Officiant*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. 1:9 - 15  
*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **Homily**

#### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## The Prayers

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

**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.**

*Officiant* Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
*People* **And grant us your salvation.**  
*Officiant* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
*People* **Let your people sing with joy.**  
*Officiant* Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
*People* **For only in you can we live in safety.**  
*Officiant* Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
*People* **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
*Officiant* Let your way be known upon earth;  
*People* **Your saving health among all nations.**  
*Officiant* Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
*People* **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
*Officiant* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*People* **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## The Collect of the Day

*Officiant*

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## A Collect for a Church Meeting

*Russell Higgins*

Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel for the renewal and mission of your Church, especially for this congregation and our Diocese. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **A Collect for all Christians in their Vocation**

*Officiant*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve thee; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **A Prayer for Mission**

*Prayed by All*

**Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.**

**The Offertory - 'It Is A Thing Most Wonderful'**

### **The General Thanksgiving**

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

### **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

*Officiant*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

### **A Prayer of Longing for Community**

**Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Sacrament of the Altar, and I long to be with the members of my church family to receive the Sacrament. We cannot now receive you sacramentally, so draw comfort in knowing that you live in us and we in you. Never permit us to be separated from you. Amen.**

### **Why We 'Lift Every Voice And Sing'**

**The Closing Hymn - 'Lift Every Voice And Sing'**

### **Annual Meeting of the Mission**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. *Romans 15:13*

