



## The Second Sunday in Lent

March 5, 2023  
at 9:00 a.m.

### The Church of the Good Shepherd

108 West Broad Ave + Berlin, NJ 08009

*Where Love Abounds and Hope is Found!*

**Our Vision:** *To be a faithful and growing Church that connects people to Jesus Christ.*

**Our Mission:** *To know Christ more fully,  
To love and serve Him more faithfully,  
To make Him better known to others.*

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## **THE HOLY EUCHARIST**

**Processional Hymn** (Blue #405)      *“All Things Bright and Beautiful”*

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Opening Acclamation**      *Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant*      ✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;  
*People*      **His mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

### **Collect for Purity**

*The Celebrant may say:*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

**Kyrie S90** (sung together, all standing as you are able)



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer -  
cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* 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.***

*Please be seated for the readings.*

*A Reading from the Book of Genesis.*

The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 121**      (*read responsively by verse*)

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; \* from where is my help to come?

**2 My help comes from the LORD, \* the maker of heaven and earth.**

3 He will not let your foot be moved \* and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

**4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \* shall neither slumber nor sleep;**

5 The LORD himself watches over you; \* the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

**6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \* nor the moon by night.**

7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \* it is he who shall keep you safe.

**8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \* from this time forth for evermore.**

**Second Lesson** (Romans 4:1-5, 13-17)      Gail Cecchini

*A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.*

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

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.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Celtic Mass*  
Christopher Walker



Praise and hon-or, hon-or and glo-ry, glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

## The Holy Gospel

John 3:1-17

*Celebrant*      ✕ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to *John*.

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

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you

do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And 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.”

*Celebrant*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*          **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Homily**

Fr. Tinh Huynh

**The Nicene Creed**      *(Please stand as you are able: all say together)*

**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.*

### **Prayers of the People**

Gail Cecchini

*The Celebrant says:*

*Let us ask God to bless all the families of the earth, in the name of Jesus, the Beloved Son in whom God is well pleased as we pray, Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Lay person & people read responsively:*

That as Jesus commanded us, “Do not be afraid,” let us pray that the elect who are preparing for baptism at Easter may listen to the voice of God’s Son, the Beloved, and share in the blessings promised to Abraham.

*Silence*

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That the leaders of our world may listen to the Son, through whom all war and discord can cease, as we pray for Joe, our President; Phil, our Governor; and Rick, our Mayor.

*Silence*

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That like Abraham, our father in faith, we will not refuse the Lord our God anything he asks of us.

*Silence*

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That sinners may not be discouraged by the effort asked of them, if they are to return to the sacramental life of God's family.

*Silence*

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That our special intentions on this day may be offered up before Christ's throne of grace, as we pray:

- For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Bishop; Sally, our Bishop-elect; Francis, the Bishop of Rome; and Bartholomew, the Patriarch of Constantinople.
- For the persecuted Church throughout the world.
- For our troops throughout the world.
- For our absent brothers and sisters.
- For all pregnant women and their unborn children.
- For the victims of crime in our communities.
- For the victims of natural and environmental disasters, *especially the people of East Palestine, Ohio; and the people of Turkey and Syria.*
- For *Shanique Smith, Zyon, Jason, Jose Lopez, Jocelyn Felix Lopex, Charity, Ricky Beam, and Donna Vandy.*
- For our family and friends celebrating birthdays, *especially Emilia Cecchini, Paul Gainer, and Damien Philippe.*

- *Silence* -

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That the faithful departed may dwell in the company of Abraham, Moses, and all the saints, *especially [N].*

*Silence*

let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Let's pray together for the Good Shepherd Church Family:*

**Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for the Church family of Good Shepherd. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant:*

Most merciful Father, this season of Lent is a time of grace; favor us with your kindness and mercy as we come before you in prayer. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant:*

Let us humbly confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

**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.**

### **Absolution**

*Celebrant:*

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.*

## **Blessing of the Sunday School Children and Teacher**

**General Prayer for Comfort and Healing** (*please come forward to the altar rail if you are interested*).

**The Peace**      *Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**

## **Announcements**

-  **The Mission Committee** meets next Sunday after the potluck. The sign-up sheet for the potluck is in the back.
-  **Episcopal Relief & Development Earthquake Relief Collection** extended through March 12 for anyone interested in supporting the relief efforts in Turkey and Syria.
-  **Easter Egg Hunt** – empty eggs will be available starting next Sunday for anyone interested in taking some to fill for the egg hunt.
-  **ECS NJ Bishop Stoke’s Farewell Gala, Sunday, May 21, 2023, at 5 p.m.** Double Tree by Hilton in Cherry Hill. Ticket price is \$125 per person. If we get a table of 10, it’s \$100 per person. There’s a sign-up sheet in the back where you can note your interest.
-  **Visit and Worship at the Washington National Cathedral on Sunday, July 23, 2023.** The consideration is that the Church will sponsor part of the trip (likely the transportation), and we each will cover our own lunch expense. There’s a sign-up sheet in the back to gauge your interest.
-  **Holy Family Laurel Spring** is having a **Spaghetti Dinner** on Saturday, March 11, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

\$12 per adult, \$10 for ages 6-10, and \$6 each for under 6.  
See flyer for more information.



### **Fundraisers:**

- **Christmas Shopping Raffle** tickets are available at \$5 each. 1st Prize - \$1,000 worth of store gift cards; 2nd Prize - \$500 Visa Gift Card; 3rd Prize - \$250 Visa Gift Card. Proceeds to benefit the church. Please see Darlene or Lillian for tickets.
- **Wawa Hoagie Coupons** are available at \$5 each. Please see Lillian if you are interested.

**Offertory Hymn** (Blue #401)

*“The God of  
Abraham Praise”*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

*Please stand as you are able.*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant proceeds:*

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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## **Sanctus and Benedictus**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel. Celebrant continues:*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, 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 stretched out His arms upon the cross, and offered Himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and 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.”✠

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues:*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling His death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him.

Sanctify us ✠ also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with Mary, the Virgin Mother of God; Joseph her spouse, with the apostles, the martyrs, and all your Saints, into the joy of your eternal Kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 sing:*

**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.**

**Breaking of The Bread**

*[Fraction Anthem]*

**Lamb of God**  
(Songs For Worship No. 1)

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT

Musical staff with notes and chords E, A, E, A.

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of all the

Musical staff with notes and chords Bsus, A, B, E.

world. Have mer-cy on us.

Musical staff with notes and chords E, A, A.

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the

Musical staff with notes and chords Bsus, A, B, E, E.

world. Have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You

Musical staff with notes and chords A, E, A, Bsus.

take a-way the sin of the world.

Musical staff with notes and chords Bsus, G#m, C#m, A, Bsus, Bsus.

Grant us, grant us Your peace.

Musical staff with notes and chords G#m, C#2, A, B, I. E, II. E, E.

Grant us, grant us Your peace. peace.

*Celebrant:*

✠ The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

**Communion Hymn** (Black #121)

*“Baptized in  
Water, Sealed by  
the Spirit”*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

*Celebrant and people:*

**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 Lenten Blessing**

*Celebrant blesses the congregation.*

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God Almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**The Dismissal**

*Celebrant*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Recessional Hymn** (White #19)      “*Have You Seen Jesus My Lord?*”

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! You may be new to us, but you are known and loved by God. Please fill out the visitor’s card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you and having you worship with us again soon.

## The Ministers of the Liturgy

The Reverend Father Tinh Huynh  
*Celebrant and Homilist*

Andrew Listman  
Margaret McCafferty  
*Eucharistic Ministers*

Louis Durham  
*Music Minister*

Gail Cecchini  
Kaydiann Sangster  
*Lay Readers*

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# Prayer List (please let us know when your loved one should be removed).

## Military Service:

Aiden Borden	Nicholas DeMaria
Andrew Miller	Nickolette McCafferty
Charles Devoll	Reed Mikkelson
Dalton Anders	Ruben Costelano-Gomez
Dave Niglio	Ted Chavis
Felix Perez	
Jacob Listman	
Jamie Berry	
Jimmy Sheridan	
John Kirkbride	
Jonathan DeMaria	
Joseph Hodges	
Keith Taylor	

## Expectant Mothers and their Babies

Lauren Raynore
Colleen Roback (July)
Elisabeth Busick (August)

## Comfort & Healing

Barbara MacLeod	Mary McGrath
Carlos Guemes	Meredith Del Rosi
Christina Camuccio	Meredith Flinn
Connie Buch	Mrs. Moe
Dave McMichael	Norman Rogers, Sr.
Debbie	Paul Williams
Edna Krug	Paulette Bahn
Floss Egizi	Regina Listman
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