

gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." ’

If you are a believer in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; or Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; we welcome you to take Communion with us. It is also perfectly acceptable to take only the bread, or only the wine, if you so wish

If you would like to receive a blessing instead of taking Communion, or would like a prayer for healing at the altar rail, please ask the priest when he comes to you.

SERMON

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY HYMN # 541 Ye servants of God

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FINAL HYMN # 544 O God beyond all praising

SENDING OUT & POSTLUDE

NOTICES

Forthcoming dates: See details on Notice Board

Readings for Sunday 23rd March : (Third Sunday of Lent)
Isaiah 55:1-9; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

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A VERY WARM WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE THIS MORNING

Sunday 16th March 2025
Second Sunday in Lent

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communion, please notify the
welcome person at the back of the
church before the service begins.
The music edition of the Hymn Book is
available at the back of the church

COMMUNION SERVICE

NOTICES & MUSICAL PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN # 337 I, the Lord of sea and sky

WELCOME & PRAYER OF PREPARATION

CONFESSION, KYRIE, ABSOLUTION

(No GLORIA during Lent)

COLLECT PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

(15:1-12.17-18)

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, 'I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a

smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

A READING FROM ST PAUL'S LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS (1:17-4:1)

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL HYMN # 526 New every morning is the love

Gospel Reader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Gospel Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST.

LUKE

(13:31-35)

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen