

Christ Church Trumbull  
*The Fifth Sunday in Lent*  
March 21, 2021

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Opening Hymn** “Now Let us All with One Accord”

Now let us all with one accord,  
in company with ages past,  
keep vigil with our heavenly Lord  
in his temptation and his fast.

Remember, Christ, though frail we be,  
in your own image were we made;  
help us, lest in anxiety,  
we cause your Name to be betrayed.

Therefore, we pray you, Christ, forgive;  
so when our wanderings here shall cease,  
we may with you forever live,  
in love and unity and peace.

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*All* **His mercy endures forever.**

**Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Litany of Penitence**

*The Celebrant and People together, all standing, sitting, or kneeling*

**All Most holy and merciful Father:  
We confess to you and to one another,  
and to the whole communion of saints  
in heaven and on earth,  
that we have sinned by our own fault  
in thought, word, and deed;  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

**All Have mercy on us, Lord.**

We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

**All Have mercy on us, Lord.**

We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

**All We confess to you, Lord.**

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,

**All We confess to you, Lord.**

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

**All We confess to you, Lord.**

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

**All We confess to you, Lord.**

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,

**All We confess to you, Lord.**

Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

**All Accept our repentance, Lord.**

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

**All Accept our repentance, Lord.**

For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,

**All Accept our repentance, Lord.**

Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;

**All Favorably hear us, for your mercy is great.**

Accomplish in us the work of your salvation,

**All That we may show forth your glory in the world.**

By the cross and passion of your Son our Lord,

**All Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

*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.

**All Amen.**

*Celebrant* Lord have mercy.

**All Christ have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Lord have mercy.

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*All*        **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*    Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All*        **Amen.**

**The First Lesson..... Jeremiah 31:31-34**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the Lord’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

*Reader*    Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*All*        **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 119:9-16** (*said responsively by half verse*)

How can young people keep their way pure?  
**by guarding it according to your word.**

With my whole heart I seek you;  
**do not let me stray from your commandments.**

I treasure your word in my heart,  
**so that I may not sin against you.**

Blessed are you, O Lord;  
**teach me your statutes.**

With my lips I declare  
**all the ordinances of your mouth.**

I delight in the way of your decrees  
**as much as in all riches.**

I will meditate on your precepts,  
**and fix my eyes on your ways.**

I will delight in your statutes;  
**I will not forget your word.**

**The Epistle ..... Hebrews 5:5-10**

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

‘You are my Son, today I have begotten you’;  
as he says also in another place,  
‘You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.’

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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**The Gospel ..... John 12:20-33**

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

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

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see Jesus.’ Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, ‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be

glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say — “Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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

**The Sermon.....Pastor Jane Jeuland**

### **The Nicene Creed**

**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**

*Prayer Leader:* Let us Pray.

Father, fill us and believers throughout our diocese and world with the gifts of the Holy Spirit that we all may continue to draw people to you.

Father, we ask that you would fill all those in authority with the wisdom that you gave to Solomon. Guide and direct our leaders to serve with love.

Jesus, you said, "my peace I give you." We ask that you would fill the world with that peace which surpasses all understanding.

Father, you are the God of compassion. We ask that you would be present with all those who suffer from financial, mental, physical, or spiritual distress.

We especially pray today that you would heal and comfort Justin, Evan, Grace, Anna, Max, Roger, Ellie, Rob, Doug, Sal, Steve, Maggie, David, and Joanne.

Merciful Father, we lift up all those who have died. We remember those faithful leaders who have gone before us to build up the faith of this community, and we give thanks for those people who have been a part of our lives and whom we see no longer. We pray especially for the families of Lucia, George, William, Joseph, David, Elizabeth, Lucy, Thomas, Philip, Katherine, and Joao.

*Celebrant* I invite you to say in person or type in the chat any additional prayer requests for traveling, birthdays, anniversaries.

*Celebrant prays for all prayer requests.*

*Celebrant* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.

## **The Peace**

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

*All* And also with you.

## **Announcements**

Sundays 10:30am **PJ Church** for kids.  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85933053985?pwd=SmhFMTdueXVBbUNKMWpZM3Z3MIJaUT09>

Sundays 2:30pm **Wandering Church**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8189413476?pwd=Nk5ZSitHV1diM3FkcG8xRDBHL2pYdz09>

1st/3rd Mondays **Meditation Group at 12pm**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89413310842?pwd=cmc0enROMEV1NmlDelIXdCtzN3NLUT09>

Wednesdays 12:30pm **Prayer Group**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89413310842?pwd=cmc0enROMEV1NmlDelIXdCtzN3NLUT09>



*Celebrant* Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us an offering and sacrifice to God.

**Solo by Matthew Johnson** “Gracefully Broken” ..... Matt Redman

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

*All*        **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 Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your

right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**All**      **We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

**All**      **Amen.**

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,  
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.*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All* **Lord Jesus, I cannot now worship you at the altar of the church in this Sacrament of your Body and Blood, yet in spirit I receive this bread and this wine in my heart, mind, and spirit. Visit me, I pray, with your mercy, pardon, and blessing, and fill me with faith and love and repentance, and so strengthen and sustain me by your grace that I may with pure heart and mind follow you, the only God, now and ever. Amen.**

### **Blessing**

*Celebrant* May God bless you and keep you. May God make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you now and always.

**Closing Hymn “God, My King, thy Might Confessing”**

God, my King, thy might confessing,  
ever will I bless thy name;  
day by day thy throne addressing,  
still will I thy praise proclaim.

Honor great our God befitteth;  
who his majesty can reach?  
Age to age his works transmitteth;  
age to age his pow'r shall teach.

They shall talk of all thy glory,  
on thy might and greatness dwell,  
speak of thy great acts the story,  
and thy deeds of wonder tell.

Full of kindness and compassion,  
slow to anger, vast in love,  
God is good to all creation;  
all his works his goodness prove.

### **Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**