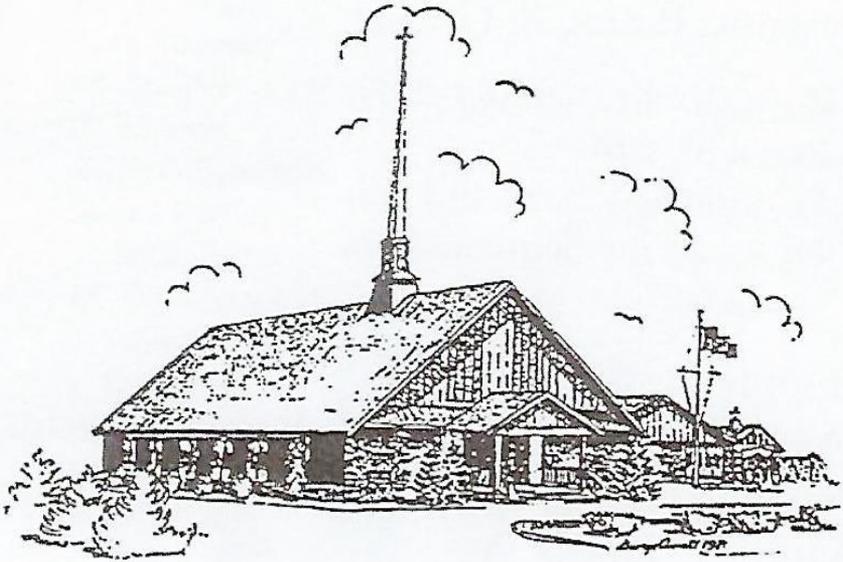


The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

*The Fifth Sunday  
in Lent*



*The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents  
in the Borough of Beach Haven, New Jersey  
21 March, 2021 ~ 9:30 AM*

**Prelude** *Voluntary*

*(Please observe respectful quiet during this time. Thank you.)*

**\*Entrance Hymn** *Open My Eyes, That I may See*

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## **THE WORD OF GOD**

**\*The Opening Acclamation**

BCP, p. 323

*Celebrant:* Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*All:* **His mercy endureth for ever.**

**The Collect for Purity**

BCP, p. 323

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Summary of the Law**

BCP, p. 324

*Celebrant:* 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.

*Kyrie eleison* (All) Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**The Collect of the Day**

BCP, p. 219

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And with thy spirit**

*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. *Amen.*

## The First Reading

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:* The Word of the Lord.

*All:*     **Thanks be to God.**

## The Gradual: Psalm 51:1-13

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \*  
    in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \*  
    and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, \*  
    and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned \*  
    and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak \*  
    and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \*  
    a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \*  
    and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \*  
    wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \*  
 that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \*  
 and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \*  
 and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence \*  
 and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again \*  
 and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

**The Epistle**

**Hebrews 5:5-10**

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 forever,  
 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.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

**\*Sequence Hymn** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

**HAMBURG**

**\*The Holy Gospel**

**John 12:20-33**

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*People:* **Glory be to thee, O 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 judgment 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.

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.** (*All are seated*)

## **The Sermon**

**The Rev. Dr. Caroline Carson+**

### **\*The Nicene Creed**

**BCP, p. 326**

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**

**BCP, p. 329**

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

*Leader:* 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 prayers 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 Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, William, our bishop, Judith, our deacon, and Caroline, our rector, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true 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 and every land especially Joe, our president, Philip, our governor, and Colleen, our mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of The Holy Innocents and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

### **The Confession of Sin**

**BCP, p. 331**

*All:* 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 Christ, 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.

### **The Absolution**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *All: Amen.*

### **\*The Peace** (*All stand*)

*Celebrant:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All:* **And with thy spirit.**

*The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated*

### **The Parish Notices**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory

#### \*Presentation of the Gifts *(All stand)*

*“All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee”*

#### \*The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP, p. 340

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*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.**

*Celebrant:* 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

***Sanctus (All): 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.***

*(The people may kneel or stand)*

*Celebrant:* All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for 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 to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, 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, we thy people do celebrate and make, 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; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

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

### **The Lord’s Prayer**

**BCP, p. 364**

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

*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*Agnus Dei* (All)

**O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us,**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.**

*All:* We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*

## The Communion

*(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. Diocesan guidelines allow the Holy Sacraments in one kind only. Bread will be offered and Wine will be placed on the altar for adoration.)*

## The Prayer of Spiritual Communion

St. Alphonsus Liguori

*(Prayed by those who would normally receive, but are either uncomfortable due to the pandemic or availed to stay at home when normally would be with us.)*

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most holy sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As if you were already there, I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. Permit me never to be separated from you. Amen.

## The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP, p. 339

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*All:* 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.

**\*Blessing**

**\*Hymn #495** *Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!* (vs. 1-3) IN BABILONE

**\*Dismissal** BCP, p. 340

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**Postlude**

**Parish Prayer List – March 21, 2021**

*If you need to add or delete a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by **Wednesday, March 24th.***

Jean Aclin	Connie Anderson	Beth C.
Barry	Bob & Fran	Eddie Boll
Cathy, Claire	Bill & Lynne Cowper	Marie Bregler
Joan Connolly	Judy Contreras	Mary Ann
Mary Ann Crewdson	Michael Reed Davis	Dennis
Carol Dobbins	Meg Dougher	Dreby Family
Ella	Faye & Ed	Ken Hannah
Fran Harris	Hillary	Janet
Janine	Karen & DJ	Robin Koch
Diane Lee	Frank	Lauren & Ed
Lindsey	Cecily Lovas	Kurt Martin
Mary Jane	Rob Meyer	Scott Mitchell
Ronnie & Harry	Virginia Nicholas	Sharon Osborn
TJ Patton	Paula & Abbie	Lucien Picard
Gene Pharo	Carol Ann Renzland	Lara Sparks
Lorraine & Drew	Bill Todd	Robert Thomas
Colin Walker	Wall Family	Ann White
Kate White	Family of Virginia Banks	

**Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:**

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall

**Birthdays:** James F. Bishop, (03/21), Erin Davis Horleman (03/22)  
Steven Scott Miller (03/22), Peter Pierce (03/25), Joyce Hillyer (03/26)  
Jacob Peacock (03/27)

**WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR March 22<sup>nd</sup> – March 27<sup>th</sup>**

22 – Monday	Morning Prayer (online)	9:00 AM
23 – Tuesday	Sung Evening Prayer (online)	6:00 PM
24 - Wednesday	Choir Meeting	7:00 – 8:30 PM
25 – Thursday	Lenten Series via Zoom	6:30 PM
	Compline (online)	9:00 PM
26 – Friday	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
	Stations of the Cross	6:00 PM
	Kids Korner	7:00 PM
27 – Saturday	Praying through the Psalms	7:00 PM

**Upcoming Opportunities in Ministry** – If you are interested in being on any of these teams and committees, please let Mtr. Caroline+ and/or the contact person know!

**Family Promise** – Tom Jacobsen and MaryJane Mannherz

**Environmental Education and Advocacy** – Rob Meyer

**Committee for International Outreach** (To determine HI’s new direction) – Mtr. C & Gail South

**Mission Statement Development Group** – Mtr. C & Kay DeCicco

**Building & Grounds Volunteer Base** – Rich Cashel

**Children’s Ministry Involvement** – Mtr. C and Maggie Aftanis

\* Also, if you would like to lead a Book Study or be involved with Bible Study topic ideas, please see Mtr. Caroline+

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