

Online Evening Service 7 March 2021 | Third Sunday of Lent

Preparation

Choir introit: on Psalm 25, Joe Wardhaugh

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you

All and also with you.

O God make speed to save us

All O Lord make haste to help us.

Though apart in body, we gather in unity of the Spirit of the God of love and in the name of Christ, to offer our praise and thanksgiving, To hear and receive God's holy word, To pray for the needs of the world And to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit We may give ourselves to the service of God.

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; A broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, And acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

All Lord God,

We have sinned against you; We have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us And restore us to the joy of your salvation, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The day is almost over, and the evening has come; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your Spirit come down upon us to set us free to sing your praise for ever and ever

All Amen.

The Magnificat:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed; the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him, from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm and has scattered the proud in their conceit.

Casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.

He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, to remember his promise of mercy,

the promise made to our ancestors, to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning is now And shall be for ever. Amen.

The Word of God

Scripture reading: John 2:13-22

Silence

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God

Though he was divine All he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing. Taking the form of a slave He was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death. even the death of the cross. Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Choir Anthem: Pange Lingua, Anton Bruckner

Short Address

Organ interlude

Prayers

Prayers of Intercession and Silence

Collect for the Third Sunday of Lent:

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your Kingdom come; your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Blessing

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