



KNOWING the Savior ALIGNING with the Lord SEEING the Kingdom come

An Anglican Congregation • Beaufort, South Carolina

The First Sunday in Lent

Sunday, February 21, 2021

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to our Worship Service

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Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Please keep your offering as part of your spiritual practice. You can give online by visiting www.StHelenas1712.org (click the blue "Give Online" button on the homepage) or by texting the number (843) 202-4739. You can also mail your check to the Parish Church of St. Helena, PO Box 1043, Beaufort, SC 29901.

A Penitential Order of Worship

Prelude: (8:30) Our Father, Who Art in Heaven arr. J. S. Bach

Welcome

Hymn: Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days St. Flavian

Lord, who throughout these forty days For us didst fast and pray, Teach us with thee to mourn our sins, And close by thee to stay.

As thou with Satan didst contend, And didst the vict'ry win, O give us strength in thee to fight, In thee to conquer sin.

As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, So teach us, gracious Lord, To die to self, and chiefly live By thy most holy Word.

And thro' these days of penitence, And thro' thy Passiontide, Yea, evermore, in life and death, Jesus! with us abide.

Abide with us, that so, this life Of suff'ring overpast, An Easter of unending joy We may attain at last!

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue

Celebrant: God spoke these words and said: I am the Lord

your God. You shall have no other gods but me.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not take the Name of the Lord your

God in vain.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Honor your father and your mother.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not murder.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not commit adultery.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not steal.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not bear false witness against your

neighbor.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not covet.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these,

your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.

Exodus 20:1-17; Deuteronomy 5:6-21

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Officiant: **People:**

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God. Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The priest says:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to 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. *Amen.*



The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations, and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Please be seated for the reading of God's Word.

First Reading: Exodus 6:2-9

² God spoke to Moses and said to him, "I am the Lord. ³ I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name the Lord I did not make myself known to them. 4 I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners. 5 Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. 6 Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. 7 I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. 8 I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the Lord." 9 Moses spoke thus to the people of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh slavery.

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

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to St. Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Mark 1:9-13

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." ¹² The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon: The Promise of the Lord The Rev. Joe Lawrence

The Prayers of the People (*Kneeling or seated as you are able*)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop, and Mark, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those on our parish prayer list.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes:

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Peace

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

People: And with your spirit.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: (8:30) Hymn of Promise Natalie Sleeth

In the bulb there is a flower;
In the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise:
Butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
There's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
Seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness,
Bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
What it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
In our time, infinity.
In our doubt, there is believing;
In our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
At the last a victory,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

The Parish Choir and the Choir of Boys and Girls

Please stand as you are able.

The Sursum Corda

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Sanctus

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.

Kneeling or seated as you are able.

The Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer

The Fraction

Celebrant: Christ our Passover Lamb has been

sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation

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 Ministration of Communion

Communion Response: Shepherd of Souls St. Agnes

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless Thy chosen pilgrim flock With manna in the wilderness, With water from the Rock.

We would not live by bread alone, But by thy word of grace, In strength of which we travel on To our abiding place.

The Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn: The God of Abraham Praise

The God of Abraham praise,
Who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,
And God of love;
To him uplift your voice,
At whose supreme command
From earth we rise and seek the joys
At his right hand.

He by himself hath sworn;
I on his oath depend;
I shall, on eagle wings upborne,
To heav'n ascend;
I shall behold his face,
I shall his pow'r adore,
And sing the wonders of his grace
For evermore.

The God who reigns on high The great archangels sing, And "Holy, Holy," cry, "Almighty King! Who was, and is the same, And evermore shall be; Eternal Father, great I AM, We worship thee."

The whole triumphant host Give thanks to God on high; "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" They ever cry; Hail, Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays; All might and majesty are thine, And endless praise.

The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: (8:30) Choral from Suite Gothique Léon Boëllmann

Please take your bulletin with you and be mindful of social-distancing recommendations as you leave.

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- Family Night, Wednesdays, 5:30 pm-6:30 pm.
- Equip, Thursdays, Who Is Jesus?, 5:30-6:30 pm.
- Adult and Youth Confirmation classes begin February 25th, check the eNews for registration link.
- Please contact Kay Wilson, wilgroup101@yahoo.com, for opportunities to provide altar flowers.
- The next LOVE Beaufort Day is Saturday, February 27. Please contact Jai Dowell, Director of Local Missions, jdowell@sthelenas1712.org for more information.
- Interested in a Small Group? Contact Maddie Steen, Small Groups Coordinator, msteen@sthelenas1712.org.
- New smart phone app is available for Apple and Android devices. Download from your app store, St. Helena's Anglican Church.
- Remember to make reservations for the 8:30 am Sunday worship by 3:30 pm each Friday.

The eNews is distributed at 3 pm Tuesday of each week. Check your inbox for more details on events and news around campus.

This Week's Prayer List

High altar flowers

Given by Arthur Taylor to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sarah Taylor and in thanksgiving for Mary Ann Taylor.

Flowers at the baptismal font

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Walt Whitcomb, Nic Barnett, and Eric and Sheila Calcraft.

Please pray for all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially the following:

For those in our parish family: Elsa and Jere Ayers, Becky Baldwin, Marge Barber, Doris Bland, Mary Grey Boatwright, Lonny and Tedda Burton, Tamy Cargill, Susan Cato, Sam Chesnutt, Jack Clark, Harry Councell, Carroll Crowther, Wyatt deTreville, Anna Diaz, Bill Elliott, John Ellsworth, Frank Giammona, Kay Gorse, Angel Gray, Stephanie Gulbrandsen, Maude Hornsby, Lori and Bob Jackson, Ross and Celeste Jones, Carol Kamm, Chuck and Carole Knapp, McDuff Family, Mike McMahon, Steve and Beverly Melvin, Sally Miller, Steve Mix, Dee Moss, Margy Oehlert, Doadie Parker, Anne Pinckney, Annie Pollak, Ric Schwank, Tommy Schwank, Ed Stephan, Keith Strawn, Shirley Sutton, Patti Teter, Jani and Annie Ubelis, Betty Walsh, and Ray Williams.

For extended family or friends of our parish family: John Allen, Mischelle Anderson, Sally Babin, Peter Balsam, Jessica Bass, Beaufort Nursing and Rehab residents and staff, Marcia and Herbert Benford, Eva, Ron and Francis Blais; Jan Bodnar, Bob Burns, Ashley Bush, Ben Byrne, Andrea Cain, Scott Campbell, Jean Carlson, Meghan Carter, Joe Credle, Brendon Dasher, Ashley Demosthanes, Angela Devine, Ken Dishop, Zachariah Driggers, Bill and Judy Gaines, Jody Gaskin, Jim Gettys, Jayna Gibson, Veena

Goburdhun, Brad Grove, Christopher Hathaway, Clint Heyd, Linda Heyd, Linda Hinson, Hyatt family, Janelle, Steve King, Lou Lachicotte, Martha Lachicotte, Tammy Lentner and family, Gage Lowe, Ashleigh McGillivray, Anne Merritt, John Meyer, Zoran and Annie Misic, Jean Morris, Milledge Morris, Wade and Peggy Otey, Cheryl Parker, Sarah Pergande, Debbie Pollak, Pete Pratt, Karen Ranieri, Joe Ritchie, Bruce Roberts and Family, Schnieder family, Connie Chesnutt Simmons, Judy Smith, Debbie Steed, Lettie Stoops, Mary Sumner, Jon Thomforde, Christopher Thompson, Agnes Truluck, Jason Ward, Vergie Watson, and Bernadette and Bob Wilks.

For all our U.S. service members defending our country, especially the following who are deployed overseas:

Tommy Bardenwerper, Robert Batts, Rodney Parker, Austin Sneed, and Michael Joseph Tollison.

For these expectant parents: Caitlin (Williams) and Greg Boyd, Julia and CR Cumbee (via adoption), Marie and Bill Payne, Mary Beth (Mitchell) and David Powell, Kaci and Christopher Reich, and Gretchen and Jamie Sosnowski (via adoption).

For our foreign and local missionaries supported by

St. Helena's: Fr. John, Kim, Philip, Roger and Joanne Griffin, Lacy, Marentes, Todd and Patsy McGregor, Fred and Onkwaro Ochieng, Zach and Noelle Slagel and Carolyn Wolfenbarger.

Names on the prayer list are the initial communication to the clergy of a need for prayer. In order to keep the list current, names remain on the list for 30 days. Expectant parents remain on the list until their children are born and deployed military until they return home. Please fill out an online Prayer Request form or call the church office at (843) 522-1712 to submit a prayer request and inform the clergy of hospitalizations. Updated 2/18/2021

For pastoral care concerns for yourself or another parishioner, please contact Anne Mitchell, our Pastoral Care Coordinator, at (843) 575-1780 or email her at amitchell@sthelenas1712.org.

Participating in the Service:

The Rev. Joe Lawrence, Associate Rector
The Rt. Rev. Alden Hathaway, Bishop in Residence
The Rev. Zach Miller, Assistant to the Rector
The Rev. Keith O'Neal, Deacon (8:30)
The Rev. Jim Cato, Deacon (10:00)
Jeff Harbin, Choirmaster and Organist (8:30)
The Parish Choir and the Choir of Boys and Girls (8:30)
Anna Booman, John and Estee Hermesmann, Musicians (10:00)
Freda Woodward, Lector (8:30)
Barbara Hathaway, Lector (10:00)

Our Vision

St. Helena's will boldly proclaim the saving Gospel and Lordship of Jesus Christ, and through intentional discipleship, will raise up servant leaders and worshipping communities in Beaufort and beyond, seeing the Kingdom come.

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