

February 28, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.

The Second Sunday in Lent



Annual Visitation of
the Rt. Rev. Dorsey McConnell
and the confirmation of Theodore Somes III

St. David's Episcopal Church
...reaching out to warmly welcome all.

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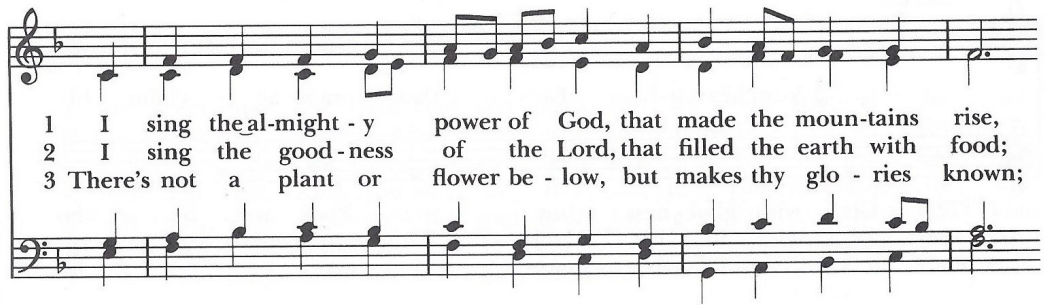
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The Holy Eucharist

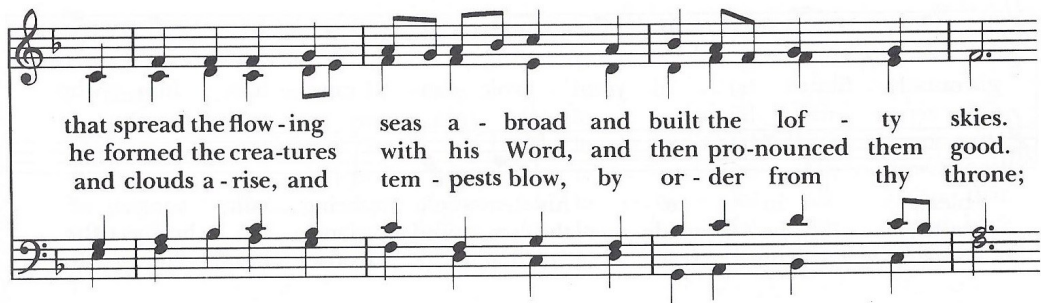
Announcements

Opening Hymn: #398

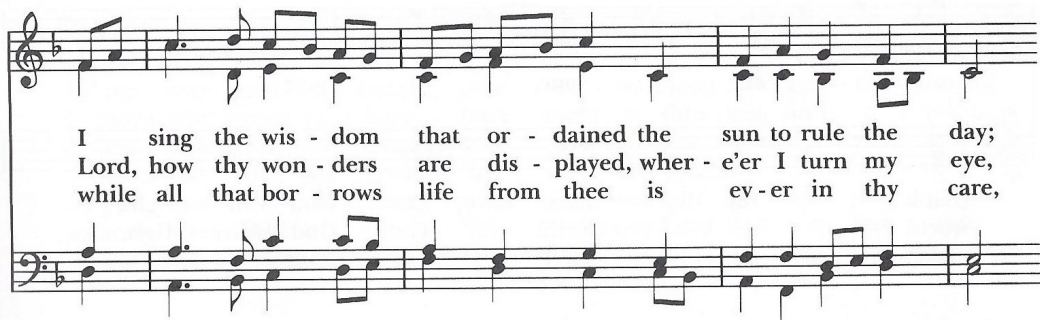
“I sing the almighty power of God”



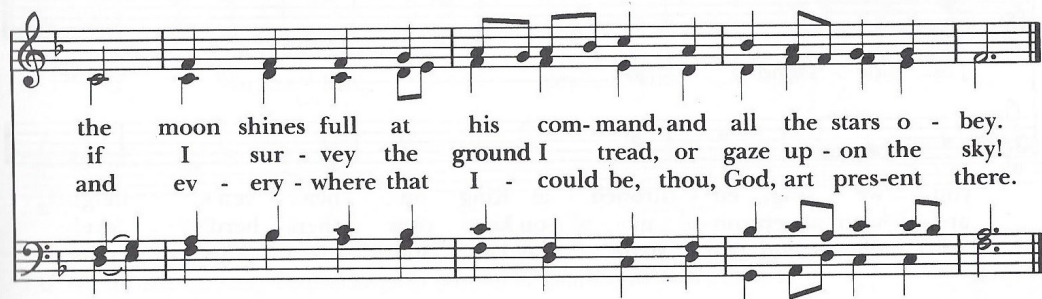
1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.
he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.
and clouds a - rise, and tem - pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;
Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,
while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery - where that I - could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

The Word of God

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
People *His mercy endures forever.*
Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People *One God and Father of all.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lesson

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Song: "All of Creation"

**Millard, Muckala, Bannister,
Bryson, Cochran, Graul,
Scheuchzer & Shaffer**

(VERSE 1)

Separated until the veil was torn,
The moment that hope was born
And guilt was pardoned once and for all.

(VERSE 2)

Captivated, but no longer bound by chains
Left at an empty grave,
The sinner and the sacred resolved.

(CHORUS)

And all of creation, sing with me now,
Lift up your voice and lay your burden down.
And all of creation, sing with me now,
Fill up the heavens, let His glory resound.

(VERSE 3)

When time has faded, and we see Him face to face,
Every doubt erased,
Forever we will worship the King.

(CHORUS)

(INTERLUDE)

Oh....., oh....., oh..

(BRIDGE)

The reason we breathe is to sing of His glory,
And for all He has done, praise the Father, praise the
Son,
And the Spirit in One.

(CHORUS)

(ENDING)

And ev'ry knee will bow, oh and every tongue,
Praise the Father, praise the Son, and the Spirit in
One.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 8:31-38

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their

life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Dorsey McConnell

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

The Candidate will now be presented.

Presenter I present Theodore Some III for Confirmation.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate *I do.*

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate *I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.*

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Theodore in his life in Christ?

People *We will.*

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Let us join with he who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People *I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.*

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbors as yourself?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Prayers for the Candidate

Let us pray for Theodore who has renewed his commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in this your servant the covenant you made with him at his Baptism. Send him forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before him; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Confirmation

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant Theodore with your Holy Spirit; empower him for your service; and sustain him all the days of his life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Presentation hymn: The Doxology

*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People *We lift them to the Lord.*
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po- wer and might.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *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

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Prayer for Those Unable to Receive

Lord we believe that you are present in this most Holy Sacrament. Though I cannot receive the sacrament at this time, we know that your grace and love are always present and we receive your Holy Spirit into our hearts. Remind us of your presence and keep us until we are able to gather to receive again. Amen.

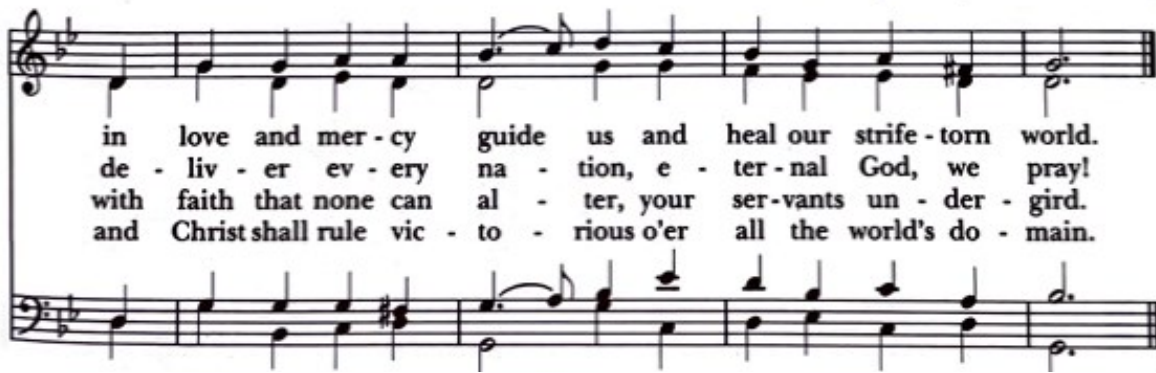
Communion Hymn #607:

“O God of every nation”

1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,
2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,
3 Lord, strength-en all who la - bor that we may find re - lease
4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;
from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc-tion through the night,
from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;
when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,
from pride of race and na - tion and blind - ness to your way,
when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;
till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign



Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People *Thanks be to God!*

Prayer List

We pray for all who are ill, or in any trouble, need or sorrow, especially for... Any affected, directly or indirectly, by COVID-19, Emily & Ben, Barb, Jen and Lana, Mark, Julie, Harper, & Trent, Allison, Sherry, Ernie, Eileen, Judy, Nancy, Don, Lindsey, Kelly, Jason, Joan, all those who serve in the armed forces of the United States, for all who fight in the conflicts of the world and for the day when war will finally cease. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. David's Episcopal Church in Peters Township. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church in Central America. We also pray for our siblings of Peters Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church and those of The ACNA Parish of Christ the Redeemer South Hills.

Announcements

Communion will be available after worship from 11-11:30am. Rev. Kris will be available to distribute communion under the portico for any who joined for worship virtually and wish to receive. If you are running late and want to come, please text Fr. Kris and let him know you're on your way (412-780-6212).

The Beloved Community Initiative (BCI) leadership is launching a diocese-wide survey to get the temperature of each parish on the topic of racial justice, healing and reconciliation. All are encouraged to take this 9-question survey found here: <https://www.episcopalpgh.org/share-awareness-of-the-bci/> by March 15th.

Virtual Children's Trivia Night will be Thursday, March 4 from 6:30-7:15pm

Save the Date: VBS will be the first week of August (Aug 3-6). We will absolutely need volunteers so if that date works for your family, please reach out to Caylin Charrie (caylinroach@yahoo.com or 724-777-4791).

Preschool Registration is now open for all. If interested, please fill out the registration form sent out via email or on the preschool's Facebook page. Please contact Katie or Beth with any questions (stdavidspreschool@gmail.com).