

H O L Y C O M M U N I O N



Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026 | 10:00AM

Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church | Marion, Massachusetts

Welcome to Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church

St. Gabriel's Newsletter, Tidings, is a weekly email with reminders about important events in parish life. Please call the parish office (508-748-1507) and give us your e-mail address or mailing address so we can keep you involved. Remember the following in your prayers today and during the coming week.

For Healing: John Abbot, Heather Bradley, Ryan Conant, Sheila Converse, Howard Carter Davis, Donna Duddy, Marisa & Anthony Eilers, Cynthia Evans, Kathy Feeney, James Good, Nancy Griswold, Catriana Hall, Rob Hiller, Bernie Klim, Sr., Libby Klim, Bernie Klim, Jr., Patricia Leite, Adriano Lima, Danny Miller, Mary Moller, Jimmy O'Maiza, Wayne Porter, Jean & Kevin Pulsifer, Cathy Roberts, Betty Savery, Karen Silva, Ben Smith, Maria Stanley, Matthew Stanley & Family, Adam Stauff, Diana Tottenham, Patricia Voigt, Rowland Rice Egerton-Warburton, Nash Waterman, Carol Zefeber, Michelle, Tori, Matt, Beau, Lukoff

Men & Women serving in our Armed Services: Ben Hall, Ned Havel, James Kinney, Andriy Noble & Patrick O'Brien

The Word of God

When the prelude begins, please practice silence and ready your heart for worship.

PRELUDE

Siciliano (from Concerto in D Minor)

Antonio Vivaldi
arr. J. S. Bach

Penitential Order

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The God of Abraham praise

#401 vv. 1, 3, 4, 5 *Leoni*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People ***His mercy endures for ever.***

DECALOGUE

The Decalogue is said, the People kneeling.

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

KYRIE

S 96 Schubert

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

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 Lessons

FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-4a

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

¹Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” ^{4a}So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 121

Remain seated.

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills; *

from where is my help to come?

²***My help comes from the LORD, ****

the maker of heaven and earth.

³He will not let your foot be moved *

and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

⁴***Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel ****

shall neither slumber nor sleep;

⁵The LORD himself watches over you; *

the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

⁶***So that the sun shall not strike you by day, ****

nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *

it is he who shall keep you safe.

⁸***The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, ****

from this time forth forevermore.

SECOND READING: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. ¹³For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all

his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Praise our great and gracious Lord

#393, v. 1 *Moaz Zur*

GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

Praise our great and gracious Lord

#393, v. 2 *Moaz Zur*

THE SERMON

The Rev. David Fredrickson

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

All stand.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us come before God in this Lententide, praising and blessing and adoring the everliving God, saying: In your glorious mercy, Lord, bear our prayer.

O God, who spoke through the prophets and who came to us in the only begotten one, show to your church all things. Make us hear your purpose and receive your grace; confirm in your truth all the baptized, especially bishops and clergy, theologians and teachers, mystics and martyrs, and all the lay people who serve you and your kingdom through their various and sundry vocations. In your glorious mercy, ***Lord, hear our prayer***

Lord of promise and deliverance, we thank you for birthing us in the waters of baptism and for drowning our death in your unending life. We beg that your love well up within us that our whole lives may worship you. In your glorious mercy, **Lord, hear our prayer**

God of the people of Israel, Sovereign of every nation, grant your vision of mercy and justice to all who rule in the earth especially our president, members of Congress, and our state and local elected officials. Prosper the labors of those seeking peace. Assist all who work for reconciliation and peace. In your glorious mercy, **Lord, hear our prayer**

O Holy One with the pierced limbs and side, bind us to all who suffer. Keep us mindful of all innocent victims, all the oppressed, all the dying. Reveal to us those who are despised, the outcast, the alien, the forlorn. Look upon the sick and summon us to restlessness until all who suffer find rest from their sorrow. In your glorious mercy, **Lord, hear our prayer**

God of mercy, we pray for all who have died, that they may be at peace. This morning we pray especially for Hanna Milhench and David Titus in whose memory the peace lilies have been given. In your glorious mercy, **Lord, hear our prayer**

The celebrant adds a concluding collect

From: *Intercessions for the Christian People*, The Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN 1988; pp. 23

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Out of the depths I cry to thee
St. Gabriel's Choir

Camille Saint-Saëns
arr D. Busarow

Out of the depths I cry unto thee,
Hear thou my supplications.
If thou, O Lord, should mark my iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

#380 v. 3 *Old 100th*

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

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 him thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:

SANCTUS

S 130 Schubert

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)

The Breaking of the Bread

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

And now, O Father, mindful of the love

#337 Unde et memores

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER GOD'S PEOPLE

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lift High the Cross

#473 Crucifer

DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fugue

Jean François Dandrieu

Clergy & Staff

Interim Priest: The Rev. David Fredrickson;
Deacon: The Rev. Kristine Holmes;
Director of Music: David N. Burnham

Assisting at Today's Liturgy

Ushers: Rick Laine; Tanya Ambrosi; **Chalice Bearer:** TBD;
Lector: Beth Burnham;
Altar Guild: Cathy Cowell & Kathy Reed

*The Peace Lilies are given in loving memory of Hanna Milbench by the Milbench family
and David Titus by the Men's Group.*

Weekly Reminder

Tues 3 rd	9:00 a.m.	Garden Club
Wed 4 th	12:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Vespers
	6:30 p.m.	Lectio Divina
Thurs 5 th	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sun 8 th	8:00 a.m.	Rite I Chapel Service
	10:00 a.m.	Rite II Church Service



Join us in the parish hall after church for coffee hosted by Laurie Knight

Announcements

- ❖ Lenten Book Study with Deacon Kris – Thursdays at 12:30 pm in the Parish Library.
- ❖ Lectio Divina will be offered during Lent on Wednesday evenings following Vespers in the library – The first meeting will be Feb 25th.
- ❖ Mission Trip Country Western Night Fundraiser – March 28th at 6-8pm in Parish Hall - \$25 donation

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