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The Confession & Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

Celebrant O God, you search us out and know us,
and all that we are is open to you.
We confess that we are entangled in sin.

People **Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

When we avoid examining ourselves
but jump to examine our neighbors:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we show great discipline in pursuit of worldly wealth,
but invest neither energy nor enthusiasm in the treasures of the Spirit:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we clamor for your crown,
but refuse to shoulder your cross:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we confess you amongst your friends
but deny you when your enemies close in:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we build our comforts and pleasures on the sacrifice of others,
instead of sacrificing our privileges to build a world that all can share:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we would rather crucify the prophets
than unweave the web of injustice.
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we demand instant results
and scorn those who find value in waiting,
in yearning, even in suffering, even in dying:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we look for
an easier gospel;
a lighter cross;
a less demanding savior:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Celebrant The Lord our God is kind and full of mercy,
always ready to forgive and not punish.
Christ, by uniting with us and sharing in our sin,
has enabled us to share in the righteousness of God.

People Beloveds of God, your sins are forgiven;
be at peace.
Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

Children's Message "All that we have is yours oh God, give us also grateful hearts."

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Linda Perkins

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And
the Lord God commanded the man,

“You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves

Lector Holy wisdom, holy word.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm, 32 (sung)



1 Happy are they whose transgressions are for- ' given *
and whose sin is put a- ' way!

2 Happy are they to whom God imputes no - ' guilt *
and in whose spirit there is no ' guile!

3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered a- ' way, *
because of my groaning all day ' long.

4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and ' night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of ' summer.

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to ' you *
and did not conceal my ' guilt.

6 I said, “I will confess my transgressions to ' God.” *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my ' sin.

7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you,
in time of ' trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not ' reach them.

8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from ' trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of de-' liverance.

9 “I will instruct you, and teach you in the way that you
should ' go; *
I will guide you with my ' eye.

10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have
no under- ' standing, *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay ' near you."

11 Great are the tribulations of the ' wicked, *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the ' Most High.
12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in ' God; *
shout for joy, all who are true of ' heart.

Second Lesson: Romans 5:12-19

Linda Perkins

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Lector Holy wisdom, holy word.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn, #150

Forty days and forty nights

The Hymnal 1982

Holy Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

The Rev. David Heald

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, O God.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

 'One does not live by bread alone,
 but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord.
People Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Sukie Curtis

Hymn, #448

O love how deep

The Hymnal 1982

Affirmation of Faith

Celebrant Let us affirm our faith:
People **We believe in God**
whose love is the source of all life
and the desire of our lives,
whose love was given a human face
in Jesus of Nazareth,
whose love was crucified by the evil
that waits to enslave us all
and whose love, defeating even death,
is our glorious promise of freedom.
Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful
and full of doubt,
in God we trust;
and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves
in the service of others,
to seek justice and to live in peace,
to care for the earth
and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness,
to live in the freedom of forgiveness,
and the power of the spirit of love,
and in the company of the faithful
so to be the church,
for the glory of God.
Amen.

Prayers of the People

John Perkins

Leader

Let us offer our prayers to God, who is our strength in times of weakness, who lifts us when we fall, who guides us in our wanderings, and who empowers us to be God's faithful people in the world.

Silence for reflection.

Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

O Christ, beloved Son of God, we who gather in your name pray that we may find this season of Lent to be a time of dedication and renewal. We pray that your church may sharpen its witness and renew its commitment to serve in Jesus' name.

Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

We pray for our bishops, clergy, and lay leaders. In the Anglican Communion, we pray today for The Church of Ireland. In our diocese, we pray today for St. Barnabas in Rumford, St. Ann's in Windham, and St. Francis by the Sea in Blue Hill. Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

We pray for our country and for all the nations of the world, that we may champion the cause of peace and justice. We pray for our President, the Congress, and the courts, and for the work of the United Nations.

Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

We pray for those who suffer the effects of greed, prejudice, or selfishness and for all who are exploited by others. We pray for refugees and the homeless, and for all who are caught in sectarian violence or war, especially the peoples of Palestine, Israel, Sudan, and Ukraine.

Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

We pray for all who have set us an example of godly living, for those who teach and mentor others, and for those who work with young people and the needy. We thank God for healers and reconcilers among us, and we pray for our colleagues, families, friends, and neighbors.

Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

We pray for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit. May they not lose hope, but rather find support in their friends, families, and in the community of faith. We pray for those on our parish prayer list:

Virginia & Jamil; Jenny & Matt; Sasha; Paige; Nathaniel; Haskell; Don; Gregory; Andy; Molly; Nova; Steven; Jenn; Vance; Ted; Matt & Shannon; Lem; Carol; Beverly; Ben; Morgan; Benson; Hana; Celeste; Hans; Pam; Hurshell; Melanie; Susan; Sue; Brooke; Elizabeth; Danny; the McMasters family; the Diers family; and the Ryan family.

And, we pray for those we name before you now aloud or silently (*pause for intercessions*).

Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

We give thanks, O God, for all who have triumphed over death and who now serve you in the peace of your heavenly kingdom. We pray for those who are approaching death and those who grieve, that they may be comforted. We remember all those who have died, especially Diana Branch McMasters, friend of Barbara Barhydt; Joe Diers, uncle of Jamie Michaud; and Pat Ryan, friend of Paule French, and those we name before you now aloud or silently (*pause for intercessions*).

Abide with us, O God,

These forty days of Lent.

Celebrant Abide with us, O God, throughout these forty days, we pray. Quicken our minds, stir our hearts, and empower our actions, that our love and discipleship may be renewed and our commitment to others be rejuvenated throughout this holy season. Grant this through Christ, our companion and guide.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with the sign of peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to God.

Our offerings of bread and wine are brought forward at this time.

Offertory Anthem

"Kyrie" by John Rutter

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison

The offering is now brought forward.

Offertory Prayer

Intern Let us pray,

People **All things come of Thee, O God, and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

Celebrant All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out of the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus, #736

Hymnal 1940

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and
earth are full of thy glo-ry: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. A - men.

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant Redeeming God, over forty days you flooded the earth, over forty years you led your people through the wilderness, and over forty days your Spirit led Jesus through the desert. Bless us through the sustenance of this food and drink to profess your Son's death and resurrection.

Send down your Holy Spirit, that we may come to resemble and follow our crucified and risen Savior, and that this bread and this cup may become for us our everlasting banquet, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup. Again, he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Celebrant Great is the mystery of faith.
People **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Sanctifying God, where your children are in the wilderness, lead them to your heart. Where your people are hungry for you, give them practices of fasting and Scripture-reading and alms-giving and repentance and prayer. Where your followers know hardships and sorrow visit them with the comforting power of your presence.

People Raise up the glory of your resurrection from the ashes of our pride and sloth and greed, that all your church and the whole creation may celebrate the wonders of your love, until the day when everyone shall perceive you and praise you, you are all in all, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever one God, Mother of us all.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer, #864

Wonder, Love, and Praise

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
(*Congregation and Choir will chant on a monotone G throughout*)

People **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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Fraction

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The Invitation

Celebrant Come, for all is now ready. The gifts of God for the people of God.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

Everyone is welcome to receive communion at St. Bart's! The ushers will invite you to come forward through the center aisle, individuals and families are invited to stand along the rounded edge of the chancel to receive the bread, hands facing upward for bread with gluten, hands facing down will indicate you'd like gluten free bread. The Chalice Bearer will follow the Priest with the cup of wine. You are invited to sip from the cup. If you would prefer not to sip from the cup, you may place your hands across your chest to receive the blessing of the words. If you would prefer to receive neither the bread nor the wine but would like to come forward for a blessing, please come forward as described above and simply cross your arms at your chest and the Priest will offer a blessing. Hand sanitizer is available in the aisle. Please use the side aisles to return to your seat once you have received.

Communion Hymns

308 O food to pilgrims / 311 O saving victim

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Post Communion Prayer

Intern God of the feast,
we thank you for satisfying us at your table
with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

People **In the strength of this meal,
refreshed by your Holy Spirit,
send us into a hungry world
with food and love and Good News to share. Amen.**

Blessing

Celebrant The God of peace,
who gives food to every living creature,
give you your daily bread,
and make you hungry and thirsty for justice.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord Jesus Christ,
who feeds us in this sacrament,
give you strength for work and witness,
and bring you to the wedding banquet of heaven and earth.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant The Spirit of grace,
who nourishes hearts and minds with saving truth,
give you joyful companions at Wisdom's feast,
and send you to feed the hungry and bring good news to the poor.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant And the blessing of God,
holy eternal Majesty,
holy incarnate Word,
holy abiding Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Closing Hymn, #688

A mighty fortress

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The Dismissal

Intern

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"A Mighty Fortress" by J. Walther

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. David Heald
Preacher	The Rev. Sukie Curtis
Music	Dr. Christina Edelen
Musicians	The St. Bart's Choir
Chalice Bearer	John Perkins
Nonvested Chalice Bearer	Barbara Barhydt
Lector	Linda Perkins
Ushers	Tom Hyndman, Nancy Gunzelmann
Altar Guild	Jan Burson
Altar Plant	Barbara Barhydt
A/V	Arthur Woolverton
Bread Baker	Nancy Gunzelmann
Counters	Harriet Davis, Dennis Fitzgibbons
Snow Removal	Kevin Gillan
VPOW	Basil Souder
Coffee Hour	Imelda Schaefer & Mary Calvin

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