

**THE MINISTRY OF WORD****WE GATHER**

The Penitential Order  
The Decalogue  
The Confession of Sin  
Thrice Holy

Book of Common Prayer p. 319  
Book of Common Prayer p. 317  
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Book of Common Prayer p. 324

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.

**WE LISTEN**

First Reading Genesis 12:1-4a  
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. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I 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." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Psalm 121

1 I 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.

3 He 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;

5 The 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.

7 The 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 for evermore.

## Second Reading

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For 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. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For 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, as 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.

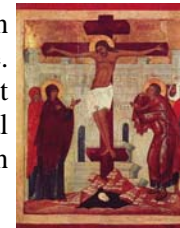
## Holy Gospel

John 3:1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He 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." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus 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?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The 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." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "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. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man



be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "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. "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."



Sermon

Rev. Jack Hardaway

**WE RESPOND**

The Nicene Creed  
The Prayers of the People  
The Peace

Book of Common Prayer p.326  
Book of Common Prayer p.328  
Book of Common Prayer p.333

**THE MINISTRY OF SACRAMENT****WE OFFER UP**

The Offering  
The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer I Book of Common Prayer p.333

**WE ARE FED**

Postcommunion Prayer Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Blessing

**WE ARE SENT OUT**


The Sending Forth Book of Common Prayer p. 339

**Having been fed the body and blood of Christ we are compelled** to go out into the world to proclaim the Good News of God in Christ, to seek and serve Christ in all persons, to strive for justice and peace among all people, and to respect the dignity of every human being.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS****Christian Formation**

We will have a Haiti-Helping a Hurting World lessons on **March 6 through 27<sup>th</sup>**.

Lenten materials are available in the Cloister.

 Father Jack will lead a class on C.S. Lewis' book The Screwtape Letters as a Lenten study. Class will meet in his office **March 13-27, April 10, 17** at 9:15 am. Bring your own copy.

Thirty Nine Articles of Faith—Rob Elsner leading this class on Sunday mornings in the Parlor at 9:15 a.m.

The Youth will have **Prayer Stations** set up in the parlor for use during Lent. Prayer Stations are designed to help people create time and space to experience God in their lives. This is an individual experience and the stations are set up to use at your own pace and as many or as few as you feel the desire or need. The church is open Monday through Thursday 8:30-4:30 and Friday 8:30-12:30.

**Every Sunday in March the Capital Campaign Committee is offering tours of the proposed areas for repair and restoration. If you are interested, meet your guide at the cross in the Cloister after the 8:00 and the 10:30 service. Guide will be identified during announcements.**

**OUTREACH**

Thanks to all who helped with the food drive. The total was over 2500 pounds! Just because the food drive is officially over the need is not. Any food brought to the church will be delivered to the food pantries.

**BBQ date is October 15th.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Stop Hunger Now March 27th**  
**2:00-4:00 at Christ Church**, the meals we pack will go to feed the hungry in Haiti. The website is [Stophunger-now.org](http://Stophunger-now.org) if you want to learn more.

If each congregation could bring ten or more people and what money they can this will be great! Spread the word!




**GOOD SHEPHERD CAMPAIGN  
 KICKOFF CELEBRATION  
 APRIL 17TH PALM SUNDAY**

Immediately after the  
 10:30 AM Service  
 Parish Hall

Light Brunch  
 Music  
 Fellowship

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 # \_\_\_\_\_ Adults  
 # \_\_\_\_\_ Children

Or call Phyllis at 225-8011



**Easter Flower Memorials**  
 If you would like to place flowers in the church in celebration of the Resurrection, complete the form and return to the parish office **before April 10th.**  
 Minimum contribution for flowers is \$20.

Memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Given by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayers**  
**Pray for healing and comfort**

- Julie Kent
- John Bostater
- Karlann Bostater -chronic leukemia,cancer
- Josey family
- Leif Jacobsen
- Anna May Jacobsen
- Barb Fligel
- David Rutledge
- Wilma Eady -health issues
- Rick Fletcher-cancer
- Jesse Cheek-health issues
- Betty Halverson-pancreatic cancer—mother of Mary Waldo
- Ellen Dollar -cancer
- Wendie Cheek -cancer
- Smith Pruitt-multiple myeloma
- Rita Swofford
- Lee Morris
- David Cullen
- The family of Earl Ramey
- Lucas Swann
- Sharon Reynolds
- Judith Feltman
- Don Ross
- Trent Gilbert-breathing difficulties
- John Aronson
- Ross Hutcheon
- Margie Osburn
- Inez Greenway-breast cancer
- Marla Pietrawski-breast cancer
- Don Shaver

**Expectant Families:** Mandy & Heiko Erlenkeuser, Caroline & Chris Ripley.

**Requested by**

- Kathy Bostater
- Kathy Bostater
- Linda Hoffman
- Greta Jacobsen
- Greta Jacobsen
  
- Anne Radnor
- Billy Croy
- Dudley Jenkins Family
- Jack Hardaway
- Jack Hardaway
- Sara Cheek
- Mary Winiarski
- Don Cleveland
- Lynn Prince
- John Cullen
- Ed Rampey
- Suzanne Turner
- Suzanne Turner
- Leigh Burns
- Sara Cheek
- Jackie Lenhart
  
- Nancy Welch
- Hugh Osburn
- Lily Hall



SALVATION

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 Diocesan Website [www.edusc.org](http://www.edusc.org).

**8:00 A.M**  
**March 20, 2011**  
**The Second Sunday In Lent**

**Welcome to Grace Church!**

We invite your participation in our life and ministry. Please fill out a visitor card and drop it in the offering plate so we can contact you. All baptized Christians, including children, are invited to share in Holy Communion. The ushers will direct you to the altar rail. **Hold your outstretched hands to receive the bread. Please help guide the chalice to your lips.** If you do not desire to receive the sacrament, please cross your arms across your chest, indicating you desire a blessing. Thank you for worshipping with us!

This Week's Events March 20-26		
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 am	HE Rite I
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Screwtape Letters
	10:30 am	HE Rite II
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	2:00 pm	Convocation
	5-7	EYC
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	11:00 am	Women's Bible Study
	5:30 pm	Children's Choir
	5:30 pm	Evening Prayer
	6:00 pm	Lenten Supper
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir
<b>Thursday</b>	12:00 Noon	Men's Prayer Group
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00—4:00	Healing a Hurting World -Christ Church

**Those Who Serve**

- Vestry:** Elliott Holman
- Lector:** Anthony Guiseppi-Elie
- Intercessor/Chalice Bearer:** Kathe Harris