

# A HOLY LENT

**The Third Sunday in Lent**

Sunday, March 3, 2024





# TODAY'S OFFERING OF WORSHIP THIS THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

*We gather together...*

**PRELUDE:** Grave, Adagio from *Sonata No.2 in C minor*

~ F. Mendelssohn

## WELCOME

## CONFESSION

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden;  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name;  
through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins,  
we might live for righteousness. (*1 Peter 2:24*)

## KYRIE ELEISON

### Lord, Have Mercy (*Kyrie Eleison*)

Thomas Pavlechko

(Choir) (Congregation) (Choir)

Lord, have\_\_merc - y. Lord, have\_\_merc -- y. Christ, have\_\_merc - y.

(Congregation) (Choir) (Congregation)

Christ, have\_\_merc -- y. Lord, have merc - y. Lord, have mer -- cy.

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G-clef. The first staff has three measures: the first measure is for the Choir with lyrics 'Lord, have\_\_merc - y.', the second measure is for the Congregation with lyrics 'Lord, have\_\_merc -- y.', and the third measure is for the Choir with lyrics 'Christ, have\_\_merc - y.'. The second staff has three measures: the first measure is for the Congregation with lyrics 'Christ, have\_\_merc -- y.', the second measure is for the Choir with lyrics 'Lord, have merc - y.', and the third measure is for the Congregation with lyrics 'Lord, have mer -- cy.'. The music is written in a simple, melodic style with quarter and eighth notes.



## SECOND LESSON

I Corinthians 1:18-25 (New Testament page 166)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

## \*GOSPEL LESSON

John 2:13-22 (New Testament page 93)

The Gospel of our Lord, God's living Word. **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**CHORAL ANTHEM:** *O Lord, Give Thy Holy Spirit*

~ Thomas Tallis

*O Lord, give thy holy spirit in to our hearts, and lighten our understanding  
that we may dwell in the fear of thy name, all the days of our life;  
that we may know thee, the only true God,  
and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent, that we may hast sent.*

**SERMON:** Rev. Todd Johnson

*...and to respond with our lives...*

\***HYMN #692:** *God is Working His Purpose Out*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### OFFERINGS TO GOD

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### OFFERING

#### \*DOXOLOGY

**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.  
Amen.**

\***HYMN #570:** *One Bread, One Body*

## HOLY COMMUNION

Call to Communion

Affirmation of Faith

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
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,**

**is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**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. Amen.**

### TAKING

Institution

Response

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

### BLESSING

**BREAKING:** Breaking the bread, pouring the cup.

**GIVING:** Offering the bread, offering the cup.

### THANKSGIVING

**COMMUNION MEDITATION:** *Behold the Lamb of God*

~ Thomaso Albinoni

*Behold the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world.  
He was despised, and He was rejected, a Man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.  
Behold the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world.*

*...in the places we now go.*

**\*HYMN #677:** *Christ for the World We Sing*

**\*BENEDICTION**

*(There will be no Postlude during Lent. Depart in peace.)*

*Join us after the service for coffee and conversation,  
in the Narthex.*

*Welcome!*

GREETER: Sandy Larsen

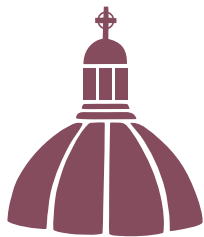
READERS: George Brinkmann, Barbara Rhoe

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Jane Leach

USHER: Jane Leach

COFFEE SERVERS: Rita and Arlie Swanson

LIVESTREAM: Signe Blomgren



**FIRST**  
**COVENANT**  
**CHURCH**  
SEATTLE  
400 East Pike St.  
Seattle, WA 98122