

FEBRUARY 17, 2021

# Ash Wednesday

CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN  
5:30 PM

*In preparation for the service, we invite your quiet prayers  
and ask that you please silence your cell phone.*

# Prayers of the People

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Please pray for all men and women serving in the military; and for Bishop Qampicha and the Diocese of Marsabit, Kenya, especially our Tree Church Partners in Game, Elebor, Maikona, Goro Rukesa, and Badasa; and for our Haitian partners in the Church of the Holy Spirit.

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Jan Aydlette & Family

Rick Brownyard

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The Cantrell Family

The Coker Family

Dennis DeLorge

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The Green Family

The Haviland Family

The Hutto Family

Martha Kieffer

Roger Lundgren

Tyson Pa

Ullas Perez

Those with job loss or reduction in hours and pay

## **Expectant Mothers**

Christie Cavett

Liz Hirschmann

Shawn Haviland Huthwaite

Maybre Osborne

## **Homebound**

Frances Cheatham

Pat McCullough

Louise Perry

Becky Tuten

Grace Young

## **Deployed Military**

Brian Boyer

Michael Dean

*(Please stand.)*

**THE OPENING SONG** *Lord, who throughout these forty days*

***Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray,  
Teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.***

***As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord,  
To die to self, and chiefly live by thy most holy word.***

***And through these days of penitence, and through thy Passiontide,  
Yea, evermore, in life and death, Jesus! with us abide.***

***Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering overpast,  
An Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!***

**THE ACCLAMATION**

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

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

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

**THE LESSON** *2 Corinthians 5:20—6:10*

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALTER** *Psalms 103:8-14*

- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
long-suffering and of great goodness.  
9 He will not always chide us, \*  
neither will he keep his anger for ever.  
10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.  
11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
so great is his mercy also toward those who fear him.  
12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far has he set our sins from us.  
13 As a father pities his own children, \*  
so is the LORD merciful to those who fear him.  
14 For he knows whereof we are made; \*  
he remembers that we are but dust.

*(Please stand.)*

**THE SEQUENCE SONG** *Before thy throne, O God, we kneel*

***Before thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a conscience quick to feel,  
A ready mind to understand the meaning of thy chastening hand;  
Whate'er the pain and shame may be, bring us, O Father, nearer thee.***

***Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to all their due.  
From love of pleasure, lust of gold, from sins which make the heart grow cold,  
Wean us and train us with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.***

**THE GOSPEL** *Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

“Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*(Please stand.)*

**THE INVITATION TO A HOLY LENT**

Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful, were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. In this manner, the whole Congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need that all Christians continually have to renew our repentance and faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent: by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and alms-giving; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And to make a right beginning, let us now pray for grace, that we may faithfully keep this Lent.

*(Please kneel.)*

*After a period of silent prayer, the Celebrant says,*

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**IMPOSITION OF ASHES**

Celebrant: Let us now call to mind our sin and the infinite mercy of God.

Almighty God, you have created us from the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be for us a symbol of our mortality and a sign of our penitence, that we may remember that it is by your grace alone that we receive the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

*Then ashes are imposed with the following words*

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

**IMPOSITION HYMN** *How Beautiful*

Soloist: Sarah Althen

**PSALM 51** *(kneeling; in unison)*

- 1 Have mercy upon me, O God, in your great goodness; \***  
according to the multitude of your mercies wipe away my offences.
- 2 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness \***  
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my faults, \***  
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned, and done this evil in your sight, \***  
so that you are justified in your sentence, and blameless in your judgment.
- 5 Behold, I was brought forth in wickedness, \***  
and in sin my mother conceived me.
- 6 But behold, you desire truth in the inward parts \***  
and shall make me understand wisdom secretly.

- 7 You shall purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; \*  
you shall wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8 You shall make me hear of joy and gladness, \*  
that the bones which you have broken may rejoice.
- 9 Turn your face from my sins, \*  
and blot out all my misdeeds.
- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \*  
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11 Cast me not away from your presence, \*  
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 12 O give me the comfort of your help again, \*  
and sustain me with your willing Spirit.
- 13 Then shall I teach your ways unto the wicked, \*  
and sinners shall return unto you.
- 14 Deliver me from blood-guilt, O God, the God of my salvation, \*  
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.
- 15 O Lord, open my lips, \*  
and my mouth shall show forth your praise.
- 16 For you desire no sacrifice, or else I would give it to you; \*  
but you delight not in burnt-offerings.
- 17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; \*  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you shall not despise.

#### **CONFESSION & LITANY OF PENITENCE**

Deacon: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*Silence*

*Celebrant and People together*

**Most holy and merciful Father,**  
**we confess to you, and to one another,**  
**and to the whole communion of saints**  
**in heaven and on earth,**  
**that we have sinned, through our own fault**  
**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, and mind, and strength.**  
**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.**  
**We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us.**  
**We have not been true to the mind of Christ.**  
**We have grieved your Holy Spirit.**

Reader: Lord, have mercy upon us:

**People: For we have sinned against you.**

For all our unfaithfulness and disobedience; for the pride, vanity, and hypocrisy of our lives; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our self-pity and impatience, and our envy of those we think more fortunate than ourselves; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our unrighteous anger, bitterness, and resentment; for all lies, gossip, and slander against our neighbors; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our sexual impurity, our exploitation of other people, and our failure to give of ourselves in love; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our intemperate pursuit of worldly goods and comforts; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our dishonesty in daily life and work, our ingratitude for your gifts, and our failure to heed your call. Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our wastefulness and misuse of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For all false judgments, for prejudice and contempt of others, and for all uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our negligence in prayer and worship; for our presumption and abuse of your means of grace; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For seeking the praise of others rather than the approval of God; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

For our failure to commend the faith that is in us; Lord, have mercy upon us: **For we have sinned against you.**

*Saying together*

**Show favor to your people, O Lord, who turn to you in weeping, fasting, and prayer. For you are a merciful God, full of compassion, long-suffering, and abounding in steadfast love. You spare when we deserve punishment, and in your wrath you remember mercy. Spare your people, good Lord, spare us; in the multitude of your mercies, look upon us and forgive us; through the merits and mediation of your blessed Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE COMFORTABLE WORDS**

*The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1 Timothy 1:15)

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. (1 John 2:1-2)

*(Please stand.)*

### **THE PEACE**

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

*(Please be seated.)*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **THE OFFERTORY**

Celebrant: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. *2 Corinthians 9:6-7*

**OFFERTORY SONG** *I Speak Jesus*

Soloist: Sarah Althen

*(Please stand.)*

### **DOXOLOGY** *To Thee, Lord*

***To Thee, Lord, we offer these our gifts we bring***

***To your holy table, homage to our King.***

***Thank you, Lord, for giving to us blessings through your Son.***

***Feed us with your life, we pray, in your spirit, come.***

*Please remove your Communion wafer from your plastic bag at this time.*

### **THE SURSUM CORDA**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy, 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:

**THE SANCTUS** *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,***

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,***

***Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

**THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**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, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.**

*(Please kneel.)*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

*Celebrant and People*

**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 FRACTION** *Lamb of God*

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
Have mercy on us, Lamb of God.*

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
Have mercy on us, Lamb of God.*

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
Have mercy on us, grant us peace.*

**THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

*Celebrant and People*

**We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your abundant and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up  
the crumbs under your table;  
but you are the same Lord  
whose character is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,  
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

**THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION**

**Celebrant:** The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Let us now receive the gifts of God for the people of God, saying together

*Celebrant and People*

**The body of Christ, the bread of heaven.**

**THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Heavenly Father,**

**We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.**

**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **THE BLESSING**

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*(Please stand.)*

### **THE CLOSING HYMN** *God of grace and God of glory*

***God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
Crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.***

***Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.***

***Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
Let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
Serving thee whom we adore.***

### **THE DISMISSAL**

Deacon: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



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