

## First Sunday in Lent

at ten o'clock

*Please observe quiet reverence during the Prelude – respecting those preparing to worship God at this time*

Prelude: <i>Amazing Grace</i>	Dale Wood
The Great Litany	<b>PRAYER BOOK page 148</b>
Collect and Scripture on insert	Psalm 25:1-9 – <b>PRAYER BOOK page 615</b>
<b>HYMN 150</b>	<b>stz. 1-3 before – stz. 4-5 after the Gospel</b>
Sermon	”Repent and believe in the good news”
The Apostles’ Creed	<b>PRAYER BOOK page 96</b>
Prayers of the People – Form 3	<b>Prayer Book page 387</b>
Prayer #69, Blessings, and The Peace	<b>Prayer Book page 835</b>
Announcements and Parish Celebrations	Wardens and Parish Leaders
<b>HYMN 559</b>	Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer C	<b>Prayer Book page 369</b>
<i>Sanctus and Benedictus</i>	<b>Hymnal S-129</b>
During Communion: <i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	Gerald Near
A Litany of Thanksgiving	<b>Prayer Book page 836</b>
<b>HYMN 143</b>	The glory of these forty days
Postlude: <i>If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach

*Please maintain quiet reverence during the Postlude – saving conversation for the Annual Meeting in the Parish Hall*

Sunday, February 26, 2012



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**Welcome!** *If you are visiting or new, we are delighted that you are with us today. Know that you are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us at God’s table. We hope you will participate fully in our worship and engage your mind, body, and soul in the praise of God. Children are very welcome, especially in the play space near the rear of the church. Fill out a visitor’s card, which you will find on the shelf near the door to the church, so we can stay in touch with you. Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour, so we can get to know you better and to support you in your walk with the Lord.*

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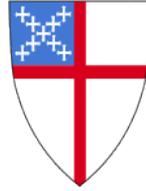
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The Response: Psalm 25:1-9—alternating at the asterisk \* Prayer Book page 615

## The Collect

**Almighty God, your 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. Amen.**

## The Old Testament Lesson

**Genesis 9:8-17**

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

## The New Testament Lesson

**1<sup>st</sup> Peter 3:18-22**

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

2 Kings 5:114

## The Gospel

**Mark 1:9-15**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And, just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

## Prayers

**Special Intentions:** Dotti Zebrowski, Marie Papp, Carolyn Bensen, Clare Simpson, Sue Demay, Dorothy Grefrath, Alice Bezdjian, Gary Hoag, Peter McGrath, Gloria Brower, Marion Terenzio, Beverly Jacob, Barbara Maggio, Laura Munson, Grace Oliff and Family

**The Altar Flowers today** are given to the glory of God.

**The Absent Guest Plate** is a second offering at the choir steps each week. It is immediately given away for charitable purposes – today to **Starfish**, whose mission is to provide transportation to medical appointments for seniors in Oradell and River Edge.

**Serving in the Military:** Jason McGillivray, Ryan E. Bartholf, Salvatore Petruso, Geoff Zann, Thomas Gill, Justin Kelly, Justin A. Perry, Scott Bartholf

### Today's Worship Leadership

Altar Guild: Marie Mitchell, Phyllis Thurlow, Muriel Depken

Acolytes: Nick Wekselblatt, Ben Corrado

Lector: Marilyn Youakim

Church School Teacher: Adela Wekselblatt

## Coming Parish Events

**Wed 29 Feb Lenten Program.** 6:30 pm light supper of soup, homemade sourdough bread, and salad. **7:00 pm** video and discussion of "The Prodigal God."

**Sun 4 Mar – Preliminary Cook-Off before The "Chili Cook off."** Church participation, tasting,

**Sat 10 Mar – "Chili" Cook off.** 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

## Wednesdays at 11 am – Holy Communion with Healing and Spiritual Focus

2/29=Matthias

3/7=40 Martyrs of Sebaste

3/14=Gregory the Great

## A Note about Today's Scripture Readings

Welcome to the Church of the Annunciation. On this first Lenten Sunday, the Old Testament reading is the account of the creation of the human race and its fall, through disobedience, from communion with God. Our choices determine who we are and our relationship to God and to others. As the first humans chose to be independent from God, Jesus in his temptations chose faithfulness. The story of the Temptation is the story of Jesus beginning to turn humanity around from disobedience to faithfulness. Each of the temptations was one that the Israelites failed during their Exodus journey.

In the passage from Romans, Paul expands on this. Jesus is the new humanity. Through his death and resurrection, he has opened the way for us, in baptism, to be made part of that new humanity rather than remaining in the state of the old.

In some congregations, those who have been called by God to baptism at Easter will be enrolled as baptismal candidates today. In those congregations, the candidates will be the center of parish life during Lent. However, even in parishes with no baptismal candidates, our focus on each of these Lenten Sundays is still baptism and our preparation to renew our own baptism at Easter. Please keep all candidates for baptism in your prayers daily.

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## Scripture For The Next Three Sundays

3/4 Lent 2 Genesis 17:1-7 & 15-16, Psalm 22:22-30, Romans 4:13-25, Mark 8:31-38  
3/11 Lent 3 Exodus 20:1-17, Psalm 19, 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1:18-25, John 2:13-22  
3/18 Lent 4 Numbers 21:4-9, Psalm 107:1-3 & 17-22, Ephesians 2:1-10, John 3:14-21

## Wednesday Evening Lenten Program – "The Prodigal God"

Wed 29 Feb – Light supper @ **6:30** pm, with introduction, video, and discussion @ **7:00** pm

Wed 7 Mar – "The People around Jesus" @ 7:00 pm

Wed 14 Mar – "The Two Lost Sons" @ 7:00 pm