# Second Sunday in Lent

## Grace Episcopal Church

The Rt. Rev. Dr. John C. Bauerschmidt, Bishop The Rev. Joseph N. Davis, Vicar Deanie Moore, Director of Music

> February 25, 2024 10:00 a.m.

Please keep silence in the church before the service and turn off all cell phones.

Prelude

Procession "The God of Abraham Praise" Hymn 401

Acclamation BCP, p. 355

Priest: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

Collect for Purity

Kyrie Eleison Hymnal S-95; BCP p. 356 (See service music sheet in your pew.)

The Collect of the Day BCP, p. 218

First Reading: Genesis 17:1-7,15-16

Psalm 22:22-30 BCP, p. 611 (See service music sheet in your pew.)

Epistle Romans 4:13-25

Sequence "Take My Life and Let It Be" Hymn 707

The Gospel

Mark 8:31-38

Before the Gospel

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Joseph N. Davis

Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People Form III, BCP, p. 387

Confession BCP, p. 360

The Peace BCP, p. 360

Offertory Sentence

Offertory "God of Grace and God of Glory" Hymn 594
(All stand and sing.)

## The Great Thanksgiving

(All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion.)

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP, p. 361 Sanctus Hymn S-124; BCP, p. 362 (See service music sheet in your pew.)

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei

S-161; BCP, p. 407

(See service music sheet in your pew.)

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

(Please come to the altar rail for communion. If you would like a blessing instead of receiving communion, bow your head and cross your arms over your chest. If you need to receive at your pew, please tell an usher.)

#### Communion

| "Draw Nigh and Take"          | Hymn 328 |
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| "Day By Day"                  | Hymn 654 |
| "Let Us Break Bread Together" | Hymn 328 |

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 365

Blessing

Procession "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" Hymn 441

The Dismissal

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

#### A Note to Visitors

We are glad to have you with us. Please fill out a visitor's card and drop it in the offering plate and sign our guest register in the narthex. If you have any questions about our service or about membership in Grace Church, please reach out to us at one of the email addresses listed on the last page of this bulletin.

## Giving to Grace Church

To make a contribution to Grace Church, you may put a check in one of the offering plates at the front and back of the church; or you may send your offering in the mail to the office; or you may make a contribution online through our website or by scanning the computer code below into your smartphone.

Father Joe



#### Lenten Series

On Wednesdays in Lent this year, we will say Evening Prayer at 5:30 p.m. followed by a light supper and a book study led by Fr. Joe on N. T. Wright's book Surprised by Hope. You may certainly come if you don't read the book, but this is a good one to own and study thoroughly. If you need help getting the book, talk to Fr. Joe orf James Dallas. Ghostlight Books down the road from us has ordered some copies for us.

#### The Well

In Lent, it is a good time to remember to bring food for The Well, the food ministry to which Grace regularly contributes.

## Stewardship Idea

One year, I gave up plastic grocery bags for Lent. To put it positively, I took on using my own shopping bags whenever I went to the grocery store. For about a month, I would sometimes forget the bags. Finally, I made myself leave my full grocery cart and go back to the car to get my shopping bags if I forgot to bring them with me. I made myself take this little walk about three times before I formed the habit of bringing the bags with me. There's no merit in it, but it's one way of doing something I can do.

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