

Welcome to Worship at Christ Church
Welcome to this service of worship. We are glad that you have chosen to join us today. In order to assist you in following the service, this worship leaflet provides an outline of today’s liturgy. The text of the prayers and other liturgical materials is found in the **Book of Common Prayer** (small red book in pew rack) and the corresponding page numbers in this book are indicated in the worship leaflet by the abbreviation BCP. The hymns and service music are found in the blue **Hymnal 1982** and the corresponding numbers in this book are indicated in the worship leaflet by No. or S. Instructions for receiving Holy Communion are listed on the outside panel of this leaflet.

The Word of God

Organ Voluntary Donald W. Duncan, Director of Liturgy & Music
The congregation stands at the sound of the tower bell.

The Hymn in Procession, No. 495 *Hail, thou once despised Jesus*

A Penitential Order: Rite Two **Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 351**
Bless the Lord who forgives all our sin.
His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue *(kneeling)* **BCP 350**

Confession and Absolution **BCP 352**

The congregation stands and joins in singing the Kyrie where marked “All.”

Kyrie eleison (Hymnal, S-88) *(standing)* McNeil Robinson

Collect of the Day: Third Sunday in Lent **BCP 218**
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.
Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson *(seated)*

The Epistle Lesson *(seated)*

Sequence Hymn, No. 142 *(standing)* *Lord, who throughout these forty days*

During the singing of the Sequence Hymn young children are invited to follow the children’s crucifer to Children’s Church, held in St. Luke’s Chapel.
Children are encouraged to bring an offering with them for the collection.

The Gospel

The Sermon *(seated)* The Rev. Dr. Harrison McLeod, Rector

The Nicene Creed *(standing)* **BCP 358**

Prayers of the People: Form I *(kneeling)* **BCP 383**

The Peace *(standing)* **BCP 360**

The Holy Communion

Anthem at the Offertory Christ Church Parish Choir
*Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes;
and I shall keep it unto the end.*

Text | Psalm 119:33
Music | Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

Presentation Hymn sung to the tune WAREHAM
O saving Victim, opening wide
the gate of heaven to us below,
our foes press on from every side,
thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend
for evermore, blest One in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end
in our true native land with thee.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP 361**

Sanctus et Benedictus (Hymnal, S-124) David Hurd
*During the season of Lent,
the congregation kneels following the Sanctus et Benedictus.*

Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei (Hymnal, S-161) David Hurd

Ministration of the Sacrament

Communion Music
Psalm 19 *Anglican Chant by Samuel Sebastian Wesley*
Hymn No. 313 *Let thy blood in mercy poured*
Hymn No. 498 *Beneath the cross of Jesus*

If Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent out this week, the following is said:
The Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors
In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer *(kneeling)* **BCP 366**

Solemn Prayer over the People

*During Lent the blessing is omitted
and the celebrant offers a solemn prayer over the people,
after which the people respond: Amen.*

Hymn in Procession, No. 150 *(standing)* *Forty days and forty nights*

Dismissal **BCP 366**
*In keeping with the solemnity of the Lenten season,
a festive closing organ voluntary will not be played.*

Readings for the Third Sunday in Lent

The First Lesson **Exodus 20:1-17**
Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson **1 Corinthians 1:18-25**
The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Lesson **John 2:13-22**
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.
The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!” His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.