

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“In the Hour of Trial” tune Penitence; setting James Denton

page 151 - **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

HYMN 427 - *we sing, standing*

page 152 - **KYRIE**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(please be seated)

FIRST LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

“The Heavens Declare Your Glory”

Music by J. S. Bach - PSALM 19
We sing, seated

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

page 157 - **VERSE FOR LENT** - *all standing*

GOSPEL *(bulletin back page)* - *all stand*

Before, all shout: Glory to you, O Lord!
After, all shout: Praise to you, O Christ!

HYMN 579 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

NICENE CREED - *hymnal, last page all standing*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

OFFERTORY

10:30 - the Parish Choir sings “Bought with a Price” by Natalie Sleeth

page 160 - **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

page 161 - **SANCTUS**

LORD’S PRAYER

page 162 - **WORDS OF OUR LORD**

SHARING OF PEACE

page 163 - **AGNUS DEI**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

During the Distribution we sing HYMNS 850 & 632

All are invited to commune who have been baptized and instructed in the Faith; who repent of their sins; who are committed to Christ and to the mission of his church; and who believe with us that we receive and share our Savior’s Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine of the Sacrament - as signs of his forgiveness and of our Christian family solidarity.

All who commune, kindly sign your names in our Communicant Register, which is located on the narthex shelf along side our Guest Register.

page 165 - **NUNC DIMITTIS** - *all standing*

BENEDICTION

HYMN 838 - *we sing, standing*

POSTLUDE - *“The Light from on High” by Paxton*

NEWS AND NOTES

Last Sunday Here

Attending 45 Offering: \$4,156

This Week Here

Today - 7:00PM - Confirmation Class

Mon - 7:00PM - Council Meeting

Wed - 1:30PM - Adult Bible Study

- 6:15PM - Bell Choir

- 7:30PM - Lent 3 Service

- 8:15PM - Parish Choir

Thur - 10:00AM - Open Office Hours

Reserving a Seat for Mid-Week Lenten

Services will take place at the same time reservations are taken for Sunday morning services. Please call or visit us on Thursday mornings from 10:00 to 12:00 and specify which service(s) you would like to attend.

Spring is just around the corner! Please join us for a walk on Saturday, March 20,

9AM. Meet at the Farmington Canal, Jarvis Street parking lot at 9AM. Bring a friend, child, or grandchild. Let's enjoy some fellowship and fresh air.

Little Cherubs Christian Preschool is now taking registration for the 2021-2022 school year. If you, or someone you know, have a child who is preschool eligible, please call the church or preschool office for more information. A registration packet may also be picked up from the counter outside the church office.

The Benevolence Fund is a vehicle through which members can help those who are in need and by which members in need can find help. For assistance or to make a donation, please see Pastor Rowold. All transactions are kept confidential.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

The Crucified and Risen Body of Jesus Is the True Temple of the Lord - The Lord rescues His people, Israel, *“out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery”* (Ex. 20:2) and makes His gracious covenant with them, defined by the Ten Commandments. Since He has become their God by His grace, they shall be His people, having *“no other gods”* before Him (Ex. 20:3). He is *“jealous”* for them as a husband for his wife and as a father for his children. He has named them with His name and called them to rest in Him (Ex. 20:5–9). The incarnate Son, Christ Jesus, is likewise jealous for His Father’s house, because it is to be a place of divine grace and Sabbath rest for His people, and not *“a house of trade”* (John 2:16–17). His zeal consumes Him as He gives up *“the temple of his body”* to the destruction of the cross, but in three days He raises it up again to be the true temple forever (John 2:17–21). By His crucifixion He cleanses the entire household, and in His resurrection He becomes *“wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption”* (1 Cor. 1:30).