

Trinity Episcopal Church Collinsville, CT

March 23, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Service of the Word Rite 1

The Third Sunday in Lent



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with God's help, we serve our community and beyond."*

Welcome to Trinity

We welcome all who worship with us at Trinity Episcopal Church in Collinsville, CT -- those here in our sanctuary and those who join us by live-streaming.

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Sunday, March 23, 2025
The Third Sunday in Lent Rite 3
Service of the Word
Presider/Homilist: Stan Moraski

Prelude

Procession in Silence

Opening Hymn: - **Forty Days and Forty Nights #150**

Words: George Hunt Smyttan, Music: William Henry Monk

1. Forty days and forty nights
thou wast fasting in the wild;
forty days and forty nights
tempted, and yet undefiled.

2. Should not we thy sorrow share
and from worldly joys abstain,
fasting with unceasing prayer,
strong with thee to suffer pain?

3. Then if Satan on us press,
Jesus, Savior, hear our call!
Victor in the wilderness,
grant we may not faint or fall!

4. So shall we have peace divine:
holier gladness ours shall be;
round us, too, shall angels shine,
such as ministered to thee.

5. Keep, O keep us, Savior dear,
ever constant by thy side;
that with thee we may appear
at the eternal Eastertide.

Welcome

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed the Lord who forgiveth all our
sins.

People: His mercy endureth forever.

The Decalogue

Presider: God spake these words, and said;
I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out
of the land of Egypt, out of the house of
bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods
but me.

People: Lord have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

People: Lord have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

People: Lord have mercy upon us,

Presider: Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

People: Lord have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Honor thy father and thy mother,

People: Lord have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Thou shalt do no murder.

People: Lord have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People: Lord have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Thou shalt not steal.

People: Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our
hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Thou shalt not bear false witness against
Thy neighbor.

People: Lord have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Presider: Thou shalt not covet.

People: Lord have mercy upon us, and write these
laws in our our hearts, we beseech thee.

Presider: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive
ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we
confess our sins, God is faithful and just to
forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all
unrighteousness.

Presider: Let us humbly confess our sins unto
Almighty God.

Confession of Sin (please kneel as you are able) BCP 320

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ;
Have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways to the glory of thy name.
Amen

Presider: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us
absolution and remission of all our sins, true
repentance, amendment of life, and the
grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.
Amen

Kyrie

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Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Presider: 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 Old Testament Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God

called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought

the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?"

God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm

Psalm 63:1-8

Reader: O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

People: Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, that I might behold your power and your glory.

Reader: For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; my lips shall give you praise.

People: So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your Name.

Reader: My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

People: When I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the night watches.

Reader: For you have been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

People: My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

The New Testament

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them

did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come.

So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good;

but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Stan Moraski

A period of silence is kept

Choir Anthem: Turn Thy Face From My Sins

Music: Thomas Atwood

The Nicene Creed (in unison) (all stand) BCP p. 326

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

Choral Call to Prayer O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Words and Music by Francesco Blackmore

The Prayers of the People Form III BCP p. 383

Reader: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

Reader: For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For this town of Canton, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air [or through outer space], let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: We pray especially for those on our intercession list _____,
and for those we name here.
(pause for the congregation to add their intercessions),

Reader: let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People: To thee, O Lord our God.

Reader: Let us pray for our congregation and our Vestry as we seek a new priest for our faith community.

Dear God, You are the God of creativity. You created the world out of nothing. We ask for that same creativity to flow through us. As we discuss and brainstorm ideas, may your Spirit inspire us with fresh perspectives and innovative solutions. Help us to think outside the box and see things in new ways. May your creativity ignite a fire within us to use our own unique gifts and talents in your name...we pray. Amen.

Reader: In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, let us pray
St. Michael's, Litchfield; St. Andrew's,
Madison; St. Andrew's, Marble Dale, and
ECCT Joint Leadership members of the
Mission Council, Missionary Society, Standing
Committee, and the Commission on Ministry
and Donations and Bequests. We also pray
for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de
America.

Reader: Let us pray for peace in the world:
God of peace and justice, we pray for peace
in the world, especially in the Middle East, in
Ukraine and Russia, and in Haiti and the
Dominican Republic. We pray for those with
power over war or peace, for wisdom,
discernment, and compassion to guide their
decisions. We pray for all in these wars who
have died, are wounded or missing. We
pray for all who grieve, live in fear, and wait
anxiously

for the return of their loved ones. We pray for those who protect and defend our country. May your kingdom of justice and peace reign throughout the world.

Presider: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Offering

Presider: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Offertory Hymn When Israel Was in Egypt's Land #648

Words: Afro-American Spiritual, Music: Johann Cruger

1 When Israel was in Egypt's land,
let my people go;
oppressed so hard they could not stand,
let my people go.

Refrain: Go down, Moses,
way down in Egypt's land;
tell old Pharaoh
to let my people go.

2 The Lord told Moses what to do,
let my people go;
to lead the children of Israel through,
let my people go.

[Refrain]

3 They journeyed on at his command,
let my people go;
and came at length to Canaan's land,
let my people go.

[Refrain]

4 Oh, let us all from bondage flee,
let my people go;
and let us all in Christ be free,
let my people go.
[Refrain]

The Doxology

Hymn 380 Verse 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Presider: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Presider: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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 Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy Spirit.

Announcements

The Grace

Presider: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and
the love of God, and the fellowship of the
Holy Spirit, be with us all, now and
forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing #344

Words: John Fawcett, Music: Silicon Mariners

1 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, thy love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace:
O refresh us, O refresh us,
traveling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration
for thy Gospel's joyful sound:
may the fruits of thy salvation
in our hearts and lives abound:
ever faithful, ever faithful
to thy truth may we be found;

3 so that when thy love shall call us,
Savior, from the world away,
fear of death shall not appall us,
glad thy summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with thee in endless day.

Procession in Silence

(People Remain Standing)

The Dismissal

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in
the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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The Sanctuary Lamp is Given to the Glory of God

Celebrating the Worship Service:

The People of God gathered in Trinity Church and at home.

Presider/Homilist: Stan Moraski

Reader: Ann Bierut

Usher: Betsy Jahne

Altar Guild: Deb Asaro and Nell Bonett

Music: Francesco Blackmore, Director and
the Trinity Choir

Lenten Worship Services

Sunday, March 9 - Lent 1

9:00 Service of the Word Rite 1, Presider/Homilist Stan Moraski

Sunday, March 16 - Lent 2

9:00 Holy Eucharist Rite 2, The Rev. Salin Low

Sunday, March 23 - Lent 3

9:00 Service of the Word, Rite 1, Presider/Homilist Stan Moraski

Sunday, March 30 - Lent 4

9:00 Service of the Word Rite 1, Presider/Homilist Leslie Dehey

Sunday, April 6 - Lent 5

9:00 Service of the Word Rite 1, Presider/Homilist Stan Moraski

Holy Week and Easter Services

Sunday, April 13 – Palm Sunday

9:00 Palm Sunday Liturgy with reading of the Passion Gospel
Holy Eucharist, The Rev. Marilyn Anderson

Thursday, April 17 - Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm Holy Eucharist Rite 2, The Rev. Salin Low

Friday, April 18 - Good Friday

12 Noon Holy Eucharist Rite 2, The Rev. Canon Rebekah Hatch

Sunday, April 20 - Easter Sunday

9:00 Holy Eucharist Rite 2, The Rev. Salin Low

March and April Events Calendar

- Mon, Mar 24** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00–7:00 p.m.
- Tues, Mar 25** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00–11:00 a.m.
- Fri, Mar 28** Lenten Leaps Soup Supper
6:00 p.m.
- Mon, Mar 31** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Miriam’s Closet Open; Betsy Jahne attending
- Tues, Apr 1** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00–11:00 a.m.
- Fri, Apr 4** The Final Lenten Leaps Soup Supper
6:00 p.m.
- Mon, Apr 7** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Tues, Apr 8** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00–11:00 a.m.

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