

Trinity Episcopal Church Collinsville, CT

March 30, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Service of the Word Rite 1

The Fourth Sunday in Lent



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

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

Prelude

Procession in Silence

Opening Hymn: **Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing #686**

Words: Robert Robinson, Music: Gerre Hancock

1 Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,
mount of God's unchanging love.

2 Here I find my greatest treasure;
hither by thy help, I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.

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,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

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.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Old Testament

Joshua 5:9-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain.

The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm

Psalm 32

Reader: Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

People: Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

Reader: While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

People: For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

Reader: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

People: I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

Reader: Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

People: You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Reader: "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

People: Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

Reader: Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

People: Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

The New Testament

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we

entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant

country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything.

But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."'

So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--

and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in.

His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!'

Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Leslie Dehey

A period of silence is kept

Choir Anthem: O Saviour of The World

Music: John Goss

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 I 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 for All Saints', Meriden; St. Andrew's, Meriden; Christ Church, Middle Haddam, and Collaborative ministries and all Ministry Networks. We also pray for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane du Congo.

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 Just As I Am #693

Words: Charlotte Elliott, Music: William Batchelder Bradbury

1 Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2 Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt;
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

4 Just as I am, thou wilt receive;
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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

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 . O Bless The Lord, My Soul #411

Words: James Montgomery, Music: Lowell Mason

1 O bless the Lord, my soul!
His grace to thee proclaim!
And all that is within me join
to bless his holy Name!

2 O bless the Lord, my soul!
His mercies bear in mind!
Forget not all his benefits!
The Lord to thee is kind.

4 He pardons all thy sins,
prolongs thy feeble breath;
he healeth thine infirmities
and ransoms thee from death.

5 He clothes thee with his love,
upholds thee with his truth;
and like the eagle he renews
the vigor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,
whose grace hath made thee whole,
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
O bless the Lord, my soul!

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: Leslie Dehey

Reader: Jack Henne

Usher: Michelle Mensel

Altar Guild: Deb Asaro and Nell Bonett

Music: Francesco Blackmore, Director and
the Trinity Choir

Lenten Worship Services

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

April Events Calendar

- Mon, Mar 31** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Tues, Apr 1** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00–11:00 a.m. Miriam’s Closet Open, Linda B and Deb A attending
- 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. Miriam’s Closet Open, Maryellen P. attending
- Tues, Apr 8** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00–11:00 a.m.
- Mon, Apr 14** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00–7:00 p.m.
- Tues, Apr 15** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00–11:00 a.m. Miriam’s Closet Open, Deb A. and Linda B.
- Mon, Apr 21** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Miriam’s Closet Open, Betsy P. attending
- Tues, Apr 22** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00–11:00 a.m.
- Wed, Apr 23** Vestry Meeting
6:00–7:00 p.m.
- Thurs Apr 24** Worship Committee Meeting
10:00–11:00 a.m.

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