



*Holy Eucharist (Rite Two)*  
*Third Sunday in Lent*  
*Sunday, March 7, 2021*  
*10:00 a.m.*

*Welcome to Holy Apostles for this celebration of the Holy Eucharist. We are glad to have you with us!*

*For your safety, and out of love of neighbor, please wear masks and observe social distance between households throughout the service.*

*Concern for our neighbor also dictates that we not sing as a congregation at this time, but we are blessed to have ministers of music offering our praises to God this morning, and we join with them in spirit, "singing and making melody to the Lord in our hearts" (Eph. 5:19).*

*Monetary gifts may be placed in the offering plate before the service—the plate will not be passed around at the offertory.*

*In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion from the Lord's Table. If you have not been baptized and would like to learn more about this sacrament, please contact one of the clergy.*

Prelude

*New Britain*

Dale Wood

*(Please be respectful of those who may be praying during this time.)*

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People His mercy endures forever.**

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

*The Deacon then says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

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

*The priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Cantor or Choir      All      Cantor or Choir

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

All      Cantor or Choir      All

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

## The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

	The Lord be with you.
<b>People</b>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect*

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 Lessons

*The people sit*

A Reading from Exodus (*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.
<b>People</b>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

Psalm 19:7-14 (*sung by Cantors*)

The stat-utes of the Lord re-joice the heart, re - joice the heart.

<sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

- <sup>8</sup> The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- <sup>9</sup> The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- <sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- <sup>11</sup> By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- <sup>12</sup> Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- <sup>13</sup> Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- <sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians (*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.

**People**                      The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand*

The Gospel Tract

*The Cantors sing the following antiphon and verse*



Hard - en not your hearts, as your fore - bears did in the wil - der - ness.

Shake off all your sins -- it is the Lord who speaks --  
Make for yourselves a new heart and a new spirit. -Ezekiel 18:31

*Still standing, and the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying*

**People**                      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*(John 2:13-22)*

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.

*After the Gospel, the Deacon says*

                    The Gospel of the Lord.  
People           Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Clay Calhoun

## **The Nicene Creed**

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.

## **Prayers of the People** *(Form V)*

*Deacon or other leader*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy".

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition the People respond*

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Phoebe our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo (Anglican cycle of prayer)

For all in Life Vows (Anglican Religious Orders cycle of prayer)

For St. Matthew's, Covington (West TN Diocesan cycle of prayer)

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

We pray for those on our parish prayer list:

**Fred, Marilyn, Brooke, Robbie, Abigail, Gloria, Bob, Nathaniel, Ronnie, Gia, Bonnie, Tom, Kim, Phillip, Katherine, Brad, Betty, Judy, Brian, Ken, Sarah, David, Nancy, Jamie, LaVerne**

We give thanks for all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, especially:

Matt Cohoon	Annabel Hines	Eric Mingledorff
Wallace Garrett	Alec Johnson	Jackie Drake
John Carter	Carson Joyner	Braxton Musso
Mary Lou Brown	Jan Ewing	

Stephanie and Anthony Tancredi  
Elizabeth and William Gates

Franny and John Paul Kevin

For all who have died in the communion of your Church and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

**To you, O Lord our God.**

*Silence*

*A Prayer for the Parish* (said by all)

**Faithful and loving God, you trace our journeys and our resting places and are acquainted with all our ways. Sustain Holy Apostles with your grace during this time of transition; bless us with joy, beauty, and wonder, and bind us together in fellowship and love. Empower us to continue to be a place of refuge for the weary and companionship for the pilgrim. Raise up for us a pastor who will care for your**

people, equip us for our ministries, and shine a light on your path. Grant that we may walk with you in the Way of Love, and reflect your goodness and light always. This we pray in the power of the Holy Spirit, through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

*The Priest adds a concluding Collect.*

## The Peace

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** And also with you.

## The Holy Communion

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

*The People's offerings of bread, wine, and money or other gifts, are placed upon the Altar. When directed by the Celebrant, the People stand.*

Offertory

*Wondrous Love*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

*Sanctus*

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
power and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

*Celebrant*                      And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

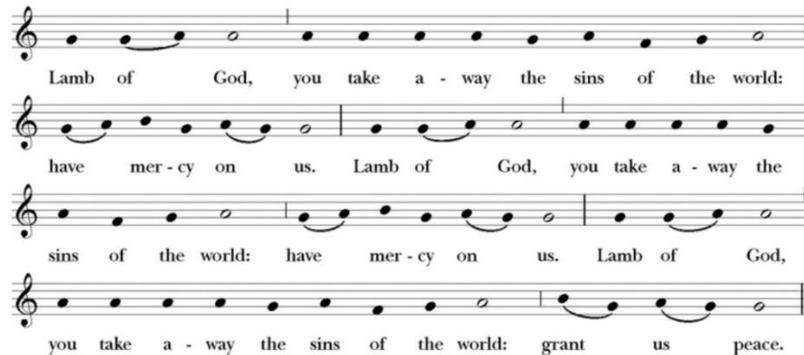
## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*The Fraction*

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*Ushers will direct family groups to approach the altar rail to receive Holy Communion, which will be administered in one kind (Bread only). Please remain masked and return by the side aisle to your pew to consume the Sacrament there.*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

*If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament, but desire a blessing, indicate this by folding your arms across your chest.*

Communion Hymn

*O Jesus, I have promised*

Nyland

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*A solemn Prayer over the People is said, the Deacon first saying*

Bow down before the Lord.

*The People kneel and the Celebrant says the following prayer*

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Deacon dismisses the people with these words*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*Erhalt uns, Herr*

Dietrich Buxtehude



## TODAY'S SERVERS (03/07/21)

### **10:00 a.m.**

**Lector/Intercessor:** Mike Siegel

**Acolyte:** Julia Calhoun

**Greeters/Ushers:** Tom Cullen, Ronnie Kelly

**Altar Guild this week:** Team #2, Captain – Donna Abney

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Lenten Family Devotions**

**Sundays at 6:00 pm**

Join us on our journey through Lent with Family Devotions on Sundays at 6:00 pm. Check the website for the Zoom link.

### **Stations of the Cross**

**Fridays in Lent, 12:30 pm**

Father Clay will offer this traditional service of prayers every Friday in Lent, at 12:30 pm, in the nave.

### **Lenten Book Study in March**

**Wednesdays at 5:30 pm**

A former Archbishop of Canterbury, and one of the leading Christian thinkers of our day, Rowan Williams has distilled the fundamentals of the faith into his short book *Being Christian: Baptism, Bible, Eucharist, Prayer* (Eerdmans, 2014). Here Williams explores “what those activities tell us about the essence of Christian life, and what kind of people we might hope to become in a community where these things are done.” As author and reviewer Lillian Daniel puts it, “Williams entices us all to go deeper by reviewing the basics. It takes a theologian of depth to write a simple book about complex concerns.”

Wednesdays in March, Fr. Clay will lead a weekly discussion of the book, covering one of its four chapters each week. A few copies are available in the parish office, or the book may be purchased online. Discussions will be over Zoom (link in the weekly parish email) at 5:30 pm.

### **Bishop's Visitation**

**Sunday, March 14th**

Our Bishop, the Right Rev. Phoebe A. Roaf, has scheduled her annual visitation to Holy Apostles for Sunday, March 14th. She will preach and preside at our 10:00 am service of Holy Eucharist on that day. If you are interested in being confirmed or received when the Bishop visits, contact Father Clay.

The current safety precautions for in-person worship will be observed (thus, no festive reception, as in past years), and the service will also be livestreamed and recorded. We hope you can join us for this important event in our community life.

## **Easter Services**

We are currently scheduling three separate Easter services at Holy Apostles. For our planning, so that we may safely accommodate everyone, please let us know, by completing the short survey in the weekly email, which liturgy you plan to attend, and the number attending from your household.

- The Great Vigil of Easter - Saturday, April 3, 7:30 PM in the nave
- Sunrise Service of Holy Eucharist - Sunday, April 4, 7:00 AM outdoors
- Holy Eucharist, Rite II – Sunday, April 4, 10:00 AM in the nave

## **Holy Hikers**

**Saturday, March 13th at 9:00 am**

The Holy Hikers will meet Saturday, March 13th at 9:00 am at the Church to explore a Wolf River trail. We'll head to Johnson Park in Collierville, take the Boardwalk Trail to the Wolf River, and then meander downstream. We'll hike level trails, bottomland forest, and enjoy frequent views of the river.

Dress for the weather and bring water and snacks. We'll be gone for about two hours. All ages are welcome, as well as pets. It will be an easy hike, suitable for folks who have been quarantined behind a computer for a year. Please join us, stretch your muscles, and enjoy being outdoors looking at real woods! Call Frank Potter for details - (901) 230-1818.

## **Lilies for Easter**

**Sales start today**

If you would like to help beautify the church this Easter Sunday (April 4th), the Altar Guild is selling lilies. The cost is \$13.50 per plant. Forms are available in the narthex or you can purchase online using the link on our website homepage. Proceeds generated by the sale of lilies benefit the Our Little Roses Ministry, an outreach of the Altar Guild.

## **Lenten Food Drive**

**Now through Easter Sunday**

The 2021 Lenten Food Drive is going strong! Even if you can't attend the Sunday service in person, you can make donations any time the church is open on weekdays. Two bins are set up in the East Vestibule for your contributions. Any non-perishable food or personal toiletry items are appreciated and will be given away. Items most in need right now are breakfast cereals, powdered potatoes, jams/jellies, jello, vienna sausages, condiments and toilet paper. Thanks again for your generosity and kindness!

## **Weekly Offerings**

### Sunday

**Holy Eucharist at the church** at 10:00 am in the Nave.

**Live Stream** of 10:00 am service **on YouTube**

(direct link to channel on [www.holyapostlestn.net](http://www.holyapostlestn.net))

**Children's Chapel/Sunday School lesson** on Facebook.

**Bluegrass Evening Prayer** at the church at 5:15 pm in the Nave.

(Bluegrass Mass on the first Sunday of the month)

### Monday

**Men's Bible Study** at 7:00 am.

### Tuesday

**Adult Bible Study** via Zoom at 6:30 pm.

### Wednesday

**Morning Prayer** with Father Clay at 10:00 am on Facebook.

**Prime Timers Zoom Gathering** via Zoom at 11:00 am (*every other week*).

**Compline** for Parish Choir via Zoom at 6:30 pm.

**EYC Midweek** at 7:15 pm via Zoom.

**EYC Compline** at 8:00 pm on Instagram.

### Thursday

**Women's Bible Study** via Zoom at 11:00 am.

**Adult Bible Study** via Zoom at 6:30 pm.

### Friday

**Stations of the Cross** at 12:30 pm in the Nave.

**Compline** with Father Clay at 8:00 pm on Facebook.

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*To provide a welcoming community in which all can, with open hearts and open minds,  
receive God's grace through worship, fellowship, learning and outreach to others.*