

Trinity Episcopal Church Solebury, Pennsylvania

9:30 a.m.

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2010

The organ voluntary is a veil drawn reverently between the cares of the week and the time of worship where all are welcome to experience the presence of God with the people of God. Please respect the quiet hunger of other worshippers.

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two with Healing Prayers

The Word of God

Voluntary	Variations on "Wer nur den lieben Gott"	J.G. Walther
Processional Hymn 149	Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church	<i>Old 124th</i>
<i>Priest</i>	Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.	
<i>People</i>	His mercy endures for ever.	

The Collect for Purity

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie BCP p. 356

Collect of the Day

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.**

All sit.

The Lessons *A period of silence will follow each reading.*

First Reading

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.**

Psalm 63:1-8

Plainsong

Second Lesson

1Corinthians 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.**

Sequence Hymn 648

When Israel was in Egypt's Land

Go Down Moses

The Holy Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

All stand

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

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.'"

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

All sit.

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Emory Byrum

All stand.

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People, Form I

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Confession of Sin

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The Peace

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem Behold, the tabernacle of God William H. Harris

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer A* BCP p. 361

Sanctus S-124

The Breaking of the Bread BCP p. 364

Today, we offer prayers of healing, accompanied by the biblical and traditional laying-on-of-hands and anointing with oil, at both services. If you wish to have healing prayers for yourself or on behalf of someone you love – make your way to the healing station after you have received Holy Communion.

Communion Anthem For the beauty of the earth Andrew Carter
Primary & Junior Choir

Communion Hymn 635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee *Wer nur den lieben Gott*

Post Communion Prayer BCP. p. 365

Blessing

Post Communion Hymn 392 Come, we that love the Lord *Vineyard Haven*

Dismissal

Voluntary Chorale Prelude on “If thou but trust in God to guide thee” J.L. Krebs

If you would like to make an announcement, please notify
The Rev. Dr. Emory Byrum 15 minutes before the service begins.
