

Sunday Covenant Renewal Worship

February 28, 2021

Prayer for Silent Meditation

We encourage you to use the moments preceding the commencement of holy worship in quiet meditation and preparation. Toward that end we offer the prayer below as food for thought.

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

St. Richard of Chichester, AD 1198–1253

Second Sunday in Lent

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 3:11-23

Prayer: 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, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, 1976

* Apostolic Salutation * Congregation Standing

Minister: *The Lord be with your spirit.*

People: *And grace be with you.*

* Call to Worship *Psalm 9:7-11, #787*

* Hymn A Mighty Fortress is Our God, #92

* The Law of God *Genesis 9:1-7*

Prayer of Confession *Kneel (as able)*

Almighty and merciful God, the fountain of all goodness, who knows the thoughts of our hearts: We confess that we have sinned against you and done evil in your sight. Wash us, we ask you, from the stains of our past sins and give us grace and power to put away all hurtful things that, being delivered from the bondage of sin, we may bring forth fruits worthy of repentance and at last enter into your promised joy.

Through the mercy of your blessed Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen. *Alcuin, AD 732–804*

* Assurance of Pardon

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:9*

Minister: *Herein is the pardon of the Savior.*

People: *Thanks be to You, O Lord.*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn Out of the Deep I Call, #490

* Hymn O Thou That Hear'st When Sinners Cry, #485

* The Word of God

Old Testament Lesson *Lamentations 4:1-13*

New Testament Lesson *Hebrews 12:18-24*

Minister: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: *Thanks be to You, O God.*

* Gloria Patri #735

Prayer for the Sermon

O most merciful God, incline your ear to our prayers and illumine us called by you with the grace of the Holy Spirit that we may be enabled worthily to minister to Your Scriptures and to love you with an everlasting love and to attain everlasting joys. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Gallican Collect, AD 9th C*

Sermon

Abel *Genesis 4:1-12*

The Reception of Micaiah Ross into Communicant

Membership

Response to the Word of God

The Lord's Supper

Instruction on the Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, heavenly Father, we praise and extol you, for you have again fully given us the blessed benefits of your sacraments. You satisfy us with the food and drink of eternal life. You have appointed us the signs and seals of your mercy. Having been fulfilled with the benefits of your altar we offer ourselves – bodies and souls – that all of us who unite with Jesus Christ and through Christ with one another – may grow daily in faith, may rejoice in hope, and may enrich ourselves in familial love. Praise, glory, honor, and thanksgiving descend upon your holy name now and forever! Amen.

Hungarian Reformed Liturgy, circa 16th C

Giving of the Body and Blood of Christ

Minister: *He is risen!*

People: *He is risen, indeed!*

* Hymn Psalm 9B

Prayer for Alms and Offerings

* We Give Thee But Thine Own #432

* Our Mutual Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed #845

* Doxology #731

* Benediction

* Threefold Amen #740