

The Holy Eucharist

March 1, 2026

Second Sunday in Lent / Year A

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

Celebrant: The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

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Welcome to St. Antony's. Our worship of God is offered both in person and on Facebook livestream at the same time. You may find our livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/saintantony/>. For those worshipping in person, the use of facemasks is optional and we encourage respect for each person's choice to remain as healthy as possible.

We acknowledge that the Suquamish and S'Klallam people are the traditional stewards of the land on which our buildings stand and we pay our respect to their people and heritage.

The Salutation

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Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: **His mercy endureth forever.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

Minister and People

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.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading – Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121

Levavi oculos

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?

2 My help comes from the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

5 The Lord himself watches over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.

7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.

8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

The Second Reading – Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel – John 3:1-17

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.”

Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven

except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily – The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

The Nicene Creed (said together, standing as you are able.)

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

Leader: I ask your prayers for those in the Armed Forces of our Country.

People: **O Almighty God, shelter the men and women of our armed forces under your mighty wings; steel their courage in times of peril; give them integrity and honor in all they do; grant perseverance and resilience to their families; and heal the wounded warriors. We remember those who are deployed, especially *Nicole Steller*, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People Adapted from “Hear our Prayer” by Jon White and Lisa Graves

Leader

Heavenly Father, fill all those who lift their hearts to you with a spirit of rebirth, that we might find your joy and pour it out for others in your name. Answer us as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the church universal, and especially for Phil our Bishop and Hillary our Vicar, for our understanding of your holy word to increase and our ability to live the life of service you demand of us to be a source of peace and joy.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all nations, that all governments, authorities, and leaders, especially Donald or President and Bob our Governor, might sacrifice their own desires and power to benefit those with no power. May we become united in our work toward peace, security, and service to the least of these. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world itself, for this earth and all your creation, that we may all work together to repair the harm we have done and to discover new, more sustainable ways of life. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer, for those in trouble and despair, for those who are ill and frightened, for those who are grieving, anxious or hopeless. We pray that those in greatest need may feel you close about them. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for our own lives and the needs for those we love. We pray for those we do not know and for those we have neglected or harmed. Be mercifully present to us all. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the departed, for those who are dying and for all those who watch and wait with them. May light perpetual and joy unending be theirs to claim. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the World Anglican Communion we give thanks and pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai. In Jerusalem and the Middle East we give thanks and pray for All Saint's Community Church, Damascus, Syria. In our own Diocese of Olympia we give thanks and pray for St. Matthews/San Mateo, Auburn; St. Michael's South Sudanese, Auburn. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The prayer list is read

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Let us Pray for Peace Among the Nations

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as beloved children of one God. For yours is the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes

Lord, like Nicodemus we do not fully understand the mysteries of your love, and we sometimes willfully ignore the truth of your word. Bring us again into new life lived in you and share with us the joy of your eternal kingdom. To you, to the Son and to the Holy Spirit we pledge our lives. ***Amen.***

The Peace

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

People: **And with thy spirit.**

The clergy and people greet one another in the name of the Lord, maintaining a respectful distance.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday Prayer - Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements



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THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant may begin the offertory with a sentence of scripture.

The offering plates are placed on the altar as a sign of our self-offering to God and our promise to give faithfully to the church.

The Offertory Sentence, said together

All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

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

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus (*Spoken*)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand as able. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits,

but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee,
O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

The Celebrant may say

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please, remember to use hand sanitizer before receiving communion

To receive the bread, please make a semi-circle around the altar behind the railing and in front. You may kneel or stand. Cup your hands in front of you to receive the bread. For the wine, you may choose either to get a single use compostable cup on your way to the altar, or drink from the common cup.. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest. The Bread is given to the communicants with these words.

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy

Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Celebrant:

Bow down before the Lord.

The people may assume a solemn posture, such as kneeling or bowing their heads for a moment of silence.

*The Celebrant then prays a solemn prayer over the assembly. **People: Amen.***

Celebrant:

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Happy Birthday!

03-02 Liam Rivers

03-04 David Wilkinson

03-04 Savannah Ramer

03-04 Scott Curry

03-05 Bob Richardson

Happy Anniversary!

03-03 – Mike & Zoe James

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by Benny & Cheryl Wright in memory of their dear friend, Lucy Phipps.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Mar. 1*** ***8 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1***
9:00 am – Episcopal 101
9:15 & 11:45 am – Choir Rehearsal
10:15 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2
10:15 am – Teen Bible Study
- Wednesday, Mar. 4*** ***5:30 pm – Lenten Soup Supper***
- Thursday, Mar. 5*** ***12:30 pm - Bible Study***
- Sunday, Mar. 8*** ***8 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1***
9:00 am – Episcopal 101
10:15 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2
6pm – Youth Group

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grow in Christ, and serve others: Gather, Grow, and Go!***

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