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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER

March 6, 2022 | 9:15 AM & 11:15 AM



You are welcome here.

A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What kind of church is this?

St. Paul & the Redeemer (SPR) is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice.

Let's Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new, tell us about yourself and get connected to what's happening at St. Paul & the Redeemer.

Scan the code or visit sprchicago.org/new to complete a *Let's Get Connected* form.



Bulletin Rubrics

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

Children's Formation

Nursery, 9:00am-12:30pm | Professionally staffed nursery care is available during the services for children ages 0-4. The nursery is down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the nursery.

Children's Chapel, Sundays, 9:30am-9:45am | During the sermon at the 9:15 service, children from preschool to second grade are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Godly Play, Sundays, 10:20am-11:05am | Children in preschool through fifth grade are invited to Godly Play. Children are welcome to join Godly Play at any time during the year. To learn about volunteering with Godly Play, contact interim director of children's formation Padma Vundi (vundi@sprchicago.org).

SPR's Anti-Racism Vision Statement

We strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Giving to SPR

Every dollar you give to SPR supports our ministry to and with our community.

You may place cash or a check in the offering plate, give online at sprchicago.org/give-online or scan this code. If you are visiting, please do not feel obligated to give—it is our honor to have you as our guest!



Join the SPR Choirs

The children's choirs, St. Nicholas Choir (SNC) for children in grades 2 and below, and the SPR Choristers for children and young people from grade 3 up rehearse on Thursdays at 6pm. SNC finishes at 6:30; and the Choristers will finish at 7pm, inclusive of snack time. Please contact Gretchen Eng (eng@sprchicago.org) to learn more about SNC, and Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org) for the Choristers. The adult choirs for the 9:15 & 11:15 liturgies rehearse together beginning at 7pm. Contact Christian for more information. Visitors are welcome!

Youth Ministries

Youth Formation, Sundays, 10:20am-11:05am | Join us for youth formation (grades 6-12). We gather for 45 minutes to enjoy donuts and discussion.

Youth Group, Sundays, 4-7pm | The youth are to an evening of **God at the Movies**. We will start a little earlier at **4 pm and conclude at 7 pm** while we watch the new Disney/Pixar film *Soul* and have a discussion following the screening. For more information contact Director of Youth Formation Ross Fogg (fogg@sprchicago.org).



Welcome to Lent

What Is Lent?

The season of Lent is a 40-day season of preparing for Easter. This preparation traditionally includes practices like fasting, almsgiving, confession of sin, and prayer. More broadly, it's a time for simplifying or reordering our lives in order to be more fully alive: One may give up something good in order to better appreciate it after Easter. One may give up something not-so-good in order to eliminate it once and for all from one's life. One may take up a new practice, like daily prayer or scripture reflection or a service project, in order to find new grounding in the life of God.

Our Worship Space

At St. Paul & the Redeemer, we usually worship in the round, with the altar in the center and all of us gathered around it. In Lent, as you can see, we change things up.

One reason we do this is just for the sake of changing things around because that's something that Lent is about: reordering our lives in order to wake up to ourselves and to the world around us a bit more – to unsettle us from our usual habits and perspectives.

The particular arrangement of our space in Lent reflects how many monastic communities worship. Such communities are places of service, fasting, and deep prayer. Lent is our chance to walk in such ways for a season. This arrangement also brings the choir into the midst of us, helping us to sing more boldly.

Giving in Lent

Our version of "almsgiving" at SPR is financially supporting the important work of two of our partners:

Teachers' Salaries at St. Patrick's School | Tom Gateau, Haiti

During Lent, SPR raises money for teachers' salaries at the school run by our partner parish, St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti. Your generosity is appreciated: \$5 pays for a day of one teacher's salary; \$25 for a week; and \$100 for a month. (This is different from the money we raise for the St. Patrick's school lunch and music programs each fall.)

Shoemith School | Kenwood, Chicago

SPR partners with Shoemith School, our neighborhood elementary school, to support programming for students. This year the money raised will go towards enhancing the gardens & outdoor spaces at Shoemith and for purchasing needed supplies for students.

Offering Envelopes for both are in the seatbacks.
Please make checks payable to "SPR" and put "Shoemith" and/or "Haiti" in the memo.

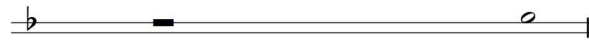
THE WORD OF GOD

When the bell rings, please stand as able and sing.

The Great Litany

The Great Litany is a centuries-old way of marking the first Sunday of Lent.

After each petition, the people chant the response (℟) indicated.



Cantor: Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,



People: Have mercy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world, ℟

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful, ℟

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God, ℟



[Cantor] *People:* Sa - vior, de - liver us.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy;

from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent, ℟

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws, ℟

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil, ℟

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared, ℟

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment, ℟

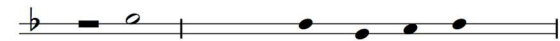
By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience;

by your baptism, fasting and temptation, ℟

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign, ℟

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial, ℟

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit, ℟



[Cantor] *People:* Hear us, O Christ.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God. ℟

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will. ℟

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations. ℟

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding,

that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word. ℟

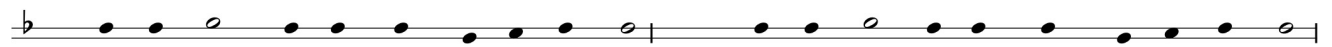
Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit. ℟

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived. *℟*
 Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen;
 and finally beat down Satan under our feet. *℟*
 Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice. *℟*
 Give your wisdom and strength to Joe, the President of the United States, J.B., the Governor of this state,
 and Lori, the Mayor of this city, that in all things they may do your will,
 for your glory and the common good. *℟*
 Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, those who serve in our state
 legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth. *℟*
 Bless the justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may act with integrity
 and do justice for all your people. *℟*
 Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all. *℟*
 Bless and keep all your people, including those celebrating birthdays this week: **Yemi Adegoke** (3/6),
Peter Eng (3/6), **Donna Fackenthal** (3/6), **Anne Marie McKibbon** (3/6), **George Chlipala** (3/7),
Jonah Karafiol (3/8), **Josh Daniel** (3/9), **Pamela Anderson** (3/11), and **Tilly Johnson** (3/12);
 and those celebrating anniversaries, including **Alexander & Mary Stonor Saunders** (3/11). *℟*
 Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved, and the oppressed. *℟*
 Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril. *℟*
 Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit, especially **Bob Bator**, **Brigitte Skrzypek** (friend of Bob & Sheila Bator),
Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), **Bob Naftzger**, **Deanna Mills** (aunt of Julia McMillan),
Manohar Kamat, **Jacquelynne Corey Hain**, **Tim Sehr**, **William Jenkins**, and all those on our prayer list,
 and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute. *℟*
 Guard and protect all children who are in danger. *℟*

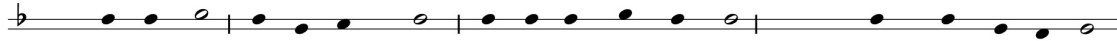


[Cantor] *People:* **Hear us, O Christ.**

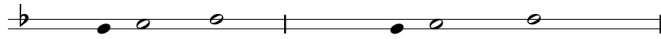
Show your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble. *℟*
 Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins;
 and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word. *℟*
 Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts. *℟*
 Hear us as we remember those who have died, especially **Michael Towns** (2/26/2022), **Al Baker** (3/1/2022),
Thomas Clark (3/10/2002, grandfather of Allison Clark), **Jessica Paul** (3/11/2006, niece of Sharla Paul),
Jacob Paul (3/11/2006, nephew of Sharla Paul), and **Eugene Hardin** (3/11/2017, father of Brenda
 Kilpatrick) and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory. *℟*



Cantor: Son of God, we be - seech you to hear us. *People:* **Son of God, we be -seech you to hear us.**



Cantor: Ho -ly God, Ho -ly and mighty, Ho -ly Im -mor -tal One, *People:* **Have mer -cy on us.**



Cantor: O Christ, hear us. *People:* **O Christ, hear us.**

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Prayer list: Healing: Bob Bator, Brigette Skrzypek (friend of Bob & Sheila Bator), Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Bob Naftzger, Deanna Mills (aunt of Julia McMillan), Manohar Kamat, Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Klara Burger (godmother of Kerstin Wellbery), Stacey Morris, Hank Underwood, Jacquelynne Corey Hain, David Daniels, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Pauline and Bill Reynolds (parents of Liza Reynolds), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), Chloe Riethmiller (granddaughter of Mary & Bob Naftzger), Rock Sehr, and Tim Sehr, as well as their caregivers.

Please stand as able.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan:

Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations;

and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us,

let each one find you mighty to save;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Lessons

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil,

and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

The Choir sings the first verse. The psalm is then sung antiphonally by full verse, alternating among the Choir, the North Side, and the South Side of the church, as indicated.



- Choir *They who dwells in the shelter of the **Mó**st High, **
abide under the shadow of / **the Alm**íghty.
- North *They shall say to God, "You are my refuge and my **stró**nghold, **
my God in / **whom I pút** my trust."
- South *Because you have made God your **ré**fuge, **
and the Most High your / **hab**ítation,
- Choir *There shall no evil happen to **yó**u, **
neither shall any plague come / **near your dwé**lling.
- North *For God shall give the angels chárge over **yó**u, **
to keep / **you in á**ll your ways.
- South *They shall bear you in their **há**nds, **
lest you dash your / **foot agá**inst a stone.
- Choir *You shall tread upon the lion and **á**dder; **
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent / **under yó**ur feet.
- North *Because you are bound to me in love, therefore will I **delí**ver you; **
I will protect you, be/**cause you knó**w my Name.
- South *You shall call upon me, and I will **á**nswer you; **
I am with you in trouble; I will rescue you and bring / **you to hó**nor.
- Choir *With long life will I satis'**fy** you, **
and show you / **my salvá**tion.

Children's Chapel *(9:15 only)*

Children in preschool to second grade are invited to attend their own liturgy in the chapel, led by children's ministry staff Padma Vundi and Gretchen Eng. Participants under age 3 are encouraged to bring a parent. The children will return to the main service at the Peace.

The Sermon

Today's Preacher: The Rev. KJ Oh (Assistant Priest)

Nicene Creed

Let us confess the faith of the church.

Please stand as 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.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Please remain at your seat and wave to greet your neighbors. Some announcements will be given; there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Sung by the choir.

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sins.

Words: Psalm 51.1-2

Music: George Alexander MacFarren (1813-1887), ed. James Gibb

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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:

All sing.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly, Lord, God of power and might, — hea - ven and earth are full, —

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979, Eucharistic Prayer A

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast.

All sing.

Je - sus, Lamb of God: — have mer - cy on — us. — Je - sus, bear - er
of our sins: have mer - cy on — us. — Je - sus, — re - deem - er,
re - deem - er of — the world: give — us your peace, give — us — your peace. —

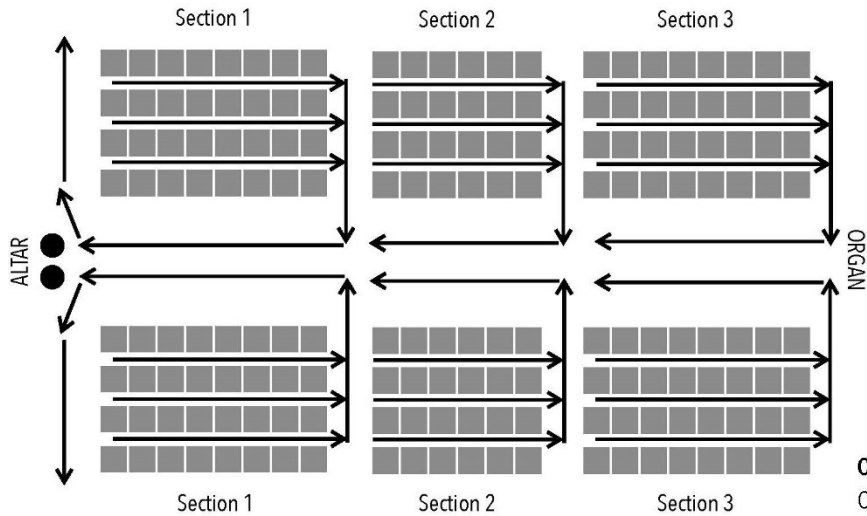
The musical score consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

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The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the ushers know. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the communion minister. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest.

How to Line Up for Communion



Order for Lining Up

Choir Goes First | Then Section 1 | Then Section 2 | Then Section 3

Communion Hymns

All sing.

Musical notation for the hymn "Mi-se-re-re, mi-se-re-re, Do-mi-num." The melody is written on a single staff in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of four phrases, each marked with a circled number (1, 2, 3, 4). The lyrics are: Mi - se - re - re, mi - se - re - re, Do - mi - num. Mi - se - re - re, mi - se - re - re, Do - mi - num.

Music: *Love Round*, anonymous

All sing.

Musical notation and lyrics for the hymn "From the river to the desert". The melody is written on a single staff in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are:

1. From the riv - er to the des - ert, For - ty days that give no rest;
2. If you are the one God choo - ses, You can turn these stones to bread.
3. If you are the one God of - fers, Leap in - to the an - gels' hands.
4. If you are the one God prom - ised, You could still bow down to me.
5. Since we are the ones you gath - er, And from sin and death have freed,

Fast and pray and wait and wres - tle, Face the Ad - ver - sar - y's test:
 2. See, the chil - dren yearn and hun - ger, By your deeds the poor are fed.
 3. Show your pow - er and your glo - ry, Then be - lief will sweep the land.
 4. Look at all the wealth of na - tions, I will give you all you see.
 5. Je - sus, know - ing all our weak - ness, Now at God's high al - tar plead.

1. Prince of Peace and Prince of Dark - ness Meet in lone - ly wil - der - ness.
2. "Don't you know that it is writ - ten: No one lives by bread a - lone."
3. "Don't you know that it is writ - ten: Do not tempt the Lord your God."
4. "Don't you know that it is writ - ten: Wor - ship God and God a - lone."
5. For we know that it is writ - ten That your grace is all we need.

Hymns for the Gospels #54 "From the river to the desert"

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Sending Forth & Blessing

Please stand as able.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All sing. The first stanza is sung in unison. Stanzas 2 & 3 may be sung in harmony

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The first system contains the first stanza of the prayer. The second system contains the second stanza. The third system contains the third stanza. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

E - ter - nal Lord of love, be - hold your Church walk - ing once more the pil - grim way of Lent,
So dai - ly dy - ing to the way of self, so dai - ly liv - ing to your way of love,
If dead in you, so in you we a - rise, you the first - born of all the faith - ful dead;

led by your cloud by day, by night your fire, moved by your love and
we walk the road, Lord Je - sus, that you trod, know - ing our - selves bap -
and as through sto - ny ground the green shoots break, glo - rious in spring - time

toward your pres - ence bent: far off yet here— the goal of all de - sire.
tized in - to your death: so we are dead and live with you in God.
dress of leaf and flower, so in the Fa - ther's glo - ry shall we wake.

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Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prelude for the Organ in G Major "Wedding Recessional"

Music: Fanny (Mendelssohn) Hensel (1805-1847)



Coming Up at SPR

Lenten Formation Series: Visual Journey Through Scripture

During Lent 2022, join priest associate Roger Ferlo once again for a six-session Lenten study course. Using online resources from the website *Visual Commentary on Scripture*, we will pair key Scripture passages with visual images drawn from Western artistic traditions. The course will meet on Zoom on six Wednesdays in Lent from **7pm-8:30pm**. Mark your calendars for **Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, 29, and April 6, 13**. Sign up in the narthex to register.

Learn more about CRS and SPR's new Faith in Action Team

Have you been interested in social justice issues but haven't been sure how to plug in? Join fellow parishioners for our second meeting about starting a Faith in Action Team (FIAT) at SPR on **Monday, March 14, at 7pm, on Zoom**. A member from Community Renewal Society (CRS) will join us and share details about being a partner organization and how we can get involved. Learn more about what a FIAT is and what being a member would entail. To sign up, email brianna.kuramitsu@gmail.com and you will receive a Zoom link before the event.

Food Pantry Donations

The SPR food pantry seeks donations of: Canned: sweet peas, green beans, mixed vegetables. | Canned or dry: black-eyed peas, pinto beans, garbanzo beans, black beans. | Cereal: Raisin Bran, Cheerios, Frosted Flakes, oatmeal, grits. You may leave donations in the narthex (foyer) on Sunday morning or drop them off on Wednesday between 1:00 and 5:00 PM. Please do not leave donations outside the church in freezing temperatures, as we must discard canned goods that have frozen. Thank you for your generosity.

A Call for Visual Artists—Images Inspired by Gordon Parks

In April & May the Art Committee will feature artwork inspired by photojournalist Gordon Parks who used his camera to tell stories. Images including the title and size should be sent to Carolyn Pereira (pereira1700@yahoo.com) by **March 25**. For display in the chapel, also drop off the artwork in the church office by March 25, framed and ready to hang. The show will be posted on SPR's web page and in the chapel by April 3. There will be a virtual reception on Zoom at 5pm on April 3.

Clorox Wipes for Shoemith

The Shoemith ministry team at SPR requests donations of Clorox wipes for the school. You may bring the wipes to the church on **Sunday morning, March 13** and leave them in the narthex (foyer).

Save the Date for Vacation Bible Camp

Please mark your calendars for Vacation Bible Camp from **August 1-5, 2022**, and VBC Sunday on **August 7, 2022**. VBC is focused on helping kids develop a progressive and joyful sense of faith. Children (ages 4-10) & volunteers (ages 11 and up) are invited to participate. For more information contact Padma Vundi (vundi@sprchicago.org).

Music Notes

In celebration of Women's History Month, today's music features the work of several women poets and composers. The composer of today's postlude, Fanny Hensel (née Mendelssohn), was the elder sister of the unjustly more famous Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy. She was one of the most prolific female composers of the 19th century, penning over 460 works. In the introduction to his edition of Hensel's "Organ Works in G Major", Calvert Johnson proclaims her "[u]ndoubtedly the preeminent woman composer of Germany in the nineteenth century."

Serving Today

March 6, 2022

Presider: The Rev. Lydia Gajdel

Preacher: The Rev. KJ Oh

Deacon: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur

Music Leader: Christian Clough

Children's Chapel Leaders: Padma Vundi, Gretchen Eng

Acolyte: Andrew Rostan (9:15)

Lectors: Andrew Chipman, Fran Spaltro (9:15); Sandy

Mulholland, Rahsaan Morris (11:15)

Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, *Rector*

The Rev. Barnabas E. Pusnur, *Associate Rector*

Christian M. Clough, *Director of Music*

Padma Vundi, *Director of Children's Formation*

Ross Fogg, *Director of Youth Formation*

Lukasz Jedrzejewski, *Sexton*

Gretchen R. Eng, *Children's Music Assistant*

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,

Nursery Teachers

Bridget Skaggs & Ariana Strahl, *Staff Singers*

The Rev. KJ Oh, *Assistant Priest*

The Rev. Jack Seymour, *Deacon*

The Rev. Roger Ferlo, *Priest Associate*

The Rev. Lydia Gajdel, *Priest Associate*

Vestry

Twila Jones, *Warden*

O. Michael Agina

Traci Beck

Jonathan Foiles

Meryl Prochaska

Rebecca Luttrell

Frances Spaltro, *Warden*

Tayo Adegoke, *Treasurer*

Nicholas Bellomy

Vicky Legge

Jason Evans

Celia Paris

Partners in Ministry

Beulah Shoemith Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school through tutoring, arts programs, and gardening.

Community Renewal Society

We are a member congregation of CRS, which organizes faith communities for social change.

Crossroads/Chicago ROAR

Chicago ROAR supports our anti-racism commitments through facilitation and training.

Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

We are proud to belong to the Chicago South Deanery of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago.

Murray Fellows

Through this program, we mentor and encourage the next generation of LGBTQ+ Christian leaders.

Open Kitchen

SPR members gather monthly to cook meals for Kenwood UCC's Feed the People Soup Kitchen.

St. Patrick's Church & School, Haiti

Our collaboration with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti, includes school lunch and music programs, teacher salaries, and capital projects.

St. Paul & the Redeemer Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open to the community every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Syrian Community Network

Each year, SPR sponsors a newly resettled refugee family from Syria through visits, tutoring and more.