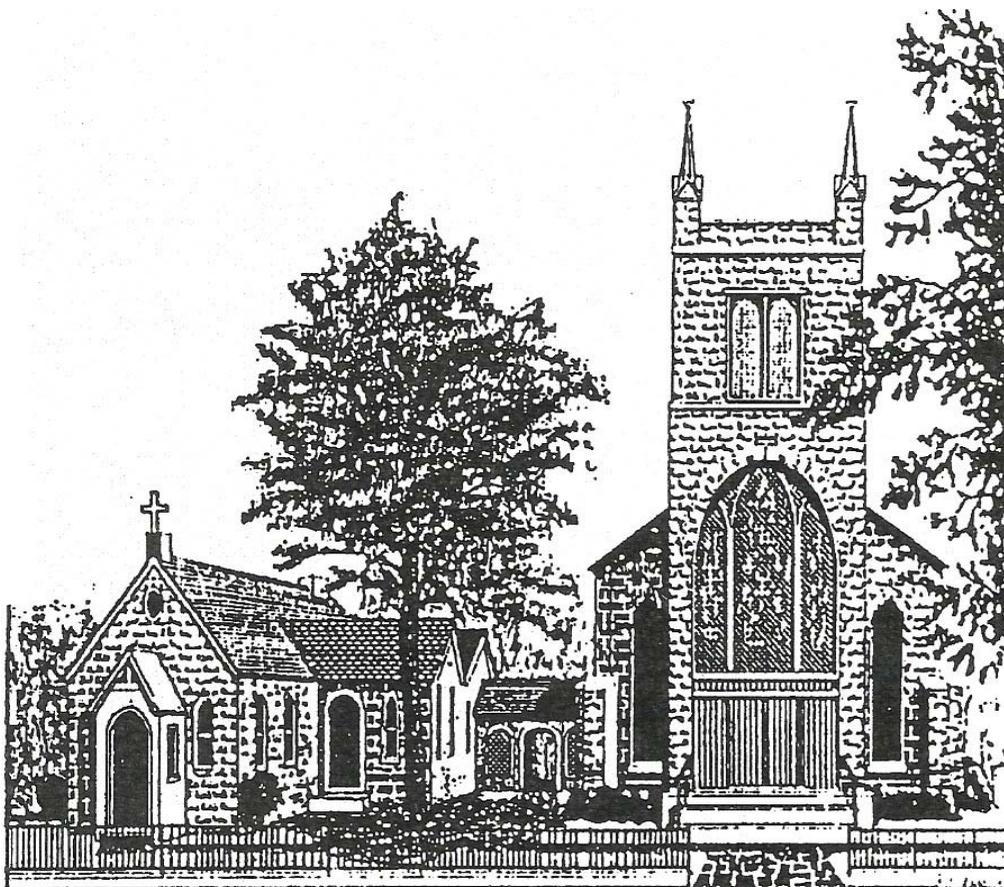


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**The Second Sunday in Lent**

**March 4, 2012**  
**Order of Service**  
**8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

**Holy Eucharist – Rite I  
8:00 a.m.**

**The Word of God**

<b>Opening Acclamation</b>	<b>BCP-323</b>
<b>Collect for Purity</b>	<b>BCP-323</b>
<b>Lord, have mercy upon us.</b>	<b>BCP-324</b>

**The Collect of the Day**

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.*

**Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16**

<b>Psalms 22:22-30</b> <i>Deus, Deus meus</i>	<b>BCP-611</b>
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**Romans 4:13-25**

**The Gospel (please stand) Mark 8:31-38**

<b>Sermon</b>	<b>The Rev. Steven E. Carroll</b>
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<b>The Nicene Creed</b>	<b>BCP-326</b>
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<b>The Prayers of the People</b>	<b>BCP-328</b>
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<b>Confession/Absolution</b>	<b>BCP-330/332</b>
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<b>The Peace</b>	<b>BCP-332</b>
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**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

<b>Eucharistic Prayer I</b>	<b>BCP-333</b>
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<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>	<b>BCP-336</b>
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**All Baptized Christians are Welcome to Receive Communion.**

<b>Post-Communion Prayer</b>	<b>BCP-339</b>
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<b>The Blessing and Dismissal</b>	<b>BCP-339</b>
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**Holy Eucharist – Rite II**  
**10:30 a.m.**

**The Word of God**

**Prelude**      *Italian Concerto for Klavier, BWV 971: "Andante"*  
Johann Sebastian Bach

**The Kyrie Pantokrator** (sung in procession; see insert)

**Salutation**      **BCP-355**

**Kyrie**      Setting by Franz Schubert **S-96**

**The Collect of the Day**

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.**

**Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16**

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarah your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

(Gregorian Chant setting, sung by the choir)

Tone IV.

- 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him; \*  
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;  
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 **For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither does he hide his face from them; \*  
but when they cry to him he hears them.**
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 **The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: \*  
"May your heart live for ever!"**
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, \*  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 **For kingship belongs to the LORD; \*  
he rules over the nations.**
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 **My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him; \*  
they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.**
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*  
the saving deeds that he has done.

**Romans 4:13-25**

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. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall

your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

**Gradual Hymn**

***"Take Up Thy Cross" (v. 1-2,5)***

**H-675**

**Bourbon**

**The Gospel (please stand) Mark 8:31-38**

Then Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Steven E. Carroll**

**The Nicene Creed**

**BCP-358**

**Prayers of the People (Form 1)**

**BCP-383**

**Confession**

**BCP-360**

**Absolution**

**BCP-360**

**The Peace**

**BCP-360**

**Announcements**



In the absence of our organ, the service music will be accompanied on piano. This includes the Prelude and Postlude. Today's **Prelude** is the slow movement from The Italian concerto for Keyboard (originally played on harpsichord) by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). It is at the same time both rhapsodic and intense, appropriate to the Gospel theme for today. The **Postlude** is the first fugue in J. S. Bach's "Art of the Fugue", a set of 14 Fugues and four Canons based on a single theme and intended to explore the depths of contrapuntal settings of that theme. The **Choir Anthem**, possibly by Henry Loosemore (c. 1600-1670), organist at King's College Cambridge for all of his professional life. It is a delightful small scale Anthem, deceptively challenging.

**JUNIOR CHORISTERS:** Many thanks to you for participating and leading the "farewell to Alleluia" last Sunday. The Junior choristers will rehearse after today's liturgy.

**HANDBELLS:** Our fine handbell ensemble, The Salem Ringers, is still in need of additional players to fill "big bell" positions on a regular basis. If you read music and are interested, please see Bill Clisham, Minister of Music, at your earliest convenience.

**ORGAN NEWS:** After the scare we had on Friday, February 17 (sparks and flames), our organ blower motor, which is originally from 1934, has been taken to an electric motor repair shop in Wilmington, DE. It is hoped we will be without the use of the organ for only two or three weeks, while repairs are made. Keep the organ enhancement fund in your thoughts these days.

**FRIENDS OF MUSIC:** In an effort to bring the church's budget back to non-deficit condition, a number of 2012 budget line items were reduced drastically. One of these items in the music budget was the line item which covers special guest musicians for special services. But the Vestry has given the go-ahead for a special music fund to cover such disbursements. If you are one of the people who appreciates a brass quartet for the Easter liturgy and/or a string trio for a special Missa Brevis in June, and if you are able, you are invited to contribute to a special, non-budgeted fund to support those ventures. A trumpet player's (or French Horn or Trombone) fee for a rehearsal and Easter service is \$200. So is a violinist (or cellist) for a June Missa. Please speak to Bill Clisham for details about how you can assist.

**If you would like your child to receive communion instruction, we have some instructional materials for family use. Please check with Fr. Steve.**

**It is traditional to hold classes to prepare both adults and teens for confirmation and to provide a forum for persons interested in what the Episcopal Church believes and teaches. If you are questioning, seeking, interested in joining, or ready to make an "affirmation of faith", meet with Father Steve following the 10:30 Eucharist today.**

**By the time you read this, Rosie should be home from Cooper University Hospital. Her surgery (heart bypass) was successful and what remains is 8 weeks of cardiac therapy and**

recovery. Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers, presents, cards, and meals! Fr. Steve will be at home for the next week as they work into a routine. Stay tuned for further updates! Oh – it appears that the Forerunner will be delayed. Look for a March-April issue.

**Remember to save your soda tabs and put them in the jars in the Parish Hall for Ronald McDonald House.**

**Thank you for the generous donation of food to stock our Food Pantry. We still need juice, fruit, soups, canned meats, mac&cheese, Ramen noodles, canned and microwaveable entrees, and jelly [We have a lot of peanut butter and two small jars of jam. All donations are needed and appreciated.**

	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>				
	Jan 29	Feb 5	Feb 12	Feb 19	Feb 26
<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>10:30 am</b>	<u><b>41</b></u>	<u><b>39</b></u>	<u><b>38</b></u>	<u><b>37</b></u>	<u><b>45</b></u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>67</b>

**February 26      Pledges \$1605.02      Loose Offerings \$42.50**

**This Week's Parish Calendar –The Second Sunday in Lent**

- Sun, 3/4**      **8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I;**  
                  **9:00 am Choir Rehearsal;**  
                  **9:15-10:15 Sunday School and Adult Forum;**  
                  **10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II;**  
                  **12:00-12:40 pm Junior Chorister Rehearsal;**  
                  **ECW Birthday Sunday.**
- Mon, 3/5**      **5-9 pm CASA training.**
- Tue, 3/6**      **9:00 Quilters;**  
                  **9:00-11:00 am IAC;**  
                  **6:45 pm Ringers;**  
                  **8:00 pm NA.**
- Wed, 3/7**      **10:30-Noon CIACC;**  
                  **12:30-2:00 pm YSC;**  
                  **Noon Eucharist and Healing Service**  
                  **in the Chapel;**  
                  **5:00-7:00 pm Family Support Organization;**  
                  **6:00 pm Community Lenten Service (see schedule);**  
                  **8:00 pm AA.**
- Thu, 3/8**      **5-9 pm CASA training.**

**Next Week's Parish Calendar –The Third Sunday in Lent**

**Sun, 3/11** 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I;  
9:00 am Choir Rehearsal;  
9:15-10:15 Sunday School and Adult Forum;  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II;  
12:00-12:40 pm Junior Chorister Rehearsal;  
12:30 pm Vestry Meeting;  
ECW Sandwich Sunday.

**Mon, 3/12** 5-9 pm CASA training.

**Tue, 3/13** 9:00 Quilters;  
9:00-11:00 am IAC;  
6:45 pm Ringers;  
8:00 pm NA.

**Wed, 3/14** 10:30-Noon CIACC;  
12:30-2:00 pm YSC;  
Noon Eucharist and Healing Service  
in the Chapel;  
5:00-7:00 pm Family Support Organization;  
6:00 pm Community Lenten Service (see schedule);  
8:00 pm AA.

**Thu, 3/15** 5-9 pm CASA training.

**We appreciate the Participants in Today's Services:**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Presiding & Preaching**

**The Rev. Steven E. Carroll**

**Celebrants**

**The People of St. John's**

**Chalicer, Lector, Prayers of the People**

**Jim Davis**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Presiding & Preaching**

**The Rev. Steven E. Carroll**

**Assisting**

**Donna Donohue**

**Celebrants**

**The People of St. John's**

**Minister of Music**

**Bill Clisham**

**Chalicer**

**Diane Wohlrab**

**Lector**

**Mary Anne Clisham**

**Prayers of the People**

**Mary Anne Clisham**

**Acolyte Guild**

**David Miller-Crucifer**

**Ron Wohlrab-Acolyte**

**Jean Miller-Acolyte**

**Oblations**

**Marcie Frame and Betty Wismer**

**Altar Guild**  
**Ushers**  
**Lock-up Duty**

**TBD**  
**Donna and Bob Donohue**  
**Diane Wohlrab**

**TODAY'S COUNTERS ARE RALPH MAGILL AND RON MAGILL.**

**COMMUNITY LENTEN PROGRAM**

The Salem Area Ministerium has set its Lenten Program for 2012 and it is as follows:

Wednesday evenings

6 pm soup and bread supper

7 pm worship service

Lent 2, 3/7: Spirit Life Fellowship Church

Lent 3, 3/14: Emanuel Lutheran Church

Lent 4, 3/21: Mt. Hope United Methodist

Lent 5, 3/28: Walnut Street Bible OR 1st Baptist

April 6th Good Friday: 12 to 3 pm at Haven United Methodist Church

April 8th – Easter – 6:30 AM – under the Oak at the Friends Cemetery (bring your own chair).

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARY**

**Happy Birthday**

**03/01 Phyllis Kates**  
**03/05 Kalynn Kernan**  
**03/05 Jim Paras**  
**03/10 Douglas Van Sant, Jr.**  
**03/10 Joseph F. Peterson III**  
**03/13 John Sweeney**  
**03/15 David Willis**  
**03/17 John Laning, Jr.**  
**03/19 Bill Mecum**  
**03/21 Ted Paras**  
**03/22 Arlene Kober**  
**03/30 Chuck Miller**  
**03/30 Kayla Ann Peterson**

**Happy Anniversary**

**03/31/1979 Theresa and Douglas Van Sant**

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