

SACRED HEART, TAMPA
Second Sunday of Lent
5:30 PM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
16 March 2025

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Song: Our God Is Here (Muglia)

V.1 Here in this time, here in this place

Here we are standing face to face

Here in our hearts, here in our lives

Our God is here!

Here for the broken, here for the strong

Here in this temple we belong

Here in our hearts, here in our lives

Our God is here!

Chorus:

And we cry holy, holy, holy are You!
We cry holy, holy, holy and true
Amen we do believe, our God is here
Our God is here!

V.2 Here in the Word, God is revealed
Here where the wounded can be healed
Here in our hearts, here in our lives
Our God is here!
Here we become, what we receive
Here in this Eucharistic feast
We are His body, living as one
Our God is here! ***(chorus)***

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PENITENTIAL RITE

Cantor: Lord Jesus, you are God's beloved son:

Lord have mercy,

All: *Lord have mercy!*

Cantor: Christ Jesus, you were transfigured in glory, revealing the splendor of the life to come:

Christ have mercy,

All: *Christ have mercy!*

Cantor: Lord Jesus, you are the way that leads us out of darkness into God's wonderful light:

Lord have mercy,

All: *Lord have mercy!*

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

The Lord God took Abram outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so,” he added, “shall your descendants be.” Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. He then said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession.” “O Lord GOD,” he asked, “how am I to know that I shall possess it?” He answered him, “Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” Abram brought him all these, split them in two, and placed

each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him. When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 27

Lord my light,
Lord my salvation!
I will not fear,
I will not fear! (*repeat*)

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Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

(The short form of the second reading omits the italicized verse and begins below)

Join with others in being imitators of me, brothers and sisters, and observe those who thus conduct themselves according to the model you have in us. For many, as I have often told you and now tell you even in tears, conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is

destruction. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their “shame.” Their minds are occupied with earthly things. But,

(The short form of the second reading begins here)

(O)ur citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!

Gospel Greeting: Thy Word

(Grant/Smith)

**Thy Word, is a lamp unto my feet,
and a light, unto, my path!**

Verse 1:

When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way.
Still You're there
Right beside me.
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near.
You are near me till the end!

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Gospel:

Luke 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for

you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my chosen Son; listen to him.” After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

*No repeat of the refrain outside
Ordinary Time - Please be seated.*

Homily

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
 (all bow during the next two lines)
 who was conceived by the Holy
 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day,
he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;

from there he will come
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Universal Prayer

**Response: “Have mercy on us and on
the whole world.”**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts & Altar:

Mountain Of God (Brown Bannister |
Mac Powell)

V.1

Thought that I was all alone
Broken and afraid
But You were there with me
You were there with me
And I didn't even know
That I had lost my way
But You were there with me
Yes You were there with me
Until You opened up my eyes
I never knew
That I couldn't even make it without You

Chorus:

Even though the journey's long
And I know the road is hard
Well the One who's gone before me
He will help me carry on
And after all that I've been through
Now I realize the truth
That I must go through the valley
To stand upon the mountain of God

V.2 As I travel on the road
That You have led me down
You are here with me
You are here with me

I have need for nothing more
Oh now that I have found
That You are here with me
Yes You are here with me
And I confess sometimes I lose my way
But You are always there
To bring me back again

Chorus:

Even though the journey's long
And I know the road is hard
Well the One who's gone before me
He will help me carry on
And after all that I've been through
Now I realize the truth
That I must go through the valley
To stand upon the mountain of God

Bridge:

Sometimes I think of where
It is I've come from
And the things I've left behind
But of all I've had
What I've possessed
Nothing can quite compare
With what's in front of me
With what's in front of me

Chorus:

Even though the journey's long
And I know the road is hard
Well the One who's gone before me
He will help me carry on
And after all that I've been through
Now I realize the truth
That I must go through the valley
To stand upon the mountain of God

I must go through the valley
To stand upon the mountain of God
I must go through the valley
To stand upon the mountain of God!

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Eucharistic Acclamations:

Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano)

Holy, Holy – When We Eat – Amen

COMMUNION RITE

Our Father

***Lamb of God: Agnus Dei* (Honore)**

Communion Song 1 – Overwhelmed
(Weaver / Wickham)

V.1 I see the work of Your hands
Galaxies spin in a heavenly dance oh God
All that You are is so overwhelming

V.2 And I hear the sound of Your voice
All at once it's a gentle
And thundering noise oh God
All that You are is so overwhelming

Chorus:

I delight myself in You
Captivated by Your beauty
I'm overwhelmed,
I'm overwhelmed, by You

And God I run into Your arms
Unashamed because of mercy
I'm overwhelmed,
I'm overwhelmed by You

V.3 I know the pow'r of Your cross
Forgiven and free
forever You'll be my God
All that You've done is so overwhelming

Chorus:

I delight myself in You
In the glory of Your presence
I'm overwhelmed,
I'm overwhelmed, by You

And God I run into Your arms
Unashamed because of mercy
I'm overwhelmed,
I'm overwhelmed by You

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Communion Song 2: How Great is Our God (Tomlin, Cash, Reeves)

V.1 The splendour of the King.
Clothed in majesty.
Let all the earth rejoice.
All the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light.
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice.
And trembles at His voice

Chorus:

How great is our God.

Sing with me how great, is our God!

And all will see how great,

how great, is our God!

V.2 And age to age He stands

And time is in His hands

Beginning and the End.

Beginning and the End.

The Godhead three in one.

Father Spirit Son.

The Lion and the Lamb

The Lion and the Lamb (chorus)

Chorus:

How great is our God.
Sing with me how great, is our God!
And all will see how great,
how great, is our God!

Bridge:

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God!

(Repeat chorus and bridge as needed).

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CONCLUDING RITE

Sending Forth Song: You Are the Light
(Cash/Blakesley)

V.2 Nations will rise,
To the glory of the father.
Kingdoms will bow,
To the Lamb wounded and scarred.
Your people cry out,
In the cities and the fields;
Your people will shout,
Lord, let Your glory be revealed!

Chorus:

You are the light! You are the light!
All of heaven and earth are singing,
You are the light! ***(Repeat chorus to end)***

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