

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church  
Incline Village, Nevada



*Christ and the Woman of Samaria (1681) Pierre Mignard*

*Seeking Light and Sharing Love*

**We welcome you to Saint Patrick's Church.** We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today.

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# The Third Sunday in Lent

## March 8, 2026

### The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

Prelude: *Jesus Loves Me*

Dale Wood

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

Hymn: *Have Thine Own Way, Lord!* LEVAS #145

1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! \_\_\_\_\_  
2. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! \_\_\_\_\_

1. Thou art the pot - ter, I am the clay! \_\_\_\_\_  
2. Search me and try me, Mas - ter, to - day! \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Wound - ed and wea - ry, Help me, I pray! \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Hold o'er my be - ing Ab - so - lute sway! \_\_\_\_\_

1. Mold me and make me Aft - er thy will, \_\_\_\_\_  
2. Pur - er than snow, Lord, Wash me just now, \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Pow - er all pow - er Sure - ly is thine! \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Fill with thy Spir - it 'Til all shall see \_\_\_\_\_

1. While I am wait - ing, Yield - ed and still, \_\_\_\_\_  
2. As in thy pres - ence Hum - bly I bow, \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Touch me and heal me, Sav - ior di - vine! \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Christ on - ly, al - ways, Liv - ing in me! \_\_\_\_\_

### **Opening Acclamation**

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*His mercy endureth for ever.*

### **Collect for Purity**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **The Decalogue: Traditional**

God spake these words, and said:

I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

**Lord have mercy upon us,**

**and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Honor thy father and thy mother.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt do no murder.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt not steal.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt not covet.

*Lord have mercy upon us,*

*and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.*

Seeing that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14, 16

**Confession, Absolution: Page 320**

**Song of Praise: LEVAS #239**

*Leader*  
Ky - ri - e

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri -

Chri - te

e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, e - le - i -

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The Lord be with you.

*And with thy spirit.*

Let us pray.

**Collect of the Day:** Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**The First Reading:** *Exodus 17:1-7*

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 95**

- 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the LORD is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
- 8 Harden not your hearts,  
as your forebears did in the wilderness, \*  
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,  
when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test, \*  
though they had seen my works.

10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said, \*

"This people are wayward in their hearts;  
they do not know my ways."

11 So I swore in my wrath, \*

"They shall not enter into my rest."

**The Second Reading:** *Romans 5:1-11*

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

Sequence Hymn: *Love Divine All Loves Excelling* Hymnal 1982 #657

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to  
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy  
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,  
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

The Holy Gospel: *John 4:5-42*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*Praise be to thee, O Christ*

**Sermon**

The Very Reverend Marla Asson

**Nicene Creed:** *BCP page 326*

**The Prayers of the People:** *BCP page 329*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.  
Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

**The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*And with thy spirit.*

**Announcements**

**Special Blessings**

**SERVICE OF THE TABLE:** Eucharistic Prayer I

**Music at the Offertory:** *More Love to Thee*

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**Doxology:** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

The Lord be with you.

*And with thy spirit.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Let us give thanks unto our God.

*It is meet and right so to do.*

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 tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for 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:

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. Bless - ed is he 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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**Lord's Prayer**

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**Music at Communion:** *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

**Post Communion Prayer:** *BCP page 339*

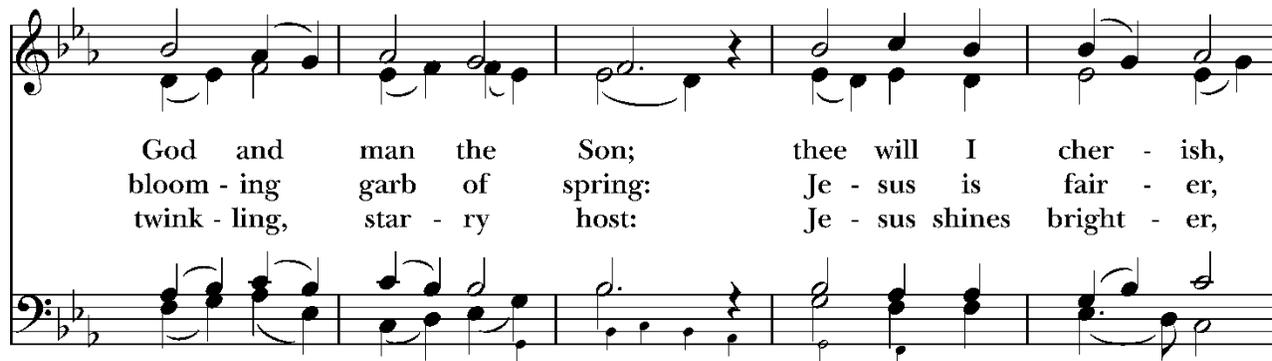
**Final Blessing**

Now, let us depart this place in peace. As we go, remember the poor, pray for the sick, make no peace with oppression, and love one another as Christ has loved you. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always.

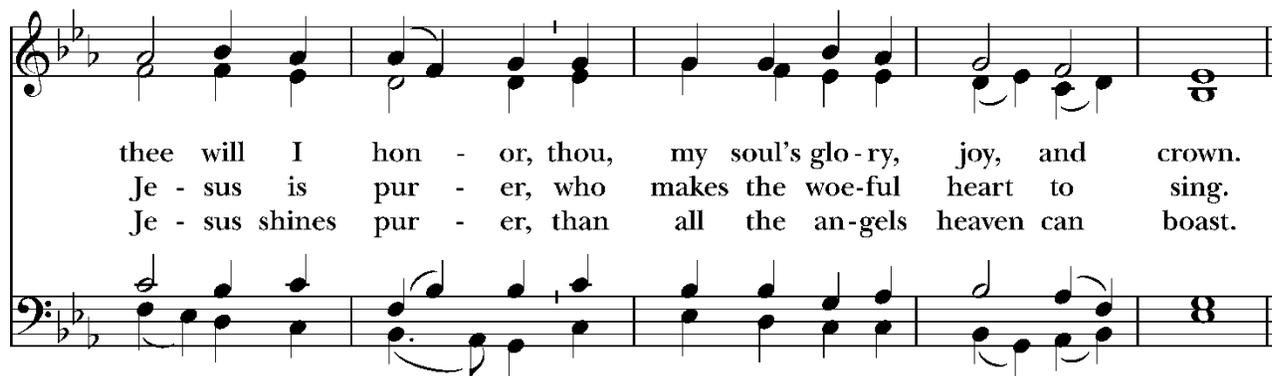
Hymn: *Fairest Lord Jesus* Hymnal 1982 #383



1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of  
2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the



God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,  
bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,  
twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,



thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.  
Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.  
Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

Words: German composite; tr. pub. New York, 1850, alt. Music: *St. Elizabeth*, melody from *Schlesische Volkslieder*, 1842; harm. Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953).

Let us bless the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude

We remember those who are in our Columbarium.



*Please join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall following worship!*



## Worship Assistants

Minister of Music: Donna Axton Choir: Gwendalyn Gilliam, Nora Behrens, Daniel Gollery, Suzanne & Marty Gollery, Larry Harrison, Kay Lehr, Bret Logan, Donna Dekker-Robertson, Paula Chapman, Thea Reed, Steve Barney, Patsy Decea

Readers: Emmet Power & Ian Temple

Usher: Emmet Power

Counters: Bob Skidmore & Emmet Power

Altar Guild: Gwendalyn Gilliam

## Clergy

The Rev. Marla Asson, Rector

## Members of the Vestry

Mike Wang, Senior Warden; Suzanne Gollery, Junior Warden

Paula Chapman, Treasurer

Suzanne Gollery, Dick Jackson, Connie Skidmore (2024-2027 term)

Paula Chapman (2025-2028 term)

Thea Reed (2026-2029 term)

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### Notes on cover art:

After drinking water given to him from a well by a woman of Samaria, Christ used the water as a metaphor for his gift of salvation and the promise of eternal life, saying, "Those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty" (John 4:14). Mignard's painting was admired by the nation's arbiter of taste, King Louis XIV. An observer recorded Louis' reaction to seeing the new picture in the collection of a prominent family: "The king found [Christ and the Woman of Samaria] so beautiful that he could not help showing that he would very much have liked to own it." The owner declined to present it to the king, however, and Louis had to be content with a much smaller replica he commissioned from Mignard in 1690, the year he elevated the artist to the positions of First Painter to the King and Director of the French Academy.

An x-ray of the painting reveals that the artist made subtle changes in the placement of the figure. The original outline of the woman's profile can be seen to the left of the final version. Her feet were also shifted to the right and the folds of her garment were rearranged.

<https://collection.ncartmuseum.org/objects/428/christ-and-the-woman-of-samaria>