St Paul's Church, Egham Hythe

Zoom Gathering 7th February 2021

2nd Sunday in Lent

Introduction and opening sentence

Lord, speak to us
that we may hear your word.
Move among us
that we may behold your glory.
Receive our prayers
that we may learn to trust you. Amen.

Hymn: I heard the voice of Jesus say

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary and worn and sad;
I found in Him a resting place,
And He has made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light; Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, And all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found In Him my Star, my Sun; And in that light of life I'll walk, Till trav'ling days are done



Prayer of Penitence (a time to say sorry to God)

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy spirit from me:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

cf Psalm 51

Absolution

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect (2nd Sunday in Lent)

Almighty God, by the power and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mysteries of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reading: Mark 8: 31-end

Then he began to teach them 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.'

Reflection

Song Oceans (Where feet may fail)

You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown
Where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep my faith will stand

Your grace abounds in deepest waters Your sovereign hand Will be my guide Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me You've never failed and You won't start now And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

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Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander And my faith will be made stronger In the presence of my Saviour

The Creed

Let us declare our faith and trust in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

We share the Peace

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

Hymn: Lead us heavenly Father, lead us

1.Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

2.Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us; all our weakness thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth before us; thou didst feel its keenest woe; self denying, death defying, thou to Calvary didst go.

3. Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy; love with every passion blending pleasure that can never cloy; thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**