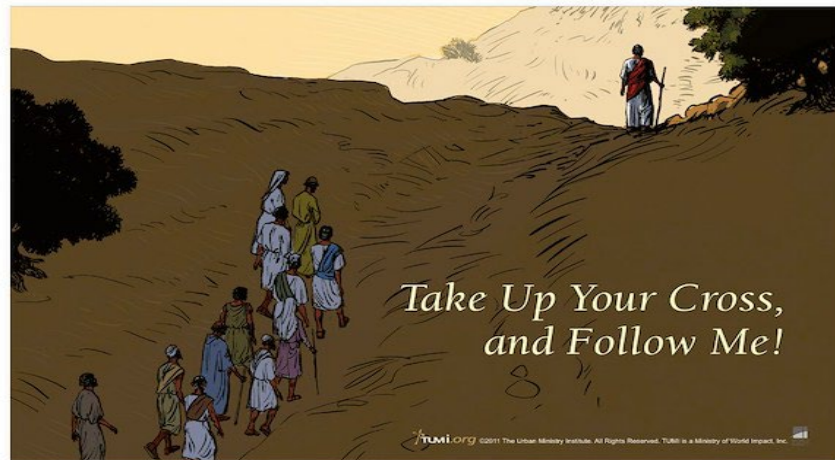


St. Philip's Episcopal Church

Second Sunday in Lent

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9:30 am



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We are so glad you are here, and I hope you find worship at St. Philip's Episcopal Church to be inspiring, spirit

-filled, and nurturing for your faith journey. Here are two ways to take a next step:

- 1) Simply fill out the visitor card in the pew. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher. Your responses are confidential, and we will contact you only if you make that request.
- 2) A calendar of events can be found on our website at stphilipsrva.org or in our e-News (subscribe on the website) as an invitation to you! All of our classes, services, and programs are open to all. If you are interested in learning more about St. Philip's or the Episcopal Church, please let me know!

As you prepare your heart, soul, mind, and body for worship, may the love of God and the mercy of Christ fill your heart with peace.

The Rev. Marlene E. Forrest Rector of St. Philip's

About Today's Worship: About Today's Worship:

We welcome all people to meet Christ in the sharing of our sacred meal.

◆ Options at Communion

- 1 **Intinction** is the practice of dipping the bread into the wine in the chalice rather than eating the bread first and then drinking the wine. It is entirely acceptable to receive the Sacrament by intinction. **Intinction** will be done by verbally indicating to the priest of your desire. The priest will **intinct for you** and place the wafer in your hand for you to consume.
- 2 You may **ONLY Sip** from the common cup that will be held by the Lay Eucharistic Minister. Drinking from the common cup is also an acceptable way to receive the Blood of Christ (wine).
- 3 You may **choose to not receive wine** with the knowledge that the Body of Christ (wafer) is full and sufficient. Should you wish to not receive wine you may return to your seat after receiving the wafer.
- 4 Should you desire a **blessing**, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your desire to the priest. If you seek a deeper relationship with Christ through baptism, please speak with a priest after the service.
- 5 Should you need a **Gluten-Free wafer** please indicate your need to the priest.

Holy Baptism is our rite of initiation into the Christian faith and primary to membership in our parish. If you would like to learn more about this sacred rite and membership in our church, please speak with Rev. Marlene or contact our office at 804-321-1266.

The Season of Lent

Liturgical changes for Lent

The season of lent brings a variety of liturgical changes to underscore the more somber character of the season of penitence before the great feast of Easter. You will notice some of these changes on the first Sunday in lent which is March 6th this year. Others will not be evident until later in the season of the great 40 days. All are traditions that have been incorporated over hundreds of years of the church is heritage. They help us to move deeper into our spiritual lives by offering tools for worship that impact all of our senses.

The liturgical changes made both in the decorations of the church as well as in the regular liturgy during Lent include:

Liturgical Colors -The altar hangings are purple, a color of Jesus' royal kingship and of his royal priesthood, as he embraces suffering and finally death on the cross for his people. At Saint Phillips we use unbleached vestments during lent.

Sundays in Lent -On the first Sunday in Lent we will begin with the Great Litany (found on page 148 of the Book of Common Prayer). It replaces both the Prayers of the People and the General Confession on this day only.

Penitential Order - There are changes in the liturgy during Lent as well. The service starts with the Penitential Order (found on page 319 of the Book of Common Prayer) beginning on the second Sunday in Lent, which focuses on confessing our sins and receiving forgiveness from the very beginning of our worship. We will use Rite I, the older form of the Eucharist during Lent.

The Procession- On Sundays in Lent the procession will enter in silence.

Processional Cross -The regular shiny brass processional cross is replaced by a plain, wooden processional cross, or covered with black or purple cloth reminding us of the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ on a tree. His sacrifice defeats death and makes us whole.

Flowers – There are no flowers on the altar during Lent, reflecting the focus on repentance over celebration.

Music – The music used for the regular parts of the Eucharist changes; it is more in a minor key and in a more transcendent style. There will be no musical prelude or postlude during Lent. The Gloria in Excelsis is replaced in Lent by the Trisagion. The Fractional Anthem will be “Lamb of God.”

Eucharistic Prayers – During Lent we will use Eucharistic Prayer C which is more penitential and requires greater participation from the congregation.

Post Communion Prayer – At the end, the post-communion prayer is different, demanding our attention to the actual words of what we are praying.

Alleluia – All Alleluias are put away (the ancient term is “buried”) during Lent, reflecting that Lent is again about penitence over celebration. They are resurrected at the joyous celebration of Easter.

Hymns – The hymns during Lent are different in character, with words that draw us to the holiness of God and our need for God’s forgiveness and grace.

All of these changes to the liturgy during Lent are designed to get our attention and force us to engage the experience in a more present way. Hopefully our Lenten Services will help to take each of us out of our comfort zone and truly reflect on our lives and relationship with Christ.

HOLY EUCHARIST - Rite I

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: His mercy endureth for ever.

THE DECALOGUE

God spoke 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.

Hear what our Lord Jesus saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shall treat thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments all the Law and the Prophets. (*Matthew 22: 37-40*)

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Most merciful God, confess that we have sinned against thee thought, word, and deed, what we have done, by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE TRISAGION

Hymn S360

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

THE COLLECT FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

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.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

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 Sarai 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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:22-30

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.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 4:13-25

For 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**1 Thou my everlasting portion,
More than friend or life to me;
All along my pilgrim journey,
Savior let me walk with thee.
Close to thee, Close to Thee,
Close to thee, Close to thee;
All along my pilgrim journey,
Savior let me walk with thee.**

**2 Not for ease or worldly pleasure,
Nor for fame my prayer shall be;
Gladly will I toil and suffer,
Only let me walk with thee.
Close to thee, Close to Thee,
Close to thee, Close to thee;
Gladly will I toil and suffer,
Only let me walk with thee.**

**3 Lead me through the vale of shadows,
Bear me o'er life's fitful sea;
Then the gate of life eternal
May I enter, Lord, with thee.
Close to thee, Close to Thee,
Close to thee, Close to thee;
Then the gate of life eternal
May I enter, Lord, with thee.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Marlene E. Forrest

NICENE CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion, hear our prayers.

We pray for the whole church, all leaders and ministers, and all the holy people of God. Wash us through and through, **And cleanse us from our sin.**

We pray for our city Richmond, the nation, for all the nations of the earth, and for all who govern and judge. Purge us from our sin, **And we shall be pure.**

We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live under the threat of terror, and those without a place to lay their head. Make them hear of joy and gladness, **that those who are broken may rejoice.**

We pray for those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely. Give them the joy of your saving help, **and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.**

In this season of Lent we pray for those who prepare for baptism, and we pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent and grow closer to you, O God. Create in us clean hearts, O God, **and renew a right spirit within us.**

We pray for Jace Crews, Ian Tutwiler, Alma Doyle and Clifton McClenney, Jr. and give you thanks on their birthday. Fill them with Your presence and let them know how much You love them, **bless them abundantly with peace and grace.**

We pray for those who have died, and who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace. Cast them not away from your presence, **and take not your Holy Spirit from them.**

We especially pray for the sick, especially Cynthia Bentley, Regina Boone, Mary Carter, Yvonne Carter, Alex Corbett, Rosa Chance, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Simone DeJean, Ibrahim Elbalola, Lorraine Fasset, Rueben Greene, William Harris, Yolanda Haynes, Ester Hyatt, Bill James, Ollie Jordan, Robinette Miller, Lela Morris, Robert Myers, Hortense Powell, Nancy Shadt, Anice Saunders, Mary Saunders, Barbara Forrest Thompson, Clementine Washington and Wendall White and for those who care for them, that they may know your protection and care and the joy of abundant life and **comfort and heal them with your salvation.**

Lord Jesus, you taught your disciples that you must undergo great suffering and be killed before rising again; grant us the strength and wisdom to be your followers and to take up our cross to follow you, this day and always. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with thy spirit

THE PEACE OF GOD

Eudora L. Forrest

The Peace of God be always with you,
And may God's grace be always with your heart.
And may His love keep you in perfect peace,
The love of God, the love of God,
the love of God Keep you in perfect peace.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, AND TRAVEL BLESSINGS

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

An offering is received to support St. Philip's ministry of sharing God's love.

*All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed or
scan the QR code for ways to make a payment.*



OFFERTORY

O How I Love Jesus

LEVAS 95

1 There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
It sounds like music in mine ear,
The sweetest name on earth.

Refrain:
O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me!

2 It tells me of a Savior's love,
Who died to set me free;
It tells me of His precious blood,
The sinner's perfect plea. [Refrain]

3 It tells me what my Father hath
In store for ev'ry day,
And though I tread a darksome path,
Yields sunshine all the way. [Refrain]

4 It tells of one whose loving heart
Can feel my deepest woe,
Who in each sorrow bears a part,
That none can bear below. [Refrain]

**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 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 thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah; Isaac and Rebecca; and Jacob, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God

Hymn S160

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN*

Let us Break Bread Together on our Knees

1982 Hymn 325

1 Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees;

Refrain:

when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees; *[Refrain]*

3 Let us praise God together on our knees;
let us praise God together on our knees; *[Refrain]*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Takes the place of the Blessing during Lent

Bow down before the Lord.

Please kneel as able.

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN*

Blessed Feasts of blessed Martyrs

1982 Hymn 238

**1. Blessed feasts of blessed martyrs,
holy women, holy men,
with affection's recollections
greet we your return again.
Worthy deeds they wrought, and wonders,
worthy of the Name they bore;
we, with meetest praise and sweetest,
honor them for evermore.**

**2. Faith prevailing, hope unfailing,
loving Christ with single heart,
thus they, glorious and victorious,
bravely bore the martyr's part,
by contempt of every anguish,
by unyielding battle done;
victors at the last, they triumph,
with the host of angels one.**

**3. Therefore, ye that reign in glory,
fellow-heirs with Christ on high,
join to ours your supplication
when before him we draw nigh,
praying that, this life completed,
all its fleeting moments past,
by his grace we may be worthy
of eternal bliss at last.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Clairmonte Carroll and Henry Davis

Lector: Nekeisha Allick

Organist/Minister of Music: Dr. Willis L. Barnett

Verger: Nathaniel Lewis

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LENT

The season of Lent—from an Old English word meaning “spring,” the time of lengthening days—spans 40 days from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, excluding Sundays.

Traditionally, this time of year has been a period of solemn preparation, self-examination, and repentance. Remembering the time Jesus spent in the wilderness before beginning his ministry, some Christians adopt Lenten disciplines—giving up an item of food; taking on a prayer, service, or devotional practice; taking a technology fast; or simply setting aside time each day to be present with God and those they love.

Lenten liturgy is characterized by solemnity and simplicity. The Glory to God and the word Alleluia are omitted and will not return until the Great Vigil of Easter. Violet is the color used for vestments during this season, or as we have at St. Philip’s, a Lenten array of red, black, and rough linen fabric. This year we will expand our view of who Jesus is to us and how that view calls us into relationship with the Holy.

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS AT ST. PHILIP'S

Attention: The **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held **today** after the service. You must be present to vote.

Girl Scout Cookies! The Form will be available at back table in the Ruth Little's Parish Hall. Please Fill out the Girl Scouts Cookie Order Form and thank you for your support.

Lent: We will read *Seek And You Will Find* for our Soup and Lenten studies. We will meet in the Ruth E. Little Parish Hall and Zoom each **Thursday** in Lent at 7 pm from February 29 to March 21.

Lenten Forums and Special Sundays During Lent: The Third Sunday in Lent, **Mar. 3rd**, Vestry Commissioning at both services and the ECW Open House following the 10:30 am service; The Fourth Sunday in Lent, **Mar. 10th**, All current and past Girl Scouts are welcome. Coffee Hour Reception in Honor of the Girl Scouts following the 10:30 service; The Fifth Sunday in Lent, **Mar. 17th**, The Rev. Dr. Sarah Kye Price, Vocation Minister, the Diocese of Virginia is the Guest Preacher at both services and we will have a Lenten Forum: Faith Journeys- Discovering and Pursuing God's Call following the 10:30 am service.

Girl Scouts Sunday: We will celebrate our Girl Scouts during the **March 10** at the 10:30 service. If you are a scout (all ages/genders/types of scouts) or an adult leader, we encourage you to wear your uniform that day so we can recognize you.

2024 Wednesday Lenten Series at St. Paul's! You will find more information in "All Things St. Philip's" newsletter or go to <https://www.stpaulsrva.org/> for more information.

Baptism! If you are interested in getting baptized on Saturday at the **Great Easter Vigil, March 20**, you must attend four required baptism classes on February 26, March 4, 11, and 18 at 7pm on Zoom. Contact our office manager Diem, and she will keep you up to date in the process.