

Calvary Episcopal Church
Indian Rocks Beach, FL
“To know Christ and to make Him known”

The First Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2025



Jesus Tempted in the Wilderness (Jésus tenté dans le désert), 1886–1894, James Tissot

10:00 am
Rite II Holy Eucharist



The Rector's Welcome

We are so glad to have you worship with us today. Your presence is a blessing to us.

Since 1962, our congregation has been worshipping in Indian Rocks Beach. By joining us this day, you become part of this vibrant tradition of prayer, praise, and fellowship.

The purpose of Christian worship is to proclaim the redeeming works of God through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord. We do this by proclaiming God's Word through Holy Scripture, praying for the world and ourselves, and, most importantly, gathering around the altar to celebrate the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Our prayer is that you will come to know Christ and, in turn, help make Him known, joining our growing Parish family in this mission.

We are grateful to be in the Sanctuary, worshipping together once more after being displaced by the flooding caused by the hurricane. While the restoration of our space is still in progress, we ask you to look past the unfinished areas, as we continue rebuilding after the damage sustained last September. We celebrate not only God's goodness but also the opportunity to be restored and renewed by the love of Jesus Christ.

May God bless your time with us, and may you feel the power of His redeeming love and embrace.

Yours in Christ,

The Rev. Jon Roberts
Rector, Calvary Episcopal Church

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SUNDAY DONATIONS



The Sunday Customary

An Order of Christian Worship

Supplemental Resources include:

Book of Common Prayer (BCP - Red Book) & **Hymnal** (Blue Book)

Prelude

Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ BWV 639

J.S. Bach

Processional Hymn

Forty days and forty nights

Hymn #150

1. Forty days and forty nights
thou wast fasting in the wild;
forty days and forty nights
tempted, and yet undefiled.

2. Should not we thy sorrow share
and from worldly joys abstain,
fasting with unceasing prayer,
strong with thee to suffer pain?

3. Then if Satan on us press,
Jesus, Savior, hear our call!
Victor in the wilderness,
grant we may not faint or fall!

4. So shall we have peace divine:
holier gladness ours shall be;
round us, too, shall angels shine,
such as ministered to thee.

5. Keep, O keep us, Savior dear,
ever constant by thy side;
that with thee we may appear
at the eternal Eastertide.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

Celebrant: Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: **His mercy endures for ever.**

The Decalogue: Contemporary

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, . . .

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

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Kyrie eleison

Hymn S-91

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

ALmighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

The First Lesson (Deuteronomy 26:1-11)

Reader: A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

WHEN you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 91:102, 9-16

Qui habitat

People: **Antiphon**



He shall call upon me and I shall answer him

Choir:

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,

People: **Antiphon: He shall call upon me, and I shall answer him.**

Choir:

10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

People: Antiphon: **He shall call upon me, and I shall answer him.**

Choir:

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

People: Antiphon: **He shall call upon me, and I shall answer him.**

Choir:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Epistle (Romans 10:8b-13)

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

THE word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame. " For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence*Lord, who throughout these forty days***Hymn #142 (vss. 1-2)**

1. Lord, who throughout these forty days
for us didst fast and pray,
teach us with thee to mourn our sins,
and close by thee to stay.

2. As thou with Satan didst contend
and didst the victory win,
O give us strength in thee to fight,
in thee to conquer sin.

The Holy Gospel

(Luke 4:1-13)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.✠*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

AFTER his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.****Sequence***Lord, who throughout these forty days***Hymn #142 (vss. 3)**

3. As thou didst hunger bear and thirst,
so teach us, gracious Lord,
to die to self, and chiefly live
by thy most holy word.

Sermon

The Rev. Jon Roberts

After the sermon, the people remain seated and observe a brief time of silence.

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 (Form IV)

BCP p. 388

Deacon: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the men and women in our Armed Forces at home and abroad. *Silence*
Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Kenneth Stegeby, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*we invite you to share your intercessions*)

Celebrant:

We pray for those celebrating the anniversary of their birth or marriage this week:
Melanie Blackstock, Linda Moore, Paulette Carr, Marie Ross, Curtis Gackenbach, Elizabeth Krupitza. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

The Peace (*All stand, if able*)

Deacon: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Please exchange the peace with those around you.

Announcements

All Baptized Christians may receive Holy Communion and others are encouraged to receive a Blessing from the priest, especially young children who have not yet made their first Communion. After reception, quietly return to your pew and pray.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Remain seated for the offertory. Oblations and Offerings will be presented at the Doxology.

Offertory Anthem

When Jesus wept the falling tear

William Billings

Doxology

Old 100th – Isaac Watts

Hymn #380 (vs.3)

Please stand and sing as offerings and oblations are brought forward

*All: 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. Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP p. 369

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

People: **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.

People: **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.

People: **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.

People: **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:

Sanctus

Hymn S-129

*All: 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.*

The people may stand, sit or kneel

Celebrant: 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,

People: **We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; 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.

People: **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.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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 Fraction Anthem

Hymn S-153

Celebrant: Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People: There - fore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The people are invited to come forward and receive the Blessed Sacrament at this time, as guided by the Ushers. Return reverently and quietly as you pray about what God has given you.

Communion Hymn

O Food to pilgrims given

Hymn #308

1 O Food to pilgrims given,
O Bread of life from heaven,
O Manna from on high!
We hunger; Lord, supply us,
nor thy delights deny us,
whose hearts to thee draw nigh.

3 O Jesus, by thee bidden,
we here adore thee, hidden
in forms of bread and wine.
Grant, when the veil is riven,
we may behold, in heaven,
thy countenance divine.

2 O stream of love past telling,
O purest fountain, welling
from out the Saviour's side!
We faint with thirst; revive us,
of thine abundance give us,
and all we need provide.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray. Eternal God,

All: heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Processional Hymn

The glory of these forty days

Hymn #143

1. The glory of these forty days
we celebrate with songs of praise;
for Christ, through whom all things were made,
himself has fasted and has prayed.

2. Alone and fasting Moses saw
the loving God who gave the law;
and to Elijah, fasting, came
the steeds and chariots of flame.

3. So Daniel trained his mystic sight,
delivered from the lions' might;
and John, the Bridegroom's friend, became
the herald of Messiah's name.

4. Then grant us, Lord, like them to be
full oft in fast and prayer with thee;
our spirits strengthen with thy grace,
and give us joy to see thy face.

5. O Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
to thee be every prayer addressed,
who art in threefold Name adored,
from age to age, the only Lord.

Postlude

Meditation

Gabriel Johnston

Those present should remain reverent through the playing of this special, concluding music.

Those Serving Today

Celebrant: Fr. Jon Roberts

Deacon: Chad Olson

Music: Gabriel Johnston & Choir

Subdeacon: Bob Angelo

Reader: Denna Shibben

Prayers For Healing, Comfort & Strength

Prayers are maintained on a weekly basis.

Please notify the Office if prayers are requested for members or friends of the Parish.

Members: Rich Deary, Connie Curran, Cynthia Laitinen, Dodie Spahr, Sally Donnor, Steve Hein, Martha Kelley, Marilyn Clark, Kate Veeder, Joy & Sam Sawmiller, Bernd Koester, Brent Blackstock, Kathy Cummings, Michelle & Kali Stegeby.

Members impacted by hurricane Helene: Bob, Cherie & Molly Angelo, Lisa Galish, Gary Spivack & Juliette Clark, Michelle & Kali Stegeby, Patti Brady & Ed Kloskowski, Ron & Pat Chorny, Devi Samaroo, Gordon & Natalia Ross, Chuck Pond, Jennifer & Damon Landry, Dr. Paul & Amy Fisher.

Friends of the Parish: Kathy Deary, Diane Spahr, Dean Spahr, John Robb, Sgt. Billy Gudzak U.S. Army-Ret., Rachel Ballard, Hudson Getreu, Paisley Blaskovich, Hod Hunt, Ray Traver, Karen Renfro, Kathleen Powers, Lauren & Chris Gudzak, Karen Martin, Gerry Heshelman, Joanne Zahn, Bonnie Colletti, Walter Morris.

For those serving in the Military (Active): Thomas Blaskovich (Beals family), Evan Chandler (Athanson family).

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Melanie Blackstock (9), Linda Moore (10), Paulette Carr (10), Marie Ross (11), Curtis Gackenbach (11), Elizabeth Krupitza (14).

Recently Departed: Kenneth Stegeby

If your birthday or anniversary was inadvertently left out, please let us know so we may correct.

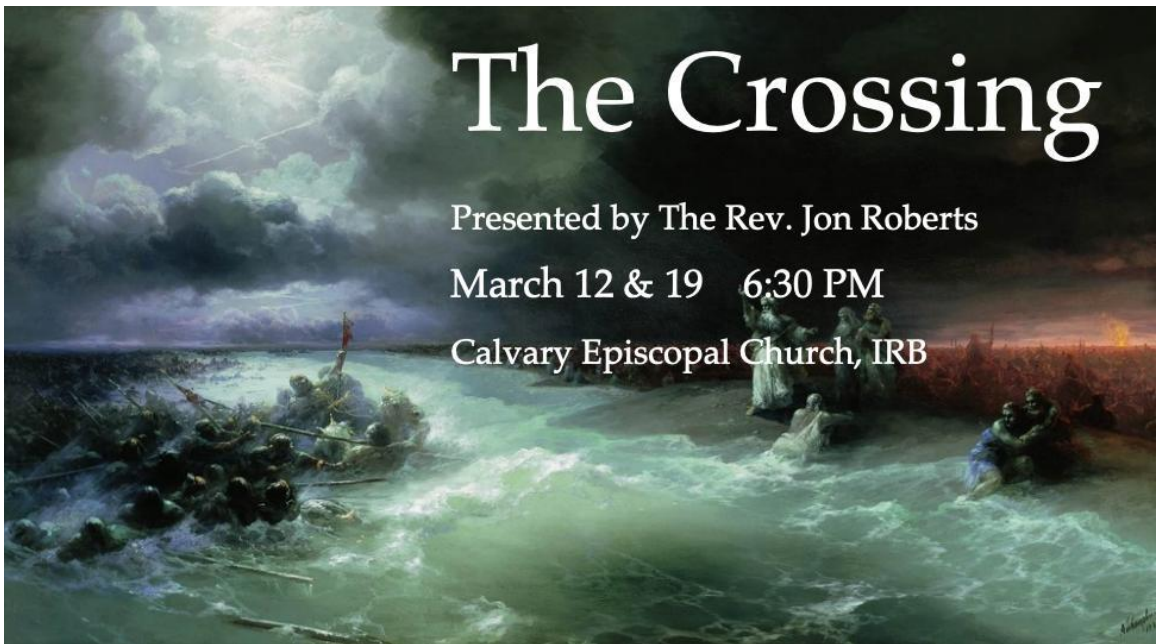
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UPCOMING EVENTS



The Crossing

Presented by The Rev. Jon Roberts

March 12 & 19 6:30 PM

Calvary Episcopal Church, IRB

Fr. Roberts will provide an illustrated course on the Crossing of the Red Sea, by the Israelites as depicted in the Book of Exodus in the Bible. A guide will be provided to all who RSVP.

RSVP PLEASE

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