

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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Our service begins on page 323 in the blue Book of Common Prayer.

THE COLLECT

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 32:7-14

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 51:1-11

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.

5 And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.
6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.
7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.

THE SECOND READING

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant For love of God and love of neighbor, let us pray for the Church and for the World, saying: In the power of the Holy Spirit, fill us with Life.

Following each petition, the people respond

Fill us with Life.

The Celebrant concludes:

Faithful God, you form and fill us with grace and love. Send us forth from this gathering inspired by Jesus Christ, our everlasting Life. **Amen.**

RECEIVING COMMUNION

The Church believes that in Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ is given to God's people and received by faith. All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome here and invited either to participate in Communion or to receive a blessing. To receive the bread, please hold your hands out in front of you. To receive the wine, help guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer, you may dip the bread in the wine and then place it in your mouth. If you do not wish to receive the bread and the wine, you are invited to come forward, cross your hands across your chest, and receive a blessing. **Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.**

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING:

Birthdays in the next week: Pam Popp, Anna Grisi, Brandon Vatter, Cissy Lincoln, Emily Johann, Deanna Thompson, Kieran Rodway, Lynne Lingrel-Partin, Pamela Hackim, Karen Callard, Debb Norman, Karen Raifstanger, Aimee Kemper, Axel Kindel, Adeline Wilson, Anna Mills, Alan Henning, Mark Johnson, Eric Keller.

Anniversaries in the coming week: Abby & Jason Esselen, Lauren & Peter Merten, Cassie & Kurt Palmquist, Amy & Bill Scharffe, Megan Hughes-Johnson & Dave Johnson, Tori & James Roth, Allison & David Pico, Kathleen & Tom Shepard, Catherine & Matt Leopard, Kristen & Lindsay Wetherill.

The **FLOWERS** that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Martha & Alvin Knoll and Ethel & William Lynch by Pat Knoll; and Betty & Tom Alsop by Hobeby & Dave Hinchman.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant & Preacher

The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane

Deacon

The Rev. Gary Lubin

Lector

Russ Morrison

Lay Reader

Missy Darling

Intercessor

Cynthia Walker

Bankers

Dick Adams, Larry Kissel, Betsy Schram (alt.)

Bread Guild

Ryan Andrews, Emily von Allmen, Carol Hesser

Flower Guild

Francie Morrison, Denise Beauchamp, Pam Hackim, Marcia Shortt

Altar Guild

Kelli Wisecup, Adrea Beatty, Judy Frey, Lisa Frey, Julia Joyce, Rachel Votaw

