

St George's Anglican Church
28 February 2021 | 2nd Sunday of Lent
A Service of Light by Zoom

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Hear our voice, O Lord, according to your faithful love,
according to your judgement give us life.

The Blessing of Light

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation,
to you be glory and praise for ever.

In the darkness of our sin you have shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.

Open our eyes to acknowledge your presence,
that freed from the misery of sin and shame
we may grow into your likeness from glory to glory.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

The day is almost over, and the evening has come; let us
pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

You may wish to light a candle at home:

Lord Jesus, think on me,
and purge away my sin;
from earthborn passions set me free,
and make me pure within.

**Lord Jesus, think on me
with many a care opprest;
let me thy loving servant be,
and taste thy promised rest.**

Lord Jesus, think on me,
nor let me go astray;
through darkness and perplexity
point thou the heavenly way.

**Lord Jesus, think on me,
that, when the flood is past,
I may the eternal brightness see,
and share thy joy at last.**

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us
pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your
mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us
free to sing your praise now and for ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 22. 23 - 28

Praise the Lord, you that fear him;

**O seed of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him,
O seed of Israel.**

For he has not despised nor abhorred the suffering of the
poor; neither has he hidden his face from them;
but when they cried to him he heard them.

From you comes my praise in the great congregation;

**I will perform my vows in the presence of those that
fear you.**

The poor shall eat and be satisfied;

**those who seek the Lord shall praise him; their hearts
shall live for ever.**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn
to the Lord,

**and all the families of the nations shall bow
before him.**

For the kingdom is the Lord's

and he rules over the nations.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;

**as it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 17. 1 - 7, 15 - 16

¹When 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. ²And I will make my covenant between
me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' ³Then
Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴'As for me, this is
my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multi-
tude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but
your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor
of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful;
and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you.

⁷I 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. ¹⁵God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you
shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I 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.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Forsake me not, O Lord;
be not far from me, O my God.

Forsake me not, O Lord;

be not far from me, O my God.

Make haste to help me,

O Lord of my salvation.

Be not far from me, O my God.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.

Forsake me not, O Lord;

be not far from me, O my God.

from Psalm 38

Second Reading: Mark 8. 31 - 38

³¹Jesus 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. ³²He said all this quite
openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke
him. ³³But 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.' ³⁴He 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. ³⁵For 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. ³⁶For what will it
profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their
life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?
³⁸Those 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.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Magnificat (Luke 1.46-55)

**Come, let us return to the Lord,
for our God will richly pardon.**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

**From this day all generations will call me
blessed;
the Almighty has done great things for me
and holy is his name.**

He has mercy on those who fear him,
from generation to generation.

**He has shown strength with his arm
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,**

Casting down the mighty from their thrones
and lifting up the lowly.

**He has filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.**

He has come to the aid of his servant Israel,
to remember his promise of mercy,

**The promise made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and his children for ever.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;

**as it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

***Come, let us return to the Lord,
for our God will richly pardon.***

Sermon: Revd Canon Mark Dimond

Intercessions

The Collect for the day

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

The Collect for Light

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;**

thy kingdom come;

thy will be done;

in 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.

The Blessing

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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The Anglican Daily Office:

Monday David, patron of Wales	Psalm 32 Jeremiah 7.21-end	John 6.41-51
Tuesday Chad, bishop, missionary	Psalm 50 Jeremiah 8.1-15	John 6.52-59
Wednesday	Psalm 35 Jeremiah 8.18-9.11	John 6.60-end
Thursday	Psalm 34 Jeremiah 9.12-24	John 7.1-13
Friday	Psalm 41 Jeremiah 10.1-16	John 7.14-24
Saturday	Psalm 25 Jeremiah 10.17-24	John 7.25-36

Anglican Daily Prayer can be found at:

www.churchofengland.org/prayer-worship/join-us-in-daily-prayer

Sunday Services

10.30 Livestream from St George's (see www.stgeorgesberlin.de)

18.00 Evening Prayer via Zoom

This year we have offer Lent Groups meeting by Zoom and
Emmaus Walks. Please send an email to office@stgeorges.de if
you would like to join one!

1. **Looking at the Bible readings for Lent** meet
Thursdays at 19:00
2. **Spiritual Friendship** will meet on Wednesdays (3,
10, 17, and 24 March 2021) at 19:30.
3. **German Saints** meet Tuesdays (23 February, 2
March, 9 March and 16 March) at 19:00.
4. **Emmaus Pastoral Walk** (see website for more info)

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which God has entrusted them. Please prayerfully consider what
portion of your money you can commit to the life of St. George's.
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Next Sunday's readings: Exodus 20. 1 – 17, 1 Corinthians 1.
18 – 25 and John 2. 13 – 22.

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