

St. Philip's Episcopal/Anglican Church
(The Diocese of Long Island)
The Reverend Carver W. Israel, Rector

The Right Reverend Lawrence C. Provenzano, Bishop

Black History Month Celebration



Mission Statement

"The mission of Saint Philip's Church is to be a loving, caring and faithful congregation that is diverse, embracing others and committed to community service."

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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

YEAR B- RITE II

Sunday, February 25, 2018

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith on the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE "Improvisation"

PROCESSIONAL "Siyahamba" Zulu song {sung by the Choir}

ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Creator, Liberator and Sustainer.

People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: Lord, let there be peace among us.

People: Yes, and let us not be instruments of our own oppression.

THE DECALOGUE

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

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

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit murder.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not be a false witness.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God, 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”

Hymnal S 91

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

As with Noah, God makes an everlasting covenant with Abraham and Sarah, God promises this old couple that they will be the ancestors of nations, though they have no child together. God will miraculously bring forth new life from Sarah's old womb. The name changes emphasize the firmness of God's promise.

Lector: A Reading from the Book of Genesis

(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.'

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:22- 30 Deus, Deus meus

- 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.

SECOND READING

Paul presents Abraham as the example for how a person comes into a right relationship with God not through works of the law but through faith. Though Abraham and Sarah were far too old for bearing children, Abraham trusted that God would accomplish what God had promised to accomplish.

Lector: A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans (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.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

GRADUAL “In Christ There Is No East Or West”

LEVAS# 62

THE HOLY GOSPEL

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.

(Gal. 6:14)

After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter’s response indicates that he does not yet understand the ways of the cross that Jesus will travel.

Lector: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark (8:31-38)

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

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.’

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says:

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

MUSIC PRESENTATION:

CHOIR “Deep River” arr. Harry T. Burleigh

Rap solo Kerry Stubbs, tenor

“My God Is So High” arr. Hall Johnson - Claire Nicholls, soprano

“There'll Be Peace In The Valley For Me” Thomas Dorsey

-Monica Sylvester, contralto

“Joshua fit the Battle of Jericho” - Solomon Leibowitz, bass

“I Want Jesus To Walk With Me” arr. Jean Stor -Audrey Miller-Sydney,
soprano

“Lord, How Come Me Here” Marvin Lowe, bass-baritone

“Ride On, King Jesus” arr. Hall Johnson - Diane Johnson, soprano

CHOIR “ In That Great Gittin' Up Mornin'” Jester Hairston- Kerry Stubbs, tenor

DANCE RECITAL Acharo Smith – Residence Teacher of Abundance Academy

THE NICENE CREED

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We believe in one God, the Father, 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, one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of 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 and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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

Lector: Lord, while we wait for your coming, we must admit truthfully that we fail you and our brothers and sisters. So, we wait.

All: **LIKE A DRY LAND WITHOUT WATER, MY SOUL THIRSTS FOR YOU, MY GOD.**

Lector: While we foolishly weaken our family life, the basic building block for our people, by immoral abortion, divorce, separation, perversion, and materialism, it is obvious that our liberation and salvation is not complete - So, we wait.

ALL: **LIKE A DRY LAND WITHOUT WATER, MY SOUL THIRSTS FOR YOU, MY GOD.**

Lector: While we poison our minds and bodies with alcohol, drug, pornography and obscenity, it is obvious that we will remain slaves - So, we wait.

ALL: **LIKE A DRY LAND WITHOUT WATER, MY SOUL THIRSTS FOR YOU, MY GOD.**

Lector: While we sit back and watch our sisters and brothers in need, and do little or nothing to help them: while we remain separated, and refuse to maintain our community with brothers and sisters, making their problems our problems and joining to solve them together, it is obvious that our liberation and salvation is not complete so still slaves - we wait.

ALL: **LIKE A DRY LAND WITHOUT WATER, MY SOUL THIRSTS FOR YOU, MY GOD.**

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord for those who at this time, celebrate, and remember significant personal events; that we, with them, may acknowledge God's never-failing goodness. Let us pray especially for... those having birthdays... those having anniversaries... other events of thanksgiving and praise. Let us pray to the Lord for all who in this present life are in danger, trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity; that they may have comfort and relief, according to their necessities.

Let us pray especially for N...

V: O LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

R: And let our cry come unto you.

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord for all the faithful now departed (and especially for N...

ALL: THAT THEY MAY BE GRANTED MERCY, LIGHT AND PEACE. TO YOU BE HONOR, GLORY AND DOMINION, NOW AND FOREVER.

AMEN

THE GREETING OF PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

OFFERTORY *"Ain't a that good news* *arr. William E. Dawson*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

Celebrant: Almighty God, we give you thanks for who we are. And we give thanks to you for giving us the sight to see a movement. A movement which cannot be stopped by all the forces of oppression. We give you thanks for Absalom Jones, who with Richard Allen just out of the bondage of slavery, led their people to

common benevolence and morality, and built churches to express their religious independence. They in no uncertain terms pleaded for a church of equality, freedom, and liberation for their black brothers and sisters in the racist society of Philadelphia in the 1790's. We give you thanks for setting an unshakable example of what it means to be fully human in your son Jesus Christ. You showed us that to be fully human means: we can never be satisfied as long as one person is not free, for then, no person is free. You showed us that we must fight for freedom, and that we can't let nothing or no one "turn us around".

People: Thank you Lord for revealing the truth to us.

Celebrant: And so we stand together, united in love, and lift our hands toward the heavens in salute to God who made a people Black, proud and beautiful.

SANCTUS

HYMNAL#S130

Celebrant: Lord, we pray that we may never again lose sight of who we are, and what our purpose is in life. We pray that we may develop an undying love for others and ourselves; for it is only through love that we will mature as a people. Such a love demands that we fight oppression, challenge racism, and be vigilant against all injustices.

We pray that we may channel our knowledge of Marcus, Malcolm, Martin, Jesus, and all the great revolutionaries of our time, into works that bear the fruits of justice and equity.

And Lord, we pray that we lose our weak desire to be safe and comfortable, for no one is safe and comfortable as long as there is oppression.

People: **LORD, AS WE OFFER YOU THIS BREAD AND WINE, WE OFFER OURSELVES TO YOUR SERVICE AND TO OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS. TAKE OUR BREAD, TAKE OUR WINE, TAKE OUR LIVES, AND USE THEM TO BRING ABOUT THE LIBERATION OF YOUR PEOPLE.**

Celebrant: On the night Jesus was crucified He took bread, and when he had given thanks, He broke the bread, gave it to His people saying, take this bread and eat it. **THIS IS MY BODY** which is given for your salvation and liberation.

Then He took some wine, gave thanks, and again He said to His people take this wine and drink it. **THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD** which is given for your salvation and liberation.

PRAYER: (PROPER PREFACES TO BE USED)

Father, we pray that each of us through your body and blood will find the courage to lay down our lives for justice. We remember all of our brothers and sisters who already have died for our people.

We remember brother Martin.

A man who had all the resources to live a comfortable and safe life; but chose instead to live out his convictions, and as a result was assassinated.

We remember brother Malcolm

A man who was dealing with the problem when many of us were still denying that there was a problem.

We remember the countless brothers and sisters who stood up and proclaimed their human dignity in Philadelphia, Memphis, New York, Watts, Newark, New Orleans, Chicago, and other cities around the country, and on your college campuses.

We remember our Sister Angela who was in prison. A beautiful Black woman who, like Martin, had all the qualifications to make it safely in the white man's world. But who instead refused to settle, and for this was jailed.

We remember ...

People:

(said or sung)

Jesus Christ has died

Jesus Christ has risen

Jesus Christ will come again.

Celebrant:

Lord God, we know it is your will to have all people of every race, creed, and color live together in peace and harmony. But we know the new Jerusalem is not here yet. And in fact, we are still a long way from it. So we're going to end this prayer; for already we have talked too long. Jesus taught us that a good part of prayer - *answer* - is getting off our knees and dealing with that which needs to be dealt with, **NOW**.

People:

And so, we pray with Him - (sung)

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name;
 Give us this day our daily bread;
 Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
 Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power, and the Glory, for ever and ever Amen.

THE FRACTION

HYMNAL#S152

AGNUS DEI

HYMNAL#S164

COMMUNION HYMN "Every Time I feel The Spirit"
 "Steal Away"
 "There Is A Balm"

LEVAS#114
 LEVAS#103
 LEVAS#203

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Thanksgiving is only real if it is accompanied by action.

People: AMEN, to the body and blood which you give to us.
 AMEN, to the revolutionary ideas you give us.
 AMEN, to the action we must now participate in, to free our people, and
 AMEN, to the power that you give to the people;
 For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever!
 AMEN.

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RECESSIONAL

“I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”
“Lift Ev'ry Voice And Sing” {verse 1 only}

LEVAS#105
LEVAS#1

DISMISSAL

Celebrant:
People:-

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Pan Pipes” played by Sheryl Shell



TODAY'S LAY LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

		<u>Old</u> <u>Testament</u>	<u>Psalm</u>	<u>New</u> <u>Testament</u>	<u>Prayers</u>
LECTORS:	9:30am	Solomon Leibowitz	Choir	Evelyn Rainford	Tracy Glover

L.E.M:	9:30am	Cheryl deBarros	Tracy Glover	Adrienne Jackson	
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ACOLYTES: 9:30am **M.C.:** Corey Adams
Crucifer: Anthony Harden
Torch Bearers: Tracy Glover & Adrienne Jackson
Gospel Book: Corey Adams

USHERS 9:30am The B.O.S.A., Charles Foster, Thurman Ransom, Jr., Peter Holmes, Lenton Clemmons, Ormond Smith, Irving Scott, Graham Yarde.

NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSONS: Mar.04 (Third Sunday in Lent); YEAR B

Collect 167; Exodus20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1Corinth. 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer



St. John's, Park Slope, Brooklyn	February 25
St. Luke and St. Matthew, Brooklyn	February 26
St. Bartholomew's, Brooklyn	February 27
Le Saint Nom de Jesus, Brooklyn	February 28
St. Mark's, Brooklyn	March 01
St. Mary's, Brooklyn	March 02
St. Paul's, Carroll Street, Brooklyn	March 03





“A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL SATISFACTION”

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BREAD AND WINE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

- ♥ Given by the Glover family in loving memory of the birthdays of Alma Walkes-Gilbert (2/3), Dennis Gripper (2/15), Sophie Walkes (2/26), Pearl Glover Cooper (2/26), and Adele Trapp (2/26).
- ♥ Given by the Glover family in Thanksgiving for the birthdays of Ivette Ifield (2/3), Michael Wilfred Daugherty (2/9), Reginald Glover (2/9), Niashia Southerland (2/9), Carol Simpson (2/11), Carole Jenkins (2/11), Peter Holmes (2/15), Daniel Bailey (2/19), Darryl Williams (2/22), and Robert Price (2/26).
- ♥ Given by Ingrid Williams Drakes in memory of My Dear Mother Violet Williams and My Dear Son George Anderson Drakes Jnr.

SANCTUARY LIGHTS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

- ♥ Given by Dorothy Drakes in loving memory of Ronald Atherley on his 22nd birthday in Heaven.
- ♥ Given by Ingrid Williams Drakes in memory of My Dear Mother Violet Williams and My Dear Son George Anderson Drakes Jnr.

BIRTHDAY OFFERINGS

- ♥ Given by Joan Tross and Steven E. Harriss

REGULAR MEETING CALENDAR

VESTRY	2 nd Monday	6:30PM
ACOLYTYES	2 nd Sunday	11:30AM
<i>(Except July & Aug.)</i>		
ST. PHILIP'S CHOIR REHEARSAL	Sundays	12:00PM
ARCHIVES COMMITTEE	4 th Wednesday	12:00 Noon
B.O.S.A.	1 st Saturday	9:00AM
BIBLE STUDY	Sundays	8:15AM
BOY SCOUTS	Tuesdays	6:30PM
BUDGET & FINANCE	Last Tuesday	6:00PM
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	2 nd Tuesday	4:00PM
E.C.W.	3 rd Sunday	12:15PM
GIRL SCOUTS	Saturdays	1:00PM
HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL (HBC)	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays	6:00PM
PASTORAL CARE	2 nd Sunday*	11:30AM
EVANGELISM COMMITTEE	2 nd Sunday++	
PROPERTY	1 st Wednesday	7:00PM
S.T.A.N.D. Youth & Young Adult Ministry	1 st Sunday	12:00PM
ST. PHILIP'S BOOK CLUB	4 th Saturday	4:30PM
VACATION COMMITTEE	2 nd Sunday	11:30AM
WALKING CLUB	Saturdays**	9:00AM **(May-Nov)
STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE	2 Nd Sunday	9:00 am
WOMEN'S GUILD	1 st Sunday	11:30AM
WORSHIP COMMITTEE	4 th Sunday	TBD
UNION OF BLACK EPISCOPALIANS	3 rd Saturday***	12:00PM
***(Except Dec., Apr., July & Aug.)		
USHER COMMITTEE	4 th Sunday****	11:30AM
****(Mar., Jun., Sept. & Dec.) *(Except July & Aug.) ++Every other month		

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Senior Warden		Mr. Lester Beck	2021
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