

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Celebration of Mass

February 22, 2026

First Sunday of Lent



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Introductory Rite

Gathering Song

Reckless Love by Cory Asbury, Caleb Culver, Ran Jackson (© 2017 Cory Asbury Publishing)

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me. You have been so, so good to me. Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me. You have been so, so kind to me.

(Chorus): O, the overwhelming, neverending, reckless love of God. O, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine. I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still You give Yourself away. O, the overwhelming, neverending, reckless love of God.

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me. You have been so, so good to me. When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me. You have been so, so kind to me. **(Chorus)**

Introductory Rite

Greeting

Penitential Act: Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

-OR-

Lord have Mercy,

Christ have Mercy,

Lord have Mercy

Liturgy of the Word

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Profession of Faith: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation Song

Clean Heart by Austin Johnson, Bryan Torwalt, Hank Bentley, Katie Torwalt (© Capitol CMG Genesis)

For the times that I've misused Your name and leveraged it for my own fame.
For the kingdoms I've been building on my own. For the times I chose to
play it safe. When You said give it all away. For the idols that I've let into my
home.

(Chorus): **Create in me a clean heart God. And renew a right spirit. And
renew a right spirit within me.**

For the times I chose the counterfeit, dismissed Your voice like Jonah did.
When I leaned into fear instead of faith. For the narrow path I didn't take.
When I fell short in my own strength. You said look and I just looked away.
Well I'm looking now.

Bridge: The kindness of God it leads to repentance. The arms of a
Father are full of forgiveness. You gave me a clean heart. A place where
Your glory can rest. You made me a temple. A place where Your presence can
live. **(Chorus)**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Acclamations

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. 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.

Memorial Acclamations

1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.
Or-
2. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again. *Or-*
3. Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Great Amen

Our Father

Lamb of God Litany

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.

Communion Song No. 1

Taste and See (The Love of Christ) by Bryan Fowler, Matt Maher(© 2025 Getty Music Publishing)

Son of God and Son of man. Word enveloped in our skin. Known in all ways but our sin. Savior, we remember. Walked the way of suffering. A cross that cost Him everything. What could match His offering? Praise His name forever.

(Chorus): **Come to the altar. Feast without price. Drink from the blessing cup. Break the bread of life. In Him we live and never die. Taste and see the love of Christ.**

Buried in a darkened grave. Resurrected in three days. Reigning on the throne of grace. Savior, we remember. He will come upon the clouds. Soon with mighty trumpet sounds. Every knee on Earth will bow. Praise His name forever. **(Chorus)**

Bridge: How marvelous. How wonderful and my song shall ever be. How marvelous. How wonderful is my Savior's love for me. **(Chorus)**

Communion Song No. 2

His Mercy is More by Matt Papa, Matt Boswell (©2016 Getty Music Hymns and Songs)

(Chorus): Praise the Lord. His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new every morn. Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What love could remember no wrongs we have done. Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum. Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore. Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. **(Chorus)**

What patience would wait as we constantly roam? What Father so tender is calling us home. He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor. Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. **(Chorus)**

What riches of kindness He lavished on us. His blood was the payment. His life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford. Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. **(Chorus)**

Communion Song No. 3

Open Space by Kirby Kaple, Rob Kaple (©2017 Kaple Music)

Pull me in closer, close to Your heart. May I be a pure reflection of all You are. Love that is patient, love that is kind. A love that keeps no offenses or wrongs in mind. Make me like Jesus, make me like Jesus.

(Chorus): **My heart is an open space for You to come and have Your way. I'm open. I'm open.**

You're faithful to find me right where I am. Even in my wandering, You call me friend. Mercy receives me and lifts me to my feet. And I'm caught up in the wonder and mystery. Of knowing Jesus, of knowing Jesus. **(Chorus)**

Bridge: Do whatever You want to do. Say whatever You want to say. Move however You want to move. Change whatever You want to change. **(Chorus)**

Concluding Rite

Sending Song

Revive Us Again (Psalm 44)

Adam Daniel Westlake, Britton Hardcastle, Caleb Savari, Caterina Pilo (© More Songs from Wellhouse)

Lord we have heard all of Your ways. How You walked with Your people and guided them all of their days. You opened the sea. You gave them a home. You fought for Your children. You saved them. You made them Your own.

Chorus: Revive us again. Revive us again. And pour out Your steadfast love. Reach out Your hand. Reach out Your hand. For Your power is more than enough. Our Savior and Friend revive us again.

Lord we have seen the nails in Your hands. How You opened the grave with a power we can't comprehend. Your Spirit our help. Your word is our light. We long for Your presence and power to be by Your side.

(Chorus)

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