

# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



*The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

March 26, 2023

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**W**E are a diverse community united by our commitment to Jesus Christ and our desire to live the Christian life. Our prayers and the Sacraments help us find Christ in church and in the world. Seeing Christ in each other and in the faces of strangers, we are inspired to reach out in love and service.

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**W**ELCOME to all who are joining with us virtually as we celebrate *THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT*. We hope you feel at home with us and that you find the love, peace, inspiration, and strength to meet the challenges of your daily life.

We hope that you will take part in our worship by making the Peoples' responses as indicated and joining in the hymn-singing.

If you would like more information about Grace Church, or the Episcopal Church, please communicate with our Rector, The Rev. Rowena Kemp, or make an appointment with her to discuss any questions you have.



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## *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

March 26, 2023

Solemn High Mass, 10:30 A.M.

Propers of Year A

Mass Setting: *Missa Passionis Christi*

Arthur Wills (d. 2020)

*This setting of the Ordinary of the Mass will be sung by the choir.*

Voluntary: *O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig*

Johann Sebastian Bach (d. 1750)

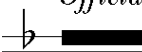
### The Great Litany in Procession

*The congregation joins in singing the responses of the Litany with the choir.*

<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>
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O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,	Have mer - cy up - on us.
<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>
b	
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,	Have mer - cy up - on us.
<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>
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O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful,	Have mer - cy up - on us.
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O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,	Have mer - cy up - on us.

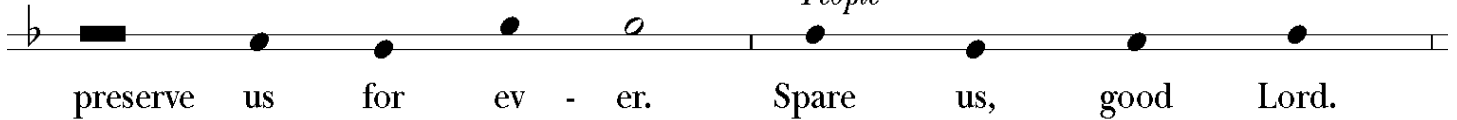


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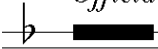
Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

*People*

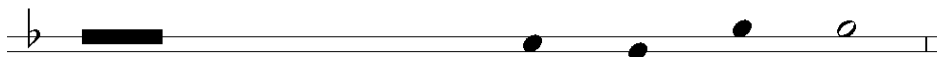


preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

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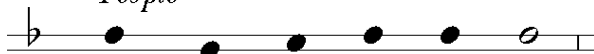


From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the



devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,

*People*



Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

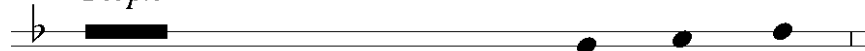
In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*



We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,

*People*



We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show it accordingly,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind into thy kingdom,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom upon all peoples,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all may enjoy them,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the common good,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or torn by strife,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing and infirm,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all the saints, we may attain to thy heavenly kingdom,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

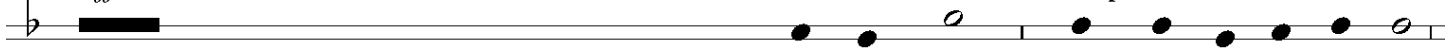


*Officiant* Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

*People* Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

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*People*

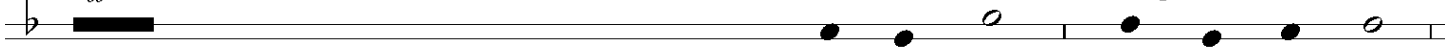


O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.

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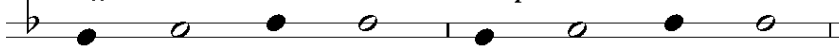
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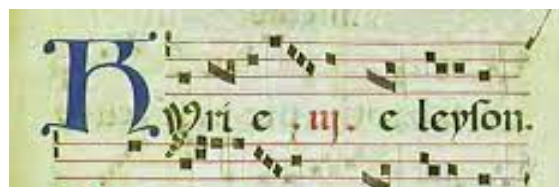
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

*Officiant*

*People*



O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.



Kyrie eleison (*choir*)

A. Wills

**K**YRIE eleison. Christ eleison. Kyrie eleison.  
[Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy]



## The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**O** ALMIGHTY GOD, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 37: 1-14 [NRSV]

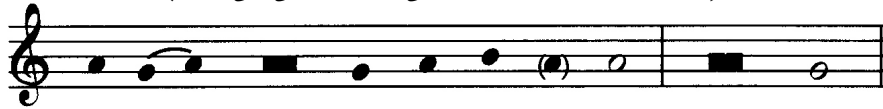
A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

**T**HE HAND of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O LORD GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the LORD GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the LORD GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the LORD GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

*People's Response:* Thanks be to God.





- 1 OUT OF the deep have I callèd unto | thee O LORD;  
\* *Lord hear my / voice.*
- 2 *O let thine ears con- / sider well*  
\* *the voice of my com- / plaint.*
- 3 If thou LORD wilt be extreme to mark what is | done amiss,  
\* O Lord, who may abide | it?
- 4 *For there is mer- / cy with thee;*  
\* *therefore shalt thou be fear- / ed.*
- 5 I look for the LORD; my | soul doth wait for ^ him;  
\* in his word is my | trust.
- 6 *My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the / morning watch;*  
\* *I say before the morning / watch.*
- 7 O Israel trust in the LORD; for with the LORD | there is mercy,  
\* and with him is plenteous redemp- | tion.
- 8 *And he shall / redeem Isra^el*  
\* *from all his / sins.*



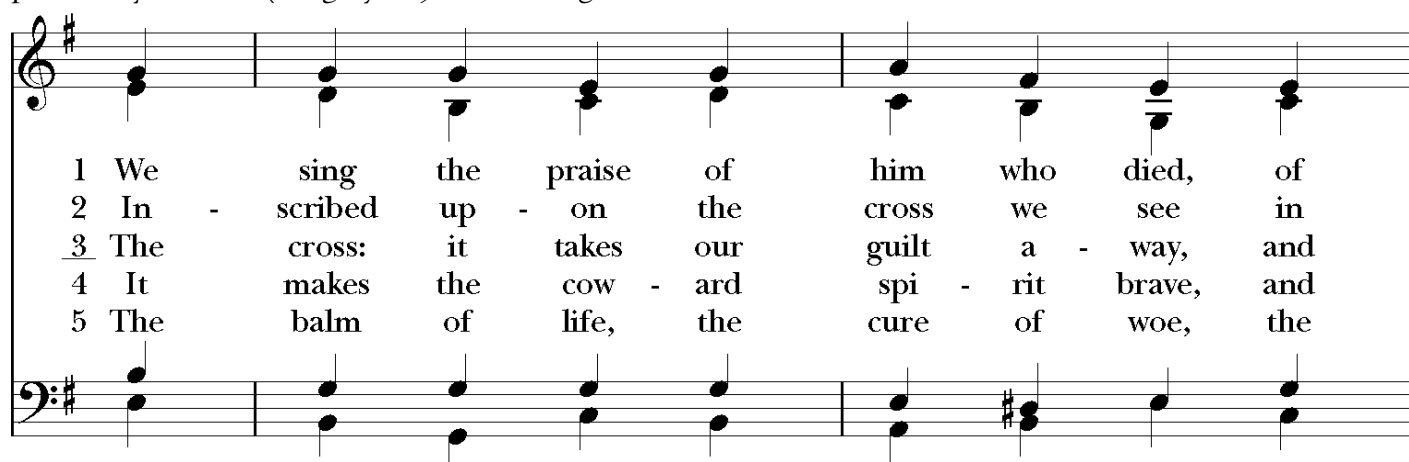
The Epistle: Romans 8: 6-II [NRSV]

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

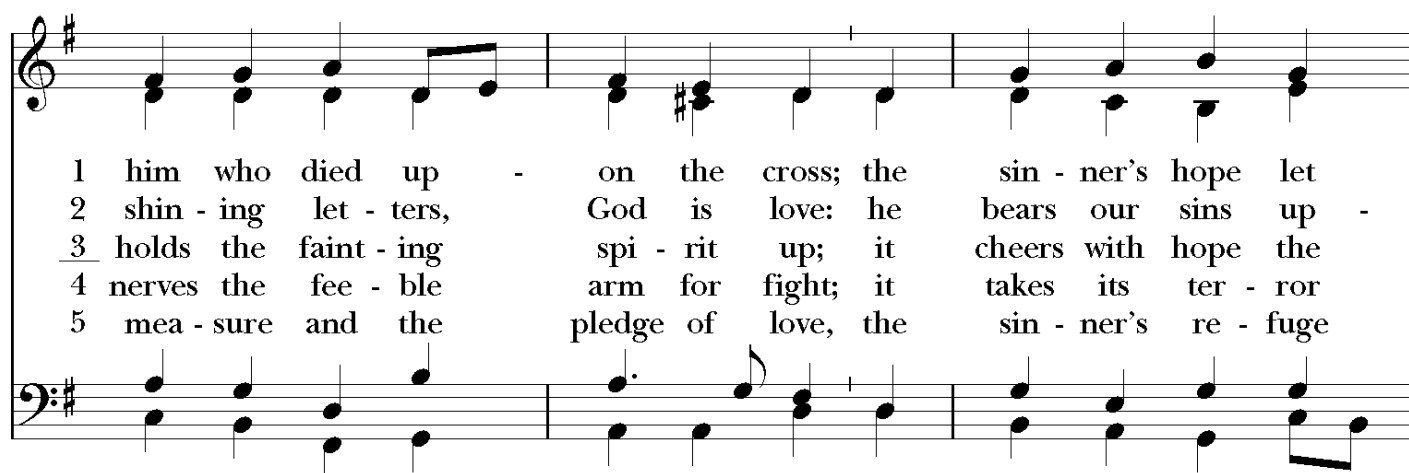
**T**O set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law — indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

*People's Response:* Thanks be to God.



1 We sing the praise of him who died, of  
 2 In - scribed up - on the cross we see in  
 3 The cross: it takes our guilt a - way, and  
 4 It makes the cow - ard spi - rit brave, and  
 5 The balm of life, the cure of woe, the



1 him who died up - on the cross; the sin - ner's hope let  
 2 shin - ing let - ters, God is love: he bears our sins up -  
 3 holds the faint - ing spi - rit up; it cheers with hope the  
 4 nerves the fee - ble arm for fight; it takes its ter - ror  
 5 mea - sure and the pledge of love, the sin - ner's re - fuge



1 sin de - ride: for this we count the world but loss.  
 2 on the tree: he brings us mer - cy from a - bove.  
 3 gloom - y day, and sweet - ens ev - ery bit - ter cup.  
 4 from the grave, and gilds the bed of death with light.  
 5 here be - low, the an - gels' theme in heaven a - bove.



The Holy Gospel: St. John II: 1-45 [RSV]

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

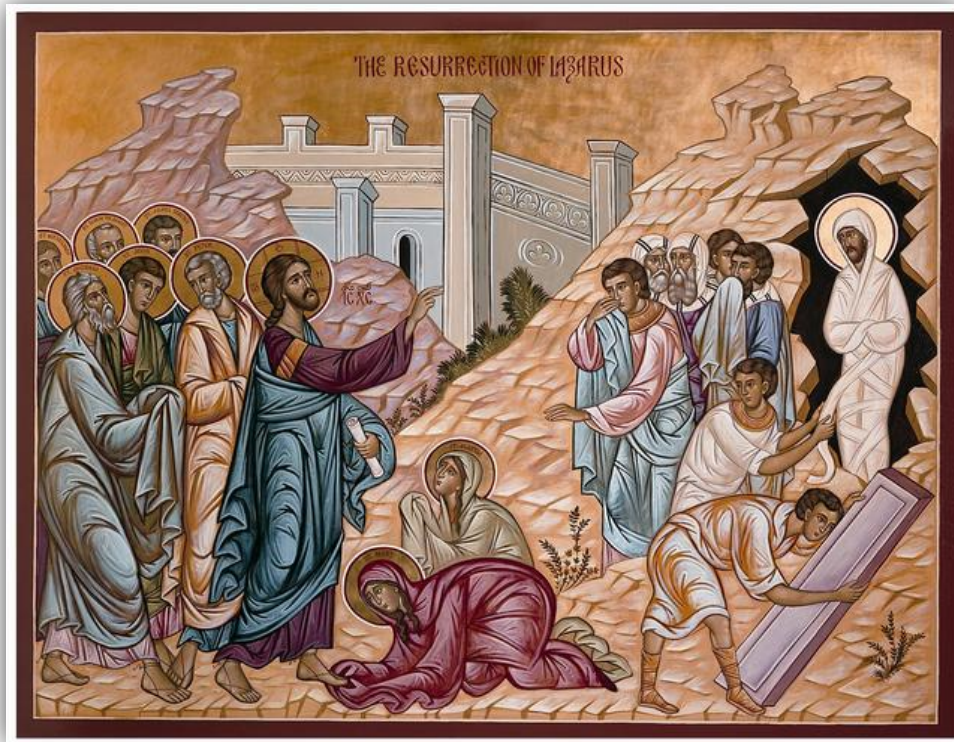
*People's response:* ✠ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

NOW a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness is not unto death; it is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by means of it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go into Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were but now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any one walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if any one walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." Thus he spoke, and then he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awake him out of sleep." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead; and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary sat in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. And even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, he who is coming into the world." When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying quietly, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. Then Mary, when she came where Jesus was and saw him, fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled; and he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb; it was a cave, and a stone lay upon it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. I knew that thou hearest me always, but I have said this on account of the people standing by, that they may believe that thou didst send me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with bandages, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People's Response:* Praise be to thee, O Christ.





The Sermon

Mr. Chuck Sharp, *Vocational Deacon Intern*

The Nicene Creed (*sung by all*)

I be- lieve in one God, the Fa- ther Al- mighty-y, Ma- ker of hea- ven and earth;  
 and of all things vi- si- ble and in- vi- si- ble; and in one Lord Je- sus Christ,  
 the on- ly- be- got- ten Son of God, be- got- ten of his Fa- ther be- fore all worlds,  
 God of God, Light of Light, ve- ry God of ve- ry God, be- got- ten, not made,  
 be- ing of one sub- stance with the Fa- ther; by whom all things were made;  
 who for us men and for our sal- va- tion came down from hea- ven,  
 (kneel) and was in- car- nate by the Ho- ly Ghost of the Vir- gin Ma- ry, and was made man;

(stand) and was cru- ci- fi- ed al- so for us un- der Pon- tius Pi- late;  
 he suf- fer- ed and was bu- ri- ed; and the third day he rose a- gain  
 ac- cor- ding to the Scrip- tures, and as- cend- ed in- to hea- ven, and sit- teth on the  
 right hand of the Fa- ther; and he shall come a- gain, with glo- ry, to judge both  
 the quick and the dead; whose king- dom shall have no end. And I be- lieve in the  
 Ho- ly Ghost the Lord, and Gi- ver of Life, who pro- ceed- eth from the Fa- ther and the Son;  
 who with the Fa- ther and the Son to- ge- ther is wor- shipp'd and glo- ri- fi- ed;  
 who spake by the Pro- phets. And I be- lieve one ho- ly Cath- o- lic and A- po- sto-  
 lic Church; I ac- know- ledge one Bap- tism for the re- mis- sion of sins: and I look for  
 the re- sur- rec- tion of the dead,\* and the life of the world to come. A- - - men.

*The Prayers of the People and the Confession are omitted when the Great Litany is said.*

The Peace

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

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.*





## The Holy Communion

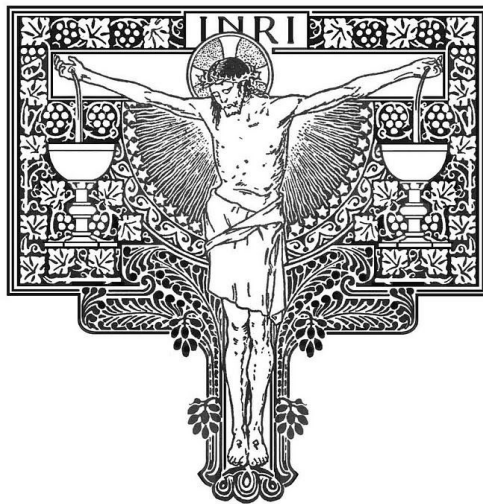
Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant:* Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalm 50: 14*

Offertory (*choir*) *Confitebor tibi*

Mode I

**I** will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart. Deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word. O quicken thou me, according unto thy word, O Lord.



Motet (*choir*)

Tomás Luis da Victoria (d. 1611)

**V**ERE languores nostros ipse tulit, et dolores nostros ipse portavit: cuius livore sanati sumus. Dulce lignum, dulces clavos, dulcia ferens pondera, quae sola fuisti digna sustinere Regem coelorum, et Dominum.

[Surely he hath born our griefs and carried our sorrows: by his stripes we are healed. Sweetest wood and sweetest iron, sweetest weight is hung on thee, thou that alone was worthy to bear him who is the King of heaven, and the Lord.]

Presentation of the alms and oblations

*Celebrant:* All things come of thee, O Lord,

*People:* And of thine own have we given thee.

Orate

*Celebrant:* Pray that this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

*People:* May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his holy Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.



Sursum corda

*Celebrant* *People*  
The Lord be with you. And with thy spi- rit.

*Celebrant* *People*  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un-to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks un- to our Lord God.

*People*  
It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant says,

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

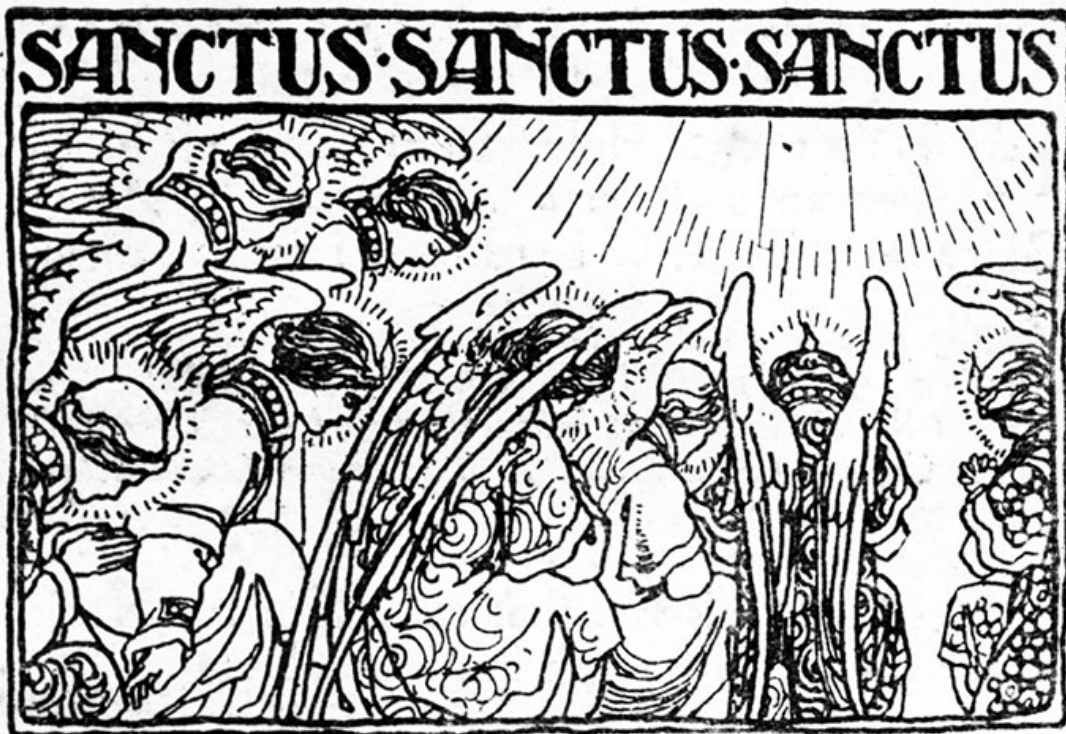
**T**HROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over ever evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus and Benedictus (*choir*)

A. Wills

**H**OLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. ✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



The Consecration

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender Mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ✠

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." ✠

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, ✠ be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

BY whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People*

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A- men.

The Lord's Prayer (*sung by all*)

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

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be thy Name,  
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea-ven.  
Give us this day our dai-ly bread. And for-give us our tres-pas-ses,  
as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us. And lead us not in-to  
temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil. For thine is the king-dom,  
and the power, and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

The Fraction

*Celebrant*  
Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us.  
*People*  
There-fore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (*choir*)

A. Wills

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access (*said by all*)

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation to Communion

*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.

*People:* Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Proper (*choir*) *Videns Dominus*

Mode I

WHEN the Lord saw the sister of Lazarus weeping at the tomb, he wept before the Jews, and cried out: "Lazarus, come forth." And he came forth bound hand and foot with grave-clothes, who for four days had been dead.



Prayer of Spiritual Communion (*said by those worshipping virtually*)

*IN UNION, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.*

Hymn 313 (*sung by all*)

"Let thy Blood in mercy poured"

*Jesus, meine Zuversicht*

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious  
2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou  
3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound  
4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,  
cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give  
and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now  
tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

*Refrain*  
of thy bound-less love the to - ken.  
Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -  
claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.  
of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.



Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*People:* Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these Holy Mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical Body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

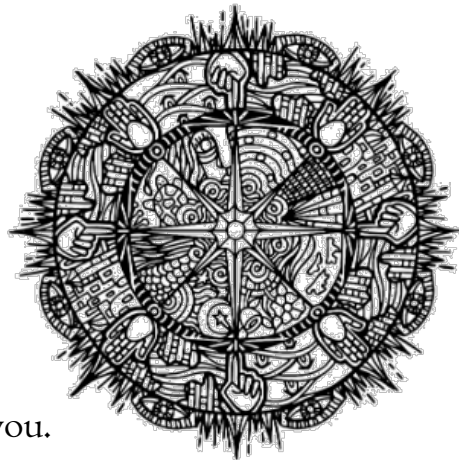
The Blessing

THE BLESSING OF GOD ALMIGHTY, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*The People respond:* Thanks be to God.



The Last Gospel

St. John I:I-I4

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant:* The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John.

*People:* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN THE BEGINNING was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in the darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. (*Here genuflect*) And the Word was made flesh, (*Here rise*) and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**A**ve Regina caelorum, Ave Domina Angelorum. Salve radix, salve porta, ex qua Amundo lux est orta. Gaude Virgo gloriosa, super omnes speciosa. Vale, o valde decora, et pro nobis Christum exora.

[Hail, O Queen of heaven, Hail, O Lady of Angels. Hail! thou root, hail! thou gate, from whom unto the world a light has risen. Rejoice, O glorious Virgin, lovely beyond all others. Farewell, most beautiful maiden, and pray for us to Christ.]



### The Angelus

*Celebrant:* The Angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.

*People:* And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

*Celebrant:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

*People:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

*Celebrant:* Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

*People:* Be it unto me according to thy word.

*Celebrant:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

*People:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

(*Here genuflect*) *Celebrant:* And the Word was made flesh.

(*Here rise*) *People:* And dwelt among us.

*Celebrant:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

*People:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

*Celebrant:* Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

*People:* That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**W**E beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal  
 2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee  
 3 We read thee best in him who came to bear for  
 4 We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the



and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -  
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -  
 us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on  
 dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion



bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.  
 low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.  
 high, our life to live, our death to die.  
 light we read the full - ness of thy might.

Voluntary: *Vater unser in Himmelreich*

Johann Sebastian Bach (d. 1750)



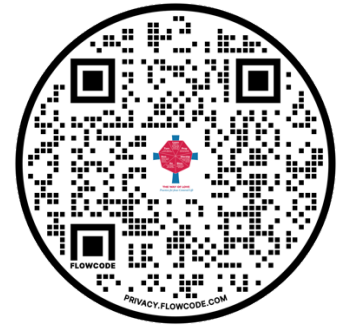


## BULLETIN INSERTS

**March 26, 2023 – Lent 5 (A)**

**Week 5: Life Transformed – The Way of Love in Lent**

The journey through Lent into Easter is a journey with Jesus. We are baptized into his life, self-giving, and death; then, we rise in hope to life transformed. This Lent, communities are invited to walk with Jesus in his Way of Love and into the experience of transformed life. Together, we will reflect anew on the loving actions of God as recounted in the Easter Vigil readings. Together, we will walk through the depths of salvation history into the fullness of redemption. Throughout Lent, come along with us as we explore *Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent*, produced by Hillary Raining and Jenifer Gamber. You can find resources mentioned below at [iam.ec/lifetransformed](http://iam.ec/lifetransformed) or by scanning the QR code to the right.



### Week 5

**Sunday, March 26**

*Today's Practice:* Watch the Rev. Dr. Hillary Raining's video at [iam.ec/lifetransformed](http://iam.ec/lifetransformed) for Week 5. The topic is based on the practice "Rest" and is titled, "The Valley of Dry Bones".

*Read:* Ezekiel 37:1-14

**Monday, March 27**

*Today's Prompt:* What seminal moments have informed a need to return to Christ?

*Read:* "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." - Psalm 51:10

**Tuesday, March 28**

*Today's Prompt:* How has this Way with God impacted your experience of God?

*Read:* "Let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" - John 7:38

**Wednesday, March 29**

*Today's Prompt:* Slowly read this passage aloud. How does this speak to the world today?

*Read:* "As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their

nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him." - Matthew 4:18-22

**Thursday, March 30**

*Today's Prompt:* What relationships do you need to mend?

*Read:* "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." - Isaiah 55:8-9

**Friday, March 31**

*Today's Prompt:* Where might God be asking you to take your great love into the world?

*Read:* "You have heard; now see all this; and will you not declare it? From this time forward I make you hear new things, hidden things that you have not known." - Isaiah 48:6b

**Saturday, April 1**

*Today's Prompt:* What are you thankful for?

*Read:* "For we are aliens and transients before you, as were all our ancestors; our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no hope." - 1 Chronicles 29:15

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# HOLY WEEK & EASTER AT GRACE

## CALENDAR OF MASSES AND ACTIVITIES



### **Palm Sunday, April 2 ~ Sunday of the Passion**

Distribution of palms and Reading of the **PASSION ACCORDING TO MATTHEW** at both services

**8:00 AM:** LOW MASS

**10:30 AM:** Gather on the Grace Street porch

Blessing of the palms and procession (weather permitting)

SOLEMN HIGH MASS *(also on Facebook Live)*

### **Monday in Holy Week, April 3**

**7:30 AM:** Facebook Live Morning Prayer

**6:00 PM:** Facebook Live Evening Prayer

### **Tuesday in Holy Week, April 4**

**7:30 AM:** Facebook Live Morning Prayer

**6:00 PM:** Facebook Live Evening Prayer

### **Wednesday in Holy Week, April 5**

**9:15 AM:** Low Mass *(also on Facebook Live)*, followed by breakfast at Effie's

**6:00 PM:** Facebook Live Evening Prayer

**7:00 PM:** Choir Rehearsal

### **Maundy Thursday, April 6**

**10:00 AM:** "A Place of Grace" food distribution

**6:00 PM:** SOLEMN HIGH MASS *(also on Facebook Live)*

Stripping of the Altar and Night Watch in the Chapel of Repose follow

*(Please sign up for your half-hour or more of devotion)*

### **Good Friday, April 7**

**12:00 NOON:** GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY, VENERATION OF THE CROSS, & MASS OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED *(also on Facebook Live)*

**2:00 pm:** Choir Rehearsal

**1:30-2:30 PM:** Confession (Reconciliation of a Penitent) available

*(Please make an appointment for confession with Rev. Rowena)*

**6:00 PM:** STATIONS OF THE CROSS *(also on Facebook Live)*

### **Saturday in Holy Week, April 8**

**10:00 AM:** PROPER LITURGY FOR HOLY SATURDAY *(also on Facebook Live)*

### **EASTER EVE**

**7:00 PM:** THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL AND THE FIRST MASS OF EASTER  
*(also on Facebook Live)*

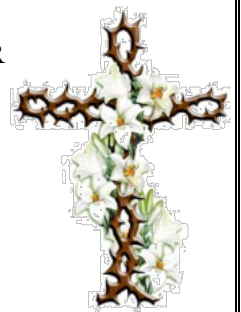
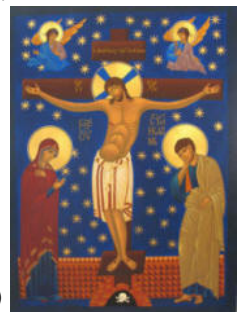
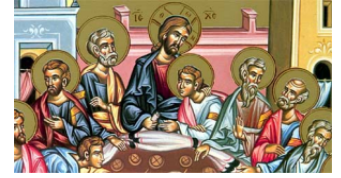
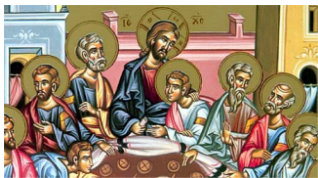
Followed by Lamb Dinner *(please sign up in Parish Hall)*

### **EASTER DAY, Sunday, April 9**

### **THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION**

**8:00 AM:** LOW MASS WITH HYMNS

**10:30 AM:** PROCESSION and SOLEMN HIGH MASS *(also on Facebook Live)*



# GRACE NOTES

March 26, 2023 *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

## FOR PASTORAL ASSISTANCE

**THE REV. ROWENA KEMP** welcomes hearing from you. Please don't hesitate to contact her if there's something you'd like to discuss. Please contact her immediately should there be an illness, hospitalization, or any other pastoral emergency that he should know about. For such emergencies, please note Rev. Rowena's cell phone number: 203-209-4178.

## PEOPLE AND PLACES TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

***A reminder: Tori Burns manages this list for us, and prayer requests need to be renewed after 2 weeks. Please communicate all prayer requests & updates with her (860-539-8790); (tburns@gracehartford.org).***

- *Bishops and Clergy:* Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop; Jeffrey and Laura, Bishops of ECCT; Rowena, Jerry, Molly, Annika, and Joseph, our priests, and Chuck, our Vocational Deacon Intern.
- *Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:* **We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish, that we may have the hands and hearts to carry out thy will;** for the Episcopal Church in CT & the Anglican Communion; All Saints', Meriden; St. Andrew's, Meriden; Christ Church, Middle Haddam; and collaborative ministries and all Ministry Networks.
- *Serving Our Country in the Military (especially those associated with Grace Church):* Brian, Lars, Spencer, Bradley, Curtis, Jordan, John, Carrington, William, Noel, James, Ryan, Michael, Karl, Alec, Jeff, David, Tom, Michael, Charles, Warren, and Mike.
- *Thanksgiving and Celebrations:* We give thanks and ask for thy blessings upon Halsted James (9 on Sat.), whose birthday we celebrate this week.
- *Sick or in need:* Sally; Kenneth & Adrienne; Elaine & Tom; Margaret; Nelda Sue & Larry; Tom; James; Jerry; Bonnie & the Burns Family; Richard; Errol, Norma & the Kemp Family; Stephen & Ratana; Ellen; Barbara; Nigel, Kraig, & Deidre; Dick, Leanne, Aldon, Kim & Fiona; Carmen & Félix; Mary; Monica; Antoinette; Linda & the Galarza Family; Josephine, Melissa & Jaden; Maria; Judy; Peter; Doug; Jane; Bill, Carolyn & Susan; Laurie; Dave; Robert; Jerome; Lynn; McJohn; Doreen; Karen; Terra; Betty & John; Cheryl; Mary & Lou; Diane; Nazra; Donald; Eugenia; Jean; Lesley; for peace throughout the world, especially between Russia and Ukraine and in the Middle East; for Christians being persecuted around the world, particularly in China and Palestine; and all victims of natural and man-made disasters, including those affected by the pandemic.
- *The Deceased:* We pray for the repose of Phil Grant, The Most Rev. Frank Griswold, III, The Rev. Elizabeth Page Rogers, Edward Bethel, Valencia Bastian, all soldiers & civilians killed in war or civil strife, all those who have died from CoVid-19, and in memory of Sharen Baker, Charles Geerts, Frederick Nason, +Priest & Rector, Nelson Chowenhill, +Priest & Rector, Helen Phillips, Alice Sarkesian, Robert Perron, and James Brown.

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## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, March 26 *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

8:00 am: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Solemn High Mass *(also on Facebook Live)*

Monday, March 27 *Lenten Feria (Charles Henry Brent, Bishop of the Philippines, and of Western New York 1929)*

7:30 a.m.: Facebook Live Morning Prayer

6:00 p.m.: Facebook Live Evening Prayer

Tuesday, March 28 *Lenten Feria*

7:30 a.m.: Facebook Live Morning Prayer

Wednesday, March 29 *Lenten Feria (John Keble, Priest, 1866)*

9:15 a.m.: Low Mass *(also on Facebook Live)*, followed by breakfast at Effie's

6:00 p.m.: Facebook Live Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m.: Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 30 *Lenten Feria*

8:00 a.m.: Facebook Live Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m.: "A Place of Grace" food pantry distribution

Friday, March 31 *Lenten Feria (John Donne, Priest, 1631)*

4:00 p.m.: LENTEN FORUM

5:45 p.m.: Lenten Organ Meditation *(also on Facebook Live)*

6:00 p.m.: STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION *(also on Facebook Live)*

Sunday, April 2 *The Sunday of the Passion ~ PALM SUNDAY*

8:00 am: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Solemn High Mass *(also on Facebook Live)*



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### † Fridays in Lent †

Please join us for our Lenten discussion of  
Anglo-Catholicism: History, Rituals, Social Justice  
with Reverend Rowena Kemp, Reverend Joe Pace and Kyle Swann

4:00 p.m. Friday, March 31

*Tea, coffee, baked goodies, and sandwiches provided*

5:45 p.m.: Lenten Organ Meditation *(also on Facebook Live)*

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross and Benediction *(also on Facebook Live)*

