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The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 6, 2025

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We 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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WELCOME to all who are joining with us virtually as we observe *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 Great Litany and Sung Mass, 10:30 A.M.

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Arthur Wills (d. 2020)

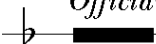
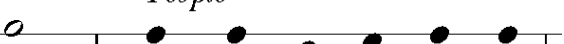
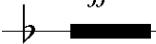

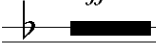
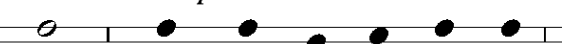
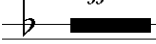
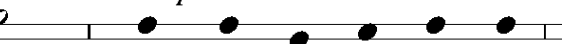
*This setting of the Ordinary of the Mass will be sung by the choir.*  
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Voluntary: *O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig*

Johann Sebastian Bach (d. 1750)

THE GREAT LITANY IN PROCESSION

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

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

Officiant

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.

Officiant

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,

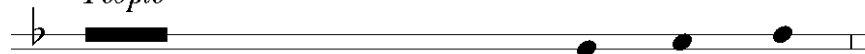
Good Lord, deliver us.

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,

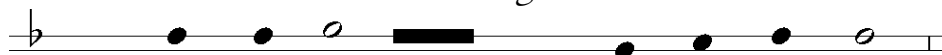
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

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.



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

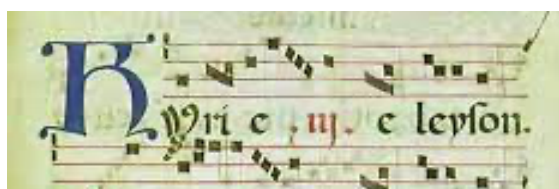
People O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.



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



Officiant O Christ, hear us. *People* O Christ, hear us.



Kyrie eleison (*choir*)

A. Wills

KYRIE ELEISON. Christ eleison. Kyrie eleison.
[Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy]



The Collect of the Day

People: And with thy spirit.

○ 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.*

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

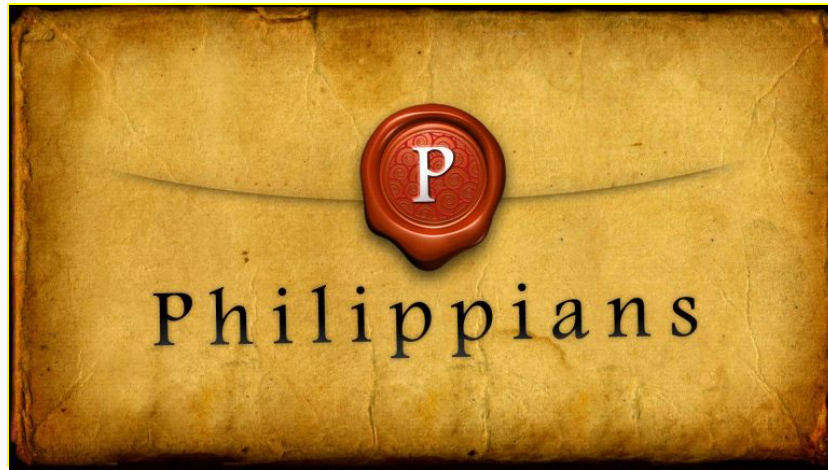
The Word of the Lord.

Gradual: Psalm 126

Tone I.2

The first staff of music is written on a five-line staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of the following notes and rests: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (half). The notes are connected by a single horizontal line, indicating they are part of the same melodic phrase.

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The Epistle: Philippians 3: 4b-14 [NRSV]

A Reading from the Epistle of Paul to the Philippians.

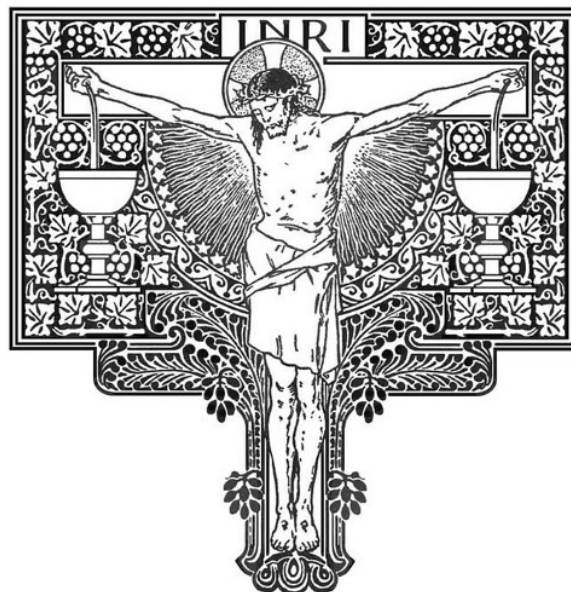
IF anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew, born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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 of 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 12: 1-8 [RSV]

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jes - us Christ ac - cord - ing to John.

People's response: ✠ Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord.

SIX days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

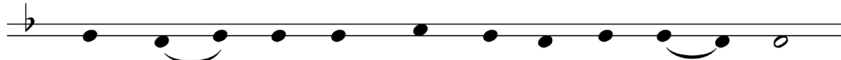
People's Response: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;
 And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of his Father before all worlds,
 God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,
 and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered and was buried
 and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
 and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead;
 whose kingdom shall have no end.

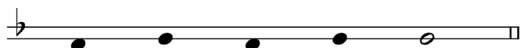
And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
 who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
 who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
 ✠ and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Peace



Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.



People: And with thy spi - rit.

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



THE HOLY COMMUNION

The 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, Domine*

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)

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

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. *People:* 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.

THROUGH 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

HOLY, 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.

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender
A 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
B unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People

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The Lord's Prayer

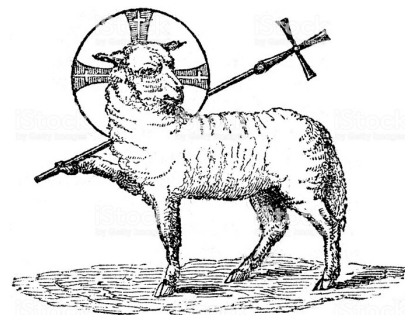
Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,



The Fraction

Celebrant: Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-fic'd 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 (choir) *Qui mihi ministrat*

Mode V

IF ANY MAN SERVE ME, let him follow me; and where I am, there also shall my servant be.

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 Lenten Blessing

MAY God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart. *Amen.*

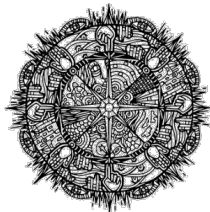
May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds. *Amen.*

May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace. *Amen.*

The blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

<i>Deacon</i>	<i>People</i>
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Let us go forth in the name of Christ.	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.

AVE 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.

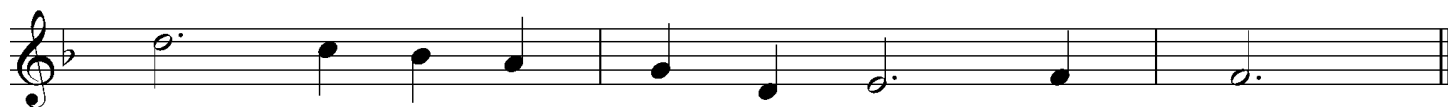
WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



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: *O Mensch, beweine dein' Suende gross*

J. S. Bach

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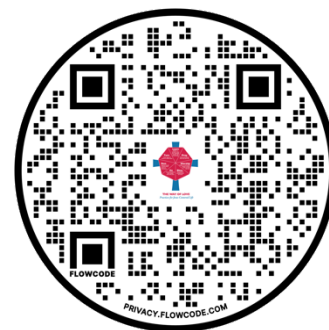


BULLETIN INSERTS

April 6, 2025 – Lent 5 (C)

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 or by scanning the QR code to the right.



Week 5

Sunday, April 6

Today's Practice: Watch the Rev. Dr. Hillary Raining's video at 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, April 7

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

Tuesday, April 8

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, April 9

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, April 10

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

Friday, April 11

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 12

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 13 ~ Sunday of the Passion

Distribution of palms and Reading of the PASSION ACCORDING TO LUKE 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)

Wednesday in Holy Week, April 16

6:00 pm: OFFICE OF TENEBRAE presented by *Haven Religious*

Maundy Thursday, April 17

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 18

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

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 19

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 Reception (please sign up in Parish Hall)

EASTER DAY, Sunday, April 20

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

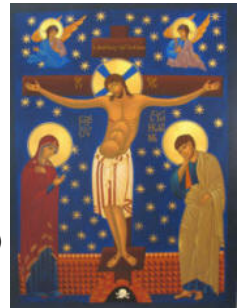
8:00 AM: LOW MASS WITH HYMNS

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

with music for organ, strings, and choir

featuring Mozart's *Missa brevis in D minor, K. 65*, and *Regina Coeli, K. 321*

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April 6 *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, and please contact her immediately, should there be an illness, hospitalization, or any other pastoral emergency that she 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; Sean, Presiding Bishop; Jeffrey and Laura, Bishops of ECCT; Rowena, Jerry, Annika, and Joseph, our priests, and Marta, our curate.
- *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; St. George's, Middlebury; Holy Trinity, Middletown; St. Andrew's, Milford; and ECCT Regions & Region Leadership Teams. *Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.*
- *World & Community Concerns:* For peace throughout the world, especially between Iran, Israel, and Gaza, and in the Middle East; in Sudan; and between Russia and Ukraine; for Christians being persecuted around the world, particularly in China and Palestine; for those who are suffering because of extreme climate; for the hungry and poor in our midst; and the volunteers who serve *A Place of Grace* food pantry.
- *Serving Our Country in the Military (especially those associated with Grace Church):* Brian, Spencer, Bradley, Curtis, Jordan, John, Carrington, William, Noel, James, Ryan, Michael, Karl, Alec, Jeff, David, Tom, Michael, and Charles.
- *Thanksgiving and Celebrations:* We give thanks and ask for thy blessings upon John Mucha Jr. (Fri.) whose birthday we celebrate this week.
- *Sick or in need:* The Sessions Family; Rev. Rowena, Keegan and Kane; Heather; Antoinette; Kenneth & Adrienne; The Vela Cruz Family; David; Neil; Mark; Jerry; Bonnie & the Burns Family; Lea; Megin; Walter & Claudia; Tom & Elaine; Ellen; Sally; Errol, Norma & the Kemp Family; Barbara; Nigel, Kraig & Deidre; Mary; Josephine, Melissa, Jaden, Tay, Soraya & Rapael; Julia, Mike, André & Maria; Linda, Tiffany & the Galarza Family; Kathy; Patti; Delores; Nancy; Marcolina; Peter; Sr. Linda; Leonard; Joy; Cori and the Mackey Family; Judy; Jane; Bill, Carolyn & Susan; McJohn; Doreen; Ted; Kanata; Betty & John; Mary & Lou; Nelda Sue; Diane; Nina; Ellen and Jim; Lauren, Alexandra & Anna; Mark & Diane; Jean; and all victims of natural and man-made disasters.
- *The Deceased:* We pray for the repose of Arielle Kimchi, Shira Sangamuang, Elizabeth MacKiernan Miel, all soldiers and civilians killed in war or civil strife, and in memory of John Lander, Richard Gavitt, Howard Parsons Jr, William F. Burns, and Mardiros Der Sarkissian, in whose memory the sanctuary candle is given (by Adrienne & Kenneth Brown).

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7:00 p.m.: *Choir Rehearsal*

Thursday, April 10 *Lenten Feria*

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

Friday, April 11 *Lenten Feria*

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.: Office Hours

4:00 p.m.: *Lenten Bible Study* ~ Walking the Way of Love

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

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

Sunday, April 13 *The Sunday of the Passion ~ PALM SUNDAY*

8:00 a.m.: Low Mass

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



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## †LENTEN PROGRAMS 2025† COME WALK THE WAY OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS IN LENT, concluding April 11<sup>th</sup>

4:00 P.M. Please join us for our *Lenten discussions* ~  
*Cultivating the Fruit of the Spirit in Heart, Soul, Strength and Mind*  
[Tea, coffee, sandwiches and sweets, provided]

5:45 P.M. *Lenten Organ Meditation* (*also on Facebook Live*)

6:00 P.M. *Stations of the Cross & Benediction* (*also on Facebook Live*)



All are welcome!