



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 17, 2024

PRELUDE

Karen Berger, keyboards

WELCOME AND RINGING OF THE BELL

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8,9

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL

In the cross of Christ I glory

H441

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H441



GREETING

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures for ever.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together: O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 51:1-12



¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.

²Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.

³For I know ¹ my offenses, and my sin is ev- ¹ er before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil ¹ in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right ¹ in your judgment. R ⁵Indeed, I was born ¹ steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my ¹ mother's womb.

⁶Indeed, you delight in truth ¹ deep within me, and would have me know wisdom ¹ deep within.

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I ¹ shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be pur- ¹ er than snow.

⁸Let me hear | joy and gladness;

that the body you have broken | may rejoice. R

⁹Hide your face ¹ from my sins, and blot out ¹ all my wickedness.

¹⁰Create in me a clean | heart, O God, and renew a right spir- | it within me.

¹¹Cast me not away ¹ from your presence, and take not your Holy Spir- ¹ it from me.

¹²Restore to me the joy of ¹ your salvation and sustain me with your boun- ¹ tiful Spirit. R

Hebrews 5:5-10

A reading from Hebrews

⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

⁶as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

(in the cranberry hymnal) v 1 before; v 3 after

GOSPEL READING John 12:20-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again 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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE response: Your mercy is great

PEACE

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

My Song is Love Unknown

H458

turn to the Blue Hymnal p458 v1 (all), v2(choir), v4(congregation), v7(all)

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

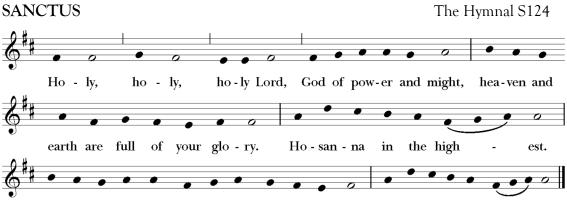
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

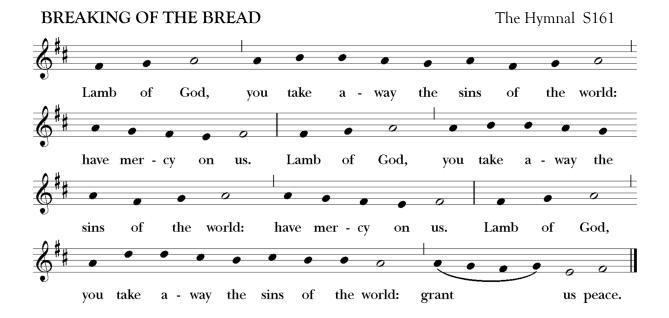
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. Amen.

BLESSING



ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

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Today's flowers are given by David Tully in loving memory of
Edith Derstine Tully

Easter Flower donation forms are on the back table. Please turn in today or by Wednesday morning.

Bible Study

Consider joining our fascinating **Bible Study** group! We will meet at the Parish Hall on Friday, **March 22 at 1:30 pm**. continuing the study The Ten Commandments: Reviving the Soul. This session will cover commandments 5-10. All are welcome - you do not need to be Episcopal or Lutheran or even Christian to join this study. Please let Imelda know either in person or by email if you would like to attend. Please note the start time is a little later than usual.

Basics of the Christian Faith

a two week intensive workshop on the basics of the Christian faith.

The classes are each day from March 18-22 at noon,
and through Holy Week, March 25-30

There may still be time to get involved. Please talk with Pastor Erik.

HOLY WEEK

Mar. 24th Palm Sunday here at 10:00am

Mar. 28th Maundy Thursday at St. Paul's in Stockbridge 6:00pm

Mar. 29th Good Friday service is at Grace Chapel in GB 6:00pm

Mar. 30th The Great Vigil of Easter here at 8:00pm

Mar. 31st Easter Sunday Celebration here at 10:00am

No 8:00 services during Holy Week.

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