

WE SEEK TO UNITE ALL PEOPLE WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER IN CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, EDUCATION, AND SERVICE.

Welcome! We're glad you're here.

PRELUDE: Medley of Today's Hymns

Choral Call to Worship: Seek the Lord (S-217:1,2,3)

Processional Hymn 148: Creator of the Earth......Uffingham

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP, p. 355

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Kyrie: S-91 Healey Willan Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING:	Isaiah 43:16-21
Thus says the LORD,	
who makes a way in the sea,	
a path in the mighty waters,	
who brings out chariot and horse,	
army and warrior;	
they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:	
Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.	
I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?	
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.	
The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches;	
for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert,	
to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself	
so that they might declare my praise.	
The Word of the Lord.	
Response: Thanks be to God.	
THE PSALM	Psalm 126
1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.	
2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.	
3 Then they said among the nations, * "The LORD has done great things for them."	
4 The LORD has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.	
5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, * like the watercourses of the Negev.	
6 Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.	

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Duet: A Lenten Meditation.....Lee Rogers Sally Little, piano, with organ

SECOND READINGPhilippians 3:4b-14

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.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 383: Fairest Lord Jesus......St. Elizabeth

GOSPEL:John 12:1-8

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

Response: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.)

Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON......Fr. RJ

THE NICENE CREEDBCP, p 358

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

Celebrant: In this holy season, let us turn to God in prayer saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Leader: For the holy Church of God; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Anne, our own

Bishop; for all bishops and other ministers; and for all the holy people of God, that we may heed the voice of the Lord and reform our ways and deeds, we pray to you,

O Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the peoples and leaders of the nations, that we may preserve and care for the

blessings of the world, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For outcasts and those without home or land, that a place for refuge, shelter, and

belonging will be theirs, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For this community, that God may grant us grace to take on the mind of Christ and to

stand firm in the Lord, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our own needs and those of others, especially for Vonda, Jim, Jane, and Ron,

and all who seek our prayers, that we may all find shelter and protection under

God's wings, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those who have died, especially Ben and Paula Wise, Vera A. Willoughby and

Bobbie Lenzie, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all the concerns, joys, and needs of our lives, we offer additional prayers,

silently or aloud:

Pause for the People to offer additional prayers.

We pray to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant: O God, by your Word you marvelously carry out the work of reconciliation: Grant

that in our Lenten fast we may be devoted to you with all our hearts, and united with

one another in prayer and holy love: through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTIONBCP, p. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.*

THE PEACE BCP, p. 360

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

People: And also with you.

PARISH NOTICES

*PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS.....*BCP, p. 830

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIES:

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, we thank you for those among us whose lives together are a sign of Christ's love to the world, and we thank you especially this day for those who are celebrating their anniversaries. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives. In Christ's name we pray. *Amen.*

Offertory Anthem: Give Thanks to the Lord......Barker/Ladd

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING The Doxology (Hymn 380, St 3)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A......BCP, p. 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant adds a preface and then proceeds:

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

S-130 Franz Schubert

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

(sung) Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN. (X3 Sung)**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Response: Therefore let us keep the feast.

FRACTION ANTHEM S-164..... Franz Schubert

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace

COMMUNION: All baptized persons are welcome to take communion.

Please let the Priest know if you would prefer a gluten free wafer.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

To Be Said By Those Online and Others Choosing Not to Receive the Sacrament

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of Your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer You praise and thanksgiving. I present to You my soul and body with the earnest wish that they may always be united to You. And since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I pray that You come spiritually into my heart.

I unite myself to You and embrace You with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate You from me. May I live and die in Your love. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Recessional Hymn 152: Kind Maker of the World......A la Venue de Noel

As the candles are extinguished the people sing:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in his wonderful face; And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of his glory and grace.

> Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. People:

Bob's Music Notes

"Creator of the Earth" boasts a tune by Jeremiah Clarke, best known for the popular Trumpet Tune often used at weddings, wrongfully ascribed to Purcell. The Lenten text bemoans our human weakness and bids our darkness turn to day.



"Fairest Lord Jesus" is the popular hymn we sang recently, but in light of today's Gospel about Mary's anointing of Jesus, we are reminded of our Savior's excellence in every way. This hymn, with the text "Beautiful Savior," was immortalized in a setting by Lutheran master F. Melius Christiansen.

"Kind Maker" is attributed to Gregory the Great and has a Lenten text that enshrines fasting, repentance, and grace. The splendid tune is another example borrowed from Christmas (like "Now Quit Your Care," which we sang last week).

Barker and his wife Brenda are Texas musicians associated with Word publishers with many works in print. They are parents of eleven children adopted from all over the world.

Altar Flowers Today



In memory of John's Parents, Ben and Paula Wise - John and Kathy Wise In memory of Vera A. Willoughby, John's Mother - Tory and John Willoughby In celebration of Matthew Garrott, Sr.'s birthday - Leslie Redmon In celebration of Will's birthday – Susie Hines

UPCOMING EVENTS



Tuesday, April 8

7 pm- Yoga with Beth

Wednesday, April 9

4 pm- Evening Prayer, Zoom

Sunday, April 13

9 am- One Service only Followed by Brunch

Monday, April 14

1 pm- Knitting, Family Room

3 pm- Book Club

Tuesday, April 15

7 pm- Yoga with Beth

Wednesday, April 16

4 pm- Evening Prayer, Zoom

Tuesday, April 22

1 pm- Lunch Bunch, John's Bar

Servers this Sunday, April 6

Eucharistic Ministers

8 am: Diana Cornell

Lector: Doug Carey

10 am: Carol Hayn, Bruce Schutrum

<u>Lector:</u> Kent Clark

Acolytes: Danny Holihan, Heather Thomas

<u>Ushers:</u> Richard Crowl, Wayne Paradis <u>Altar Guild:</u> Linda Deuble, Kathy Wise

APRIL BIRTHDAYS



- 1 Marcia Kiesling
- 8 Drew Pegler
- 9 Tom Temelkoff
- 10 Barbara Whitehouse
- 12 JD Arnold Susie Hines
- 13 Sally Little
- 20 Katie Cerrone-Arnold
- 21 Kim Nadel
- 26 Sandi Kaustinen
- 27 Karen Violand

Servers next Sunday, April 13

Eucharistic Ministers

9 am: Pam McCarthy, Derek Gordon Acolytes: Karen Violand, Joe Hoot, Danny

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<u>Ushers:</u> Dave Thorley, Gary Giammarco Altar Guild: Linda Deuble, Kathy Wise



Have compassion on: Vonda Temelkoff, Jim Weaver, Jane Schutrum, Ron Brooks, and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

For those who have died: Bobbie Lenzie (sister of Becky Watters)

Family & Friends: Shelley Burns (Tom Burns' cousin's wife) + Allison (cousin of Sandi Kaustinen) + Clarice Lough (friend of the Watters) + Katheleen Philippsborn (sister of Tom Turner) + Machelle Wells (friend of Jaime Heinzman) + Father Jon Conventry (Trinity Episcopal Church - Alliance) + Jimmy Little (son of Sue Little) + Alison (friend of the Willoughbys) + Jane McBride (mother of Beth Crowl) + Tom (brother-in-law of AnJane McConville) + Gail and Judy Shumway (friend, sister-in-law, & co-worker friend of the Rand's daughter) + Dr. Mallamaci (acquaintance of Bobbi Zollinger) + Jolonda Mull & Pam Lagodich (sister-in-law & friend of the Mulls) + Scott Jones, Val Hiner-Donlon, Rick Ciminelli, & Harold Freedman (cousin & friend of the Gordons) + Larry Aclaska (acquaintance of Bert Heisser) + Lee, Theresa, & Chuck Boone (friends & cousin of the Hixons) + Melanie & Trish (friends of Paulette Frech) + Pat Walter & family (friend of Barb Whitehouse) + Alycia Geis (Karen Violand's friend's daughter) + Don Siegfried & Janet Sheatzley-Morgan (husband and sister of Barb Siegfried) + Allison Cornell-Hood & Anne Higgins (daughter & friend of Diane Cornell) + Finnigan Savage (friend of Pam McCarthy) + Tony Donahue (friend of the Boyds) + David (acquaintance of the Nadels) + Those in the Armed Forces.

Prayer Chain

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for specific needs of those on the prayer chain. If you would like to place yourself or a loved one on the prayer chain, please contact Bobbi Gordon at Please note ,prayer requests may be placed on the Prayer Chain, in the Prayer Concerns list appearing here and in the Sunday bulletin, or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference. Please update Bobbi on the status of your friends or family members as to when they may be removed from the prayer lists.





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