

All Angels Episcopal Church

8:00 & 10:00am



**Though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil**

Psalm 23:4

March 15, 2026

Prelude

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Smith & Hustad

Bonnie Wolfgram, piano / David Stasney, Organ

Processional Hymn

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1982 Hymnal #490



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.



I want to fol-low Je-sus.
I want to look at Je-sus.
I want to be with Je-sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and
When we have run with pa-tience the race, we



star of my life is Je-sus.
show me the way to the Fa-ther.
shall know the joy of Je-sus.

Refrain



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The



night and the day are both a-like. The



Lamb is the light of the ci-ty of God.

a tempo



Shine in my heart, Lord Je-sus.

Celebrant
People

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures for ever.

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14,16*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence (you are invited to kneel or sit as you are able)

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.

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons *Please be seated for the reading of the lessons*

Introduction: The theme of today's lessons is sight. God sees things differently than we do. Our first reading is about the prophet Samuel who is seeking to anoint the next King of Israel. He went to the house of Jesse, a man with eight sons. Samuel expected God would anoint the oldest but remember God sees things differently.

A reading from Exodus

1 Samuel 16:6-12

When they arrived, Samuel looked at Eliab [the oldest and tallest] and thought, *Here is the Lord's anointed.* But the Lord said to Samuel, "Have no regard for his appearance or stature, because I have not selected him. God does not look at things like humans do. Humans see only what is visible to the eyes, but the Lord sees into the heart."

Next Jesse called for Abinadab, who presented himself to Samuel, but he said, "The Lord has not chosen this one either." So Jesse presented Shammah, but Samuel said, "No, the Lord has not chosen this one." Jesse presented seven of his sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not picked any of these."

Then Samuel asked Jesse, "Is that all of your boys?"

"There is still the youngest one," Jesse answered, "but he's out keeping the sheep."

"Send for him," Samuel told Jesse, "because we cannot proceed until he gets here."

So Jesse sent and brought him in. He was reddish brown, had beautiful eyes, and was good-looking. The Lord said, "That's the one. Go anoint him." So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him right there in front of his brothers.

The Lord's spirit came over David from that point forward.

Then Samuel left and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Introduction: The Apostle Paul reminds the people in the Church in Ephesus that they are not merely in the light, they are the light. Walking in the light involves avoiding doing “worthless things that are done in the dark.”

The passage concludes with what many believe is a line from a hymn they sang in Ephesus when someone was baptized. It is a poetic invitation to rise from the water of baptism so that Christ will shine upon you.

A reading from Ephesians

Ep 5:8-14

You used to be like people living in the dark, but now you are people of the light because you belong to the Lord. So act like people of the light and make your light shine. Be good and honest and truthful, as you try to please the Lord. Do not take part in doing those worthless things that are done in the dark. Instead, show how wrong they are. It is inappropriate to talk about what is done in the dark. But the light will show what these things are really like.

Light shows up everything, just as the Scriptures say,
“*Wake up from your sleep and rise from death. Then Christ will shine on you.*”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

There is a Longing in Our Hearts

Voices Found #147

Refrain:

There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.

There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

1. For justice, for freedom, for mercy; hear our prayer. In sorrow, in grief:

be near, hear our prayer, O God. *Refrain:*

2. For wisdom, for courage, for comfort; hear our prayer. In weakness, in fear:

be near hear our prayer, O God. *Refrain:*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 9:1-41

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming

when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.” The Pharisees did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Pharisees; for the Pharisees had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.” So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn

There is a Longing in Our Hearts

There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.

There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

3 For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer.

In sickness, in death: be near, hear our prayer, O God. *Refrain*

4 Lord save us, take pity, light in our darkness.

We call you, we wait: be near, hear our prayer, O God. *Refrain*

The Sermon

The Very Rev. David Marshall

Reflection Music

Here is Love

Joseph M. Martin

David Stasney, Soloist

The Nicene Creed (*The word “catholic” means universal or global body of Christian believers*)

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.

The Prayers of the People (*Please stand or kneel or sit as you are able*)

Lord God, because Jesus tells us turn from selfish ways and to trust the Good News, we hold to His word and pray as he taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, therefore, trusting solely in God’s grace and mercy, we pray:

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Show us your ways, O Lord, and teach us your paths; give us a reverence for the earth as your own creation that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Give us today our daily bread.

Remember not the sins of our youth, remember us according to your love;

Guide the people of this land; Lord, guide your Church; and guide all the nations in the ways of justice and peace; that we may see Christ in one another and serve the common good.

Forgive us our sins.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

As we forgive those who sin against us.

You command us to learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, care for the sick, and to be content with what we have.

Save us from the time of trial.

Jesus was tempted by the evil one for 40 days and the angels tended to him; strengthen us to walk the way of Christ in our own day.

Deliver us from evil.

Jesus said, “If you are tired come to me and I will give you rest,” we pray for those who are sick, those who suffer; we pray for all who protect us both here and abroad, and for those on our prayer list; Especially we pray for Downs IV, Holden, Barbara, Caitlin, Victoria, Alice, Annette, Charles, Anne, Ellie, Patricia, Bob, Agie, Eric, Amy, Trude, Donna, Beverly, Carling, Carol, Rafaela and Ed. For those going through cancer treatments, and in remission, especially, Downs III, Lauren, Nancy, Shannon, Frank, Carmen, Zachary, Claudia, Will, Pete, Cara, Jennifer, Lauren, Melinda, Lindsay, Melissa, Kelly, Davidson, and Kelsey.

And, we pray for people that we name now; either silently or aloud. *Silence*

We pray for those who have died, and for those who mourn, may they find peace within you.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Celebrant: Lord God, you have declared that your kingdom is among us. Open our ears to hear it, our voices to proclaim it, and use our hands to serve you. This we pray in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory

Gathered in God’s Name

Michael Burkhardt

Thank you for your offering to God through All Angels. If you would prefer to make an electronic offering, please scan the QR code.



**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Holy Eucharist Prayer A

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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 God 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin.

By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**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.

The people may kneel or sit as they are able.

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:

Celebrant and People

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 for ever.
AMEN.

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

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.**

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

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.

Communion Music

David Stasney

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray,

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.

The Blessing

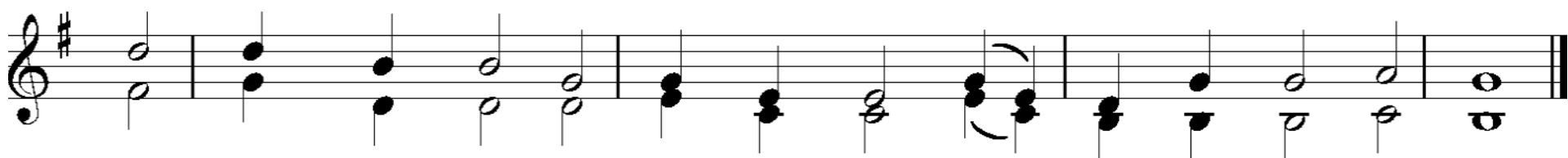
Recessional Hymn

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (5 vs)

1982 Hymnal #493



1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;



1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Postlude on Azmon

arr. D. Stasney

New to All Angels? Welcome! Be sure to sign the guest registry in the lobby.

Announcements

The memorial for Diana Emrich will be Wednesday, March 25 at 10 a.m.

St. Patrick's Day Concert & Dinner.

Only two days until the St. Patrick's Day Party. Sign up in the narthex today!

Christine Hales, artist of the beautiful Icons in the Gallery, will be hosting the coffee hour today.

Margi Dawson, from Turning Points, Bradenton will be joining us on March 22 to receive the proceeds of \$12,000 from the New to You Art Sale.

Easter Flower Dedications If you would like to make an Easter offering to All Angels in thanksgiving for or in memory of a loved one, please fill out the card found in the Tidings or in the bulletin and either place it in the collection plate, drop it off in the office, or email it to Linn at LT@allangelslbk.org.

Deadline for flower dedications for Easter Flowers is Sunday, March 29

Lenten discussion of the five Gospels of Lent 10:00am on Wednesdays. All are welcome and encouraged to deepen their spiritual lives by meditating on God's holy word.

Choir Rehearsals Thursday mornings at 10 am. New members are ALWAYS welcomed!

Prayer List If you'd like a loved one to be on the list, please contact Maria or Linn, and please specify if it is for general prayers, for cancer treatment, or for hospice.

Coffee Hour Host One of the most important things we do is gather after the service for coffee hour. If you are interested in hosting, the sign up sheet is on the Gallery table. If you would like help, sign up and we will find someone to show you how it is done.

Birthdays & Anniversaries If you have a birthday or anniversary coming up next month, please email Linn Torres at lt@allangelslbk.org

Visit our Website Video of Today's Service, Discussion Group Articles, Gallery Artist, and our weekly Tidings can all be found on our website: www.allangelslbk.org.



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Our mission is to bring the living Christ to those inside and outside the church.

Today's presenters

8:00 am

Barbara Pickrell - Chalice
Antonio Leal - Lector
Antonio Leal - Prayers

10:00 am

Alison Jones - Chalice
Barbara Lelewski - Lector
Terry Cobb - Prayers
Reuben Fernandez, Ginny Upshaw - Ushers
Bonnie Wolfgram - Piano

Antonio Leal - Seminarian
Ethan Marshall - Acolyte
Elijah Marshall - A/V tech
Scott Wuesthoff - Zoom host
Daphne Walker - Altar Guild
Pam Elder - Flowers
Cathie Wilt - Offering Counter
Christine Hales - Coffee Hour



Flower Dedication

The flowers this week are given by Daphne Walker
in loving memory of her husband Bill Walker's birthday.



Vestry

Cade Sibley
Carol Erker
Allen McGee
David Bishop
Hank Kochan
Larry Elder
Sandy Wood
Reuben Fernandez
Senior Warden
Jeff Vaughn
Junior Warden

David Stasney
Music Director

Fr. Fred Emrich

The Very Rev. David J. Marshall,
Rector

Reflection *Fermentation*

Jesus's disciples got into the boat. They forgot to bring bread – there was only one loaf. Jesus ordered them: “Be on guard for the yeast of the Pharisees and the yeast of Herod.” The disciples discussed this behind Jesus' back saying, *He said this because we have no bread*, and tried to blame each other for not packing enough bread.

Jesus perceived this and said, “Why are you talking about the fact that you don't have any bread? Don't you grasp what has happened? Don't you understand?”

Are your hearts so resistant to what God is doing?

Don't you have eyes? Why can't you see?

Don't you have ears? Why can't you hear?

Don't you remember? When I broke five loaves of bread for those five thousand people, how many baskets full of leftovers did you gather?” They answered, “Twelve.”

“And when I broke seven loaves of bread for those four thousand people, how many baskets full of leftovers did you gather?” “Seven,” they answered.

Jesus said to them, “Do you not yet understand?” *Mark 8:14-21 (trans. mine)*

Have you ever seen yeast at work? When my dad made bread, my brother and I would watch the yeast at work. Watching bread rise is almost like magic. Jesus used fermentation as an example of negative human behavior – and then pointed out how the disciples were fermenting negative thought patterns. Think of it this way: bad news ferments and travels faster than good news. Misunderstandings can ferment and harden the heart. Resentment can ferment into hate. Hate can ferment into violence. Generalizing and stereotyping can stop unity and love from growing. The author Mark wrote that Jesus continually warned the disciples about this type of fermentation in their thinking and in their hearts.

This story appears at the half-way point of Mark's Gospel. I wonder if Jesus is thinking about how these disciples were soon going to have to spread the Good News without him. Perhaps he thought, *if they are laying blame over bread, are their hearts ready to spread the message of forgiveness and grace, love and unity!?*

After taking a moment, Jesus reminded them that they watched bread multiply (like yeast) on two separate occasions. Yet they were worried they only had one loaf of bread. Fear of scarcity, it seems, can ferment quickly. They appeared to forget who they had in the boat with them. From time to time, especially in ministry, I let the fear of scarcity ferment in me. If this happens with you, here's a prayer.

Lord Jesus, like the disciples in the boat, sometimes I forget my blessings and focus instead on my anxiety about my "one loaf". Forgive me for my hardened heart and my lack of understanding. Guard my heart against the fermentation of legalism, pride, materialism, and fear that silently corrupts my faith. Lord Jesus, Bread of Life, I ask for the grace to remember all the good things you have done and that you are always in my boat of life. When I am worried about material needs, remind me of your abundance. Help me to recall how you have provided for me before, and to trust that your grace is always enough. Amen.

- Fr. Dave