

March 27, 2022
10:00 AM

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist



St. Stephen's in-the-Field Episcopal Church

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*We the people of Saint Stephen's in-the-Field
seek to know Christ, to share Christ, and to serve Christ,
recognizing his presence in all people,
and reaching out in love to each other and to the world around us.*

***“Whoever and wherever you are on your spiritual journey,
you are welcome here!”***

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn:

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

William Williams (1717-1791)
tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796)

H #690

CWM RHONDDA
John Hughes (1873-1932)

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this bar - ren land;
2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;

I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy power - ful hand;
let the fire and cloud - dy pil - lar lead me all my jour - ney through;

bread of hea - ven, bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and

more, shield, feed me now and ev - er - more.
be thou still my strength and shield.

Opening Acclamation

Bless the Lord who for - gives all our sins.

His mer - cy en - dures for ev - er.

Collect for Purity

All

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



Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Christ have mer-cy up - on us. Christ have mer-cy up - on us. Christ have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Healy Wilan (1880-1968), fr. *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Undignified God, spirit of dangerous feasts, inviting the unclean to your table: find us in the far country of hopelessness and greed; free us from the prison of resentment and envy and bring us back to life; through Jesus Christ, the friend of sinners. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm:

Psalm 32

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of
trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against

them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

The Word of the Lord.

All:

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Gradual:

Mary Nelson Keithahn, 1996

A Long Lost Lamb

Voices Found #95, alt. tune

BROTHER JAMES AIR

J. L. Macbeth Bain (1840?-1925)

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1. A long lost lamb is in the fold, a wo-man's coin re - trieved
 2. The lit - tle man who climbed a tree has found a friend at last,
 3. The fish - er - man who turned a - way re - ceives an - oth - er chance.
 4. Let ev - ery - one who suf - fers now from guilt and deep de - spair

a way-ward son is home a - gain, most lov - ing - ly re - ceived.
 a wo-man with her cup of tears has put be - hind her past.
 A Phar - i - see has seen the light and mourns his ar - ro - gance.
 re - turn un - to the house of God, for love a - waits you there.

Good news! It's time to ce - le-brate with friends who ga - ther round!
 So God re - joic - es, Je - sus said, when - e'er the lost is found!
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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of

yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Karen Cuffie

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

Celebrant: In the name of Christ, let us pray to the God whose care embraces every child in need

Leader: That the church, the household of God, may reflect the compassion of God, and hurry to welcome sinners with an embrace of love and a place at the table. In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the emergence of the “New Church.” Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all those who continue to suffer and grieve in theatres of wars and places of violent conflict, especially the people of Ukraine. May they know comfort, justice, peace and restoration. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: That all who are alienated from their families find the understanding they seek, and the care they need for their healing. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: That those burdened by hurtful memories or past guilt may come to know the God whose forgiveness is unconditional and freely given. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: For our own needs and the needs of all people, and for those we now name aloud or in our hearts . . . (silence), that God may be our hope and consolation. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: That we, whose sins have been forgiven so freely and so frequently, may extend forgiveness to all who have hurt and offended us. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all those who have died in the faith, and for those we now name aloud or in our hearts . . . (silence), that they may know peace in the risen life of Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Good and gracious God, rich in mercy and pardon, hear the prayers we raise to you with confidence; clothe us in the garments of salvation, and give us a foretaste of the joy you have prepared for us in the paschal banquet of your Son, Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(There will be a moment of silence)

People: **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**

Absolution

Celebrant: 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

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

People: **And also with you.**

Exchange peace.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

Birthday Blessing: Watch over your birthday *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.

Anniversary Blessing: O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory:

Sing My Soul, His Wondrous Love

Anon. 1800

H# 467

ST. BEES
John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

1. Sing, my soul, his won-drous love, who, from yon bright throne a - bove,
2. Heav'n and earth by him were made; all is by his scep - ter swayed;
3. God, the mer - ci - ful and good, bought us with the Sa - vior's blood,
4. Sing, my soul, a - dore his Name! Let his glo - ry by thy theme:

ev - er watch - ful o'er our race, still to us ex - tends his grace.
what are we that he should show co much love to us be - low?
and, to make sal - va - tion sure, guides us by his Spi - rit pure.
praise him till he calls thee home; trust his love for all to come.

Doxology (Old 100th)

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;

praise him a - bove, ye heav - en - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

Celebrant

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 *Sanctus*

S130

Setting from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,____

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,____

hea - ven and earth are full,____ full____ of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.____ Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues


We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Celebrant

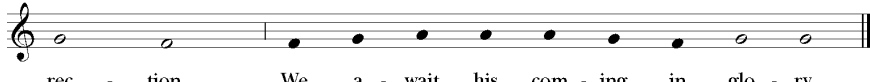


There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -



rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Stephen and St. John and all

your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

People and Celebrant

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread



Christ our Pass - ov - er is sac - ri - fic'd for us;



There - fore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn:

Shepherd of Souls

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

H #343

ST. AGNES

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John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

1. Shep-herd of souls, re-fresh and bless thy cho-sen
2. We would not live by bread a-lone, but by your
3. Be known to us in break-ing bread, and do not
4. Lord, sup with us in love di-vine, your Bo-dy

pil-grim flock with man-na in the
word of grace, in strength of which we
then de-part; Sa-vior, a-bide with
and your Blood, that liv-ing bread, that

wil-der-ness, with wa-ter from the rock.
trav-el on to our a-bid-ing-place.
us, and spread thy ta-ble in our heart.
heaven-ly wine, be our im-mor-tal food.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Bow down before the Lord.

(The people kneel, as they are able)

Celebrant

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Blessing

Mission Song:

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Robinson (1735-1790)

H #686

NETTLETON

melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813

1. Come, thou fount of ev' - ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace!
2. Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er by thy help, I've come;
3. Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!

Streams of mer - cy ne - ver ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee:

Teach me__ some mel - o - dious son - net, sung by__ flam - ing tongues a - bove.
Je - sus__ sought me when a stran - ger wan d'ring from the fold of God;
prone to__ wan - der, Lord, I feel__ it, prone to__ leave the God I love;

Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

All services will be posted on our websites, ssitf.org and sjdmh.org

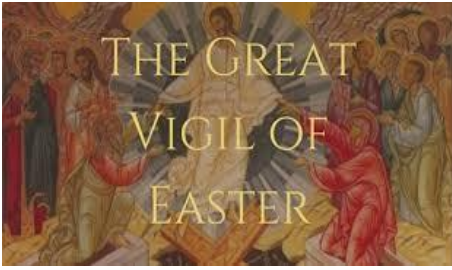


April 10 - 10:00am at St. Stephen's:
Blessing of the Palms and Holy Eucharist

Maundy Thursday April 14th
7:00pm at St. John's: Holy
Eucharist, and Stripping of the
Altar.

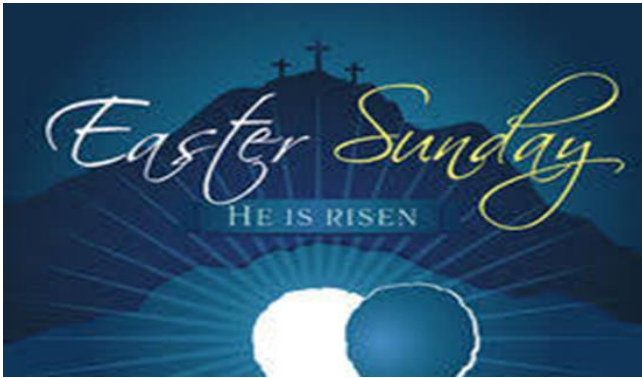


April 15th - 12 noon at St. John's:
Service and Communion from Reserved Sacrament
7:00pm: Stations of the Cross



Saturday, April 16th

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Easter Sunday

April 17th

10:00am at St. John's
Holy Eucharist