



**St. Aidan's Episcopal Church**  
*To know Jesus Christ and make Him known*  
**The Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
**April 6, 2025**  
**8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

**LENT**

Welcome to St. Aidan's! Whether you are a visitor or long-time worshiper, we are glad you decided to join us today. Our service follows the red **Book of Common Prayer (BCP)** and this bulletin; hymns are in the blue **Hymnal 1982** and **Lift Every Voice & Sing (LEVAS)**.

**\* NOTICE \***

Our 11:00 a.m. service is live-streamed and recordings are posted online.  
 We invite those with privacy concerns to join us at our 8:15 a.m. service,  
 which will not be live-streamed or recorded.

**† THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I †**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Prelude: Aria**

Flor Peeters

**Choral Introit (11:00 a.m.): Psalm 121**

Henry Walford Davies

*I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?  
 My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.  
 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in,  
 from this time forth for evermore.*

**The Processional: Hymn #473, "Lift High the Cross" (8:15 am vs. 1-2)**

**Opening Acclamation**

**BCP 323**

**Collect for Purity**

**BCP 323**

**Kyrie Eleison**

**8:15 a.m.: (Spoken by all)**  
**11:00 a.m.: S 88**

**The Collect of the Day**

O 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 for ever. *Amen.*

**The Old Testament:**

**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.

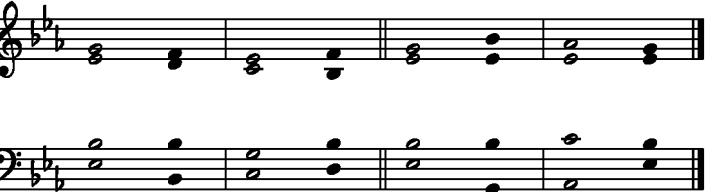
The wild animals will honor me,  
 the jackals and the ostriches;  
 for I give water in the wilderness,  
 rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,  
 the people whom I formed for myself  
 so that they might declare my praise.

**Psalm 126 In convertendo**

*(8:15 am Spoken in unison. 11:00 am, chanted by all, seated)*

Robert Knox Kennedy  
 (b. 1945)



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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 in / deed.  
 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.

**The Epistle:**

**Philippians 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.

**Sequence Hymn: Hymn #635, "If thou but trust in God to guide thee"**

**John 12:1-8**

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."

**The Homily**

Thomas G. Reynolds IV, Lay Worship Leader  
 The Rev. W. Reginald Simmons, Celebrant

**BCP 326**

**The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 328**

**The Prayers of the People**

**BCP 330**

**Confession of Sin and Absolution**

**BCP 332**

**The Peace**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*All baptized people are welcome to receive Communion.  
 If you do not wish to receive Communion, we invite you to come forward,  
 with your arms crossed over your chest, to receive a blessing.*

**The Offertory:**

**8:15 a.m.: Crusader's Hymn**  
**11:00 a.m.: For the Mountains Shall Depart**

arr. Frederick Swann  
 Hank Beebe

Glenda Gray, Soloist  
 John Elton, Piano

*For one small moment have I forsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee, for the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but my kindness shall not depart from thee. For the Lord hath called thee as a woman forsaken, and grieved in spirit, and a wife in youth when thou was refused, saith thy God. [Isaiah 54:6,7,10]*

**Presentation Hymn #380 (vs. 3) *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow***

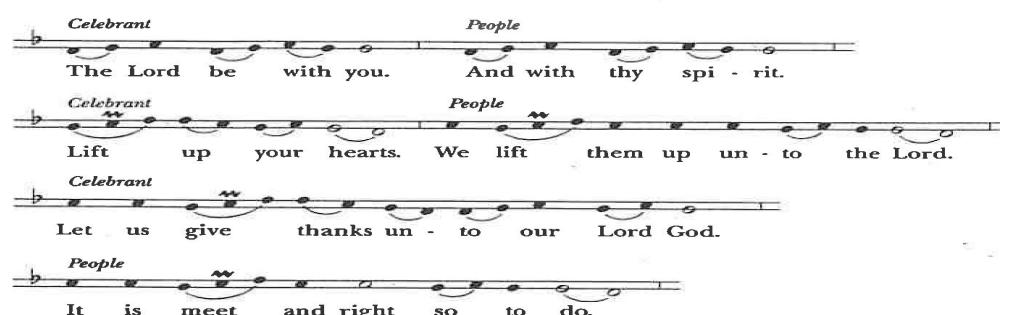
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer I**

**Sursum Corda**

8:15 a.m.: (Spoken by all)  
 11:00 a.m.: S 112

**Lift up your hearts      Sursum corda**



**Sanctus**

8:15 a.m.: (Spoken by all)  
 11:00 a.m.: S 114 "Holy, holy, holy"

**The Great Amen (Spoken by all)**

**The Lord's Prayer (Spoken by all)**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**Fraction Anthem**

8:15 a.m.: (Spoken by all)  
 11:00 a.m.: S 158 "Lamb of God"

**The Prayer of Humble Access**

**Communion Music:**

*Largo (from Lute Concerto in D Major)*  
*Hymn #474, "When I survey the wondrous cross"*  
*Hymn 149, "Eternal Lord of love, behold your church"*

**The Post Communion Prayer**

**The Blessing**

**The Retiring Processional: LEVAS #118, "Spirit Song"**

**The Dismissal**

**[No Postlude during Lent]**

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♪ A VERY SPECIAL WELCOME AND THANK YOU TO ♪  
 ♪ JOHN ELTON, GUEST PIANIST AT 11:00 A.M. ♪

**† HOLY WEEK SERVICES †**

**Palm Sunday, April 13, 8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**  
 Holy Eucharist with Passion Gospel

Monday, April 14, 7:00 p.m. - Evening Prayer  
 Tuesday, April 15, 7:00 p.m. - Evening Prayer

Wednesday, April 16, 7:00 p.m. - Tenebrae Service

**Maundy Thursday, April 17, 7:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist w/ Foot Washing**  
 Maundy Thursday, April 17 - Altar of Repose

**Good Friday, April 18, 12:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross**

**Good Friday, April 18, 7:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist w/ Passion Gospel**  
 Holy Saturday, April 19, 8:00 p.m. - The Great Vigil of Easter

**Easter Sunday, April 20, 8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**  
 Holy Eucharist  
 (The Easter Egg Hunt starts at 10:00 a.m.!)

**We pray blessings on the following people with birthdays this week:**

Charles Higgs, Ruth Clemens, Joan Cowart, Melanie Joyce Alexander,  
 Pamela Steman, Emily Dobbins, and Jim Dobbins

**We pray blessings on the following people with anniversaries this week:**

Jeannie & Richard Schmidt

**† Jesus, the Christ, Head of the Church †**

The Right Rev. Robert C. Wright, Bishop of Atlanta

The Rev. W. Reginald Simmons, Rector

Thomas G. Reynolds IV, Lay Worship Leader

Charles Higgs, Director of Music Ministries

Anita Hilbun, Parish Administrator & Director of Communications

Ann Dancy & Glenda Gray, Directors of Choristers

Leanne Klimavicius, Director of St. Aidan's Preschool

**Vestry**

Sam Locklear, Senior Warden(2024)

Mary Kathryn Nix, Junior Warden (2026)

Emil Hoffman, Asst. Junior Warden (2026)

Ann Christensen, Treasurer

Janice Howard, Asst. Treasurer (2026)

Curtis Brison (2028)

Linda Leigh Brock (2028)

Kathy Bump (2028)

Allison Fisher (2026)

Kim Hottenstein (2025)

Barry Mansell(2025)

Karen Vernon (2025)

**† CHRISTIAN FORMATION †**

***The Rule of Benedict: A Spirituality for the 21st Century***

Sundays, 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Book available at <https://a.co/d/4nUbTBd>

***Children's Chapel every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.***

Children will join the Congregation during The Peace.

***A Study of the Lectionary***

Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (Burtenshaw Hall Library)

***Lenten Book Study and Simple Lunch***

Wednesdays, 12:00 - 1:00, March 12 to April 16

*Jesus and the Powers*, by N.T. Wright and Michael F. Byrd

***Bible Study: Romans***

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. (Burtenshaw Hall Library)

***Children's Bulletins & Crayons***

Children's bulletins and crayons are available in the back of the nave.

⊗ ***BREAKFAST*** ⊗

Sundays, 9:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. (Burtenshaw Hall)

***† Altar of Repose †***

**Thursday, April 17, following the Maundy Thursday service**

Jesus asks: "Could you not watch one hour with me?" Matthew 26:40  
 Sign up to keep watch with quiet reflection and prayer until Good Friday.

***† Confession & Spiritual Direction †***

Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. or by appointment.

***† Pastoral Care †***

If you have any Pastoral Care concerns, please let us know using  
 the cards in the pews or contact [Father Reggie](mailto:Father.Reggie@staids.org) ([Father.Reggie@staids.org](mailto:Father.Reggie@staids.org)).

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