



Fifth Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist | April 6, 2025

WELCOME!

You are invited to be a part of this community whether you're arriving for the first time or returning. This bulletin is intended to encourage and enable your enthusiastic participation.

The staffed Nursery is available for little ones during and following the 9:30 service.

St. David's Welcomes You

St. David's Episcopal Church is committed to following Jesus' example of practicing radical hospitality, seeking to find God in all people because they are of sacred worth. We welcome all persons, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic or marital status. All are invited as full participants in the life and ministries of our community of faith.

St. David's Mission Statement

We at St. David's Episcopal Church are devoted to loving and serving God, one another and the world. Honoring the dignity and freedom of all to seek God at their own pace, we connect our life stories with the teachings of Jesus. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we believe our actions transform the world and ourselves.

Please note, this service is livestreamed and recorded on Facebook and YouTube.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Come Down, O Love Divine

Hymnal #516

Please stand as you are able.

A Penitential Order

Celebrant Wherever we travel

People **God is with us**

Celebrant Wherever we settle

People **God is in our midst**

Celebrant Whatever is ahead of us

People **God is there before us**

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins**

Celebrant Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God, our neighbor and ourselves.

Silence

You are invited to be seated, to kneel or to remain standing.

All **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.**

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.

People **Amen.**

Kyrie

Children ages 7-11 are invited to process out for The Peace Table, returning at the time of communion distribution.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff contains the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." and "Chri - ste e - lei - son." The second staff contains "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." The third staff contains "Lord, have mer - cy." and "Christ, have mer - cy." The fourth staff contains "Lord, have mer - cy." Each staff begins with a double bar line and a fermata, followed by a measure of rest marked with a '2' above the staff. The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for children's voices.

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Collect of the Day

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

We Hear and Respond to God's Word

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 honour 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126

At 8:00, the psalm can be found at page 782 in the Book of Common Prayer.



1. When God re - stored our com - mon life, our hope, our lib - er - ty,
2. We went forth weep - ing, sow - ing seeds in hard, un - yield - ing soil;
3. Great lib - er - at - ing God, we pray for all who are op - pressed.

at first it seemed a pas - sing dream, a wak - ing fan - ta - sy.
With laugh - ing hearts we car - ry__ home the fruit of all__ our toil.
May those who long for what is__ right with jus - tice now be blest.

A shock of joy swept ov - er__ us, for we had wept so long;
We praise the One who__ gave the__ growth, with voi - ces full and strong.
We pray for those who__ mourn this__ day, and all who suf - fer wrong;

the seeds we wa - tered once with tears sprang up in - to__ a song.
The seeds we wa - tered once with tears sprang up in - to__ a song.
may seeds they wa - ter__ now with tears spring up in - to__ a song.

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Second Reading **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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Hymn and reading of the Gospel.

O Word of God, come in - to this space. O Word of God, come
send us your grace. o - pen our minds; show us your truth.
Trans - form our lives a - new.

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The Gospel John 12:1-8

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

People **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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Leader	God of love hear the cry of those who yearn for love; families in conflict, those who feel neglected, unwanted, alone.
All	God of love, Hear our prayer
	God of justice hear the cry of those who yearn for justice; persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill-treated, broken.
	God of justice, Hear our prayer

God of peace
hear the cry of those who yearn for peace;
in Ukraine, Gaza, Sudan, and other battle zones,
frightened, fearful, anxious.

God of peace,

Hear our prayer

God of healing
hear the cry of those who yearn for healing
of body, mind or spirit.

We pray for...

(Please offer your own petitions, silently or aloud.)

God of healing,

Hear our prayer

God of mercy
Hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy;
convicted, in need of your grace,
contrite, humble, bowed down.

We pray for those who have died, especially...

(Please offer your own petitions, silently or aloud.)

God of mercy,

Hear our prayer

Celebrant

O God, who embraced us with perfect love and made us your people when we were yet strangers to you: be present with all refugees, immigrants, and displaced people throughout the world; may they know the consolation of your presence, and the liberating power of your love. Then give us grace, we pray, to extend ever wider your embrace in a world of exclusion, until all your children are knit together as beloved family in the perfect love that is your very heart, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was displaced among us, and who now lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

We Share in Holy Communion

Please stand, as you are able, while the offerings of bread and wine are presented. You may be seated until the singing of the Doxology, when we ask that you stand once more.

Offertory

Give Me Jesus

1. In the morn - ing when I rise, In the morn - ing when I
2. Dark ___ mid - night was my cry, Dark ___ mid - night was my
3. O ___ when I come to die, O ___ when I come to

1. rise, In the morn - ing when I rise, Give me Je - - sus.
2. cry, Dark ___ mid - night was my cry, Give me Je - - sus.
3. die, O ___ when I come to die Give me Je - - sus.

Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus, You may

have all this world, Give me Je - sus.

Words: Traditional
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Doxology

On the first Sunday of each month we bring items forward to be donated to the ICA Food Shelf.

Glo-ry be to God, Cre - a - tor, and to the In - car - nate One,
a - do - ra - tion to the Spir - it, bond of love, in God - head one!
Blest be God by all cre - a - tion while e - ter - nal a - ges run!

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The Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing as you are able.

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord
 God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious God: 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 Creator 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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.

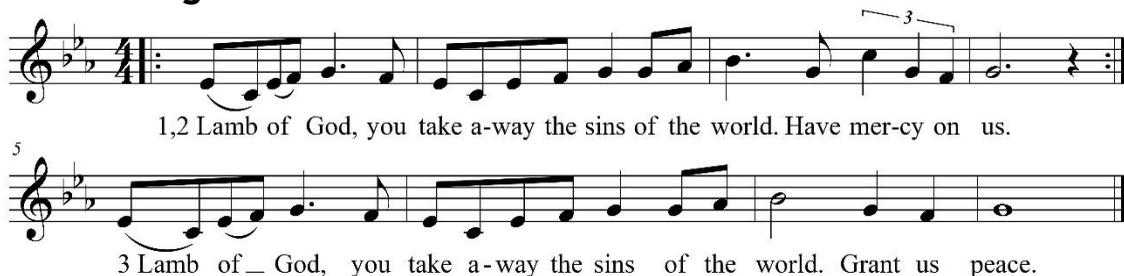
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



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

All **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



1,2 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world. Have mer-cy on us.

3 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

The Communion

We invite all people regardless of age or denomination to share in the Holy Communion at the Lord's table. Please come forward to receive the bread and wine. When receiving from the common cup, please do not intinct (dip the bread in the wine). If you wish to receive only the bread, you may remain in place at the rail, crossing your arms across your chest when the chalice bearer presents the cup, or return to your seat after receiving the bread. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you will not be receiving communion you are invited to receive a blessing. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

A prayer station is available in the All Saints' Chapel (Narthex) during the distribution of communion. Any who wish may ask for prayers for themselves or on behalf of others.

Communion Hymns

By Your Cross

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'By Your Cross'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass clef staff. The lyrics are: 'We a - dore you, O Je - sus Christ, for by your cross you re - deemed the world.' The music is in a minor key and 4/4 time. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the next two lines. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

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When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hymnal #474

Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

On those days when the parish sends out Lay Eucharistic Visitors to those who cannot attend the liturgy, the Bread is presented to the Visitors at the altar, using this form.

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share the one bread and the one cup.**

Prayer after Communion

All **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

We Go into the World in God's Name

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

O God, our times are in your hands. Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, Sovereign of the universe, who in your steadfast love made a covenant with your people Israel and consummated it through the death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ: Let these servants' covenant promises be a sign of your mercy, forgiveness, and ardent desire; that through their common life, you may bind up the broken-hearted, and reconcile all things in heaven and on earth; in the power of your life-giving Spirit. Amen.

A Prayer of Send-Off

The Blessing

Departing

Lord Jesus, Sun of Righteousness

Hymnal #144

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Want to read more about what's going on at St. David's? Visit our website stdavidsparish.org or check out the weekly email for announcements!



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