



## Fifth Sunday in Lent

The Holy Eucharist  
March 22, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Preacher:  
The Rev. Lauren R. Holder

Celebrant:  
The Rev. Grace M. Rigby



**St. Martin's  
in-the-Field**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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# Welcome to St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church

*Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP);  
all are invited to participate fully in our worship of God this morning.*

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I - 8:00 A.M.

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#### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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*Join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Narthex following this morning's worship service.*

*\* We use this prayer during the season of Lent.*

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Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), Enriching Our Worship, The Hymnal 1982 (H) and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (L). We invite you to participate fully in our worship service, by both singing joyfully and with spoken responses which appear in **bold**. We livestream our 10:00 a.m. service

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II - 10:00 A.M.

Please enter the sanctuary quietly before and during the prelude.

**PRELUDE:** Harpsichord Concerto No. 5 In F Minor, BWV 1056, 2. Largo

Johann Sebastian Bach arr. Alfred Cortot

### WELCOME

All stand and sing.

**OPENING HYMN:** Lift High The Cross

H 473

### THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. **God's mercy endures for ever.**

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*

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

### TRISAGION

All sing three times.

HS 102

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you. **And also with you.** 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.**

### FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*The Psalm is prayed responsively by whole verse.*

### PSALM 130

- <sup>1</sup> Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- <sup>2</sup> **If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?**
- <sup>3</sup> For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.
- <sup>4</sup> **I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.**
- <sup>5</sup> My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.
- <sup>6</sup> **O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy;**
- <sup>7</sup> With him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

### SECOND READING

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

*As we sing the Sequence Hymn, children who wish to attend Children's Chapel are invited to gather in the back of the church with the Children's Chapel adult leaders. Children's Chapel is located in the music room. The children will return during the Peace.*

*All stand and sing.*

SEQUENCE HYMN: *O Spirit Of Life, O Spirit Of God*

H 505

### THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 11:1-45

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Judeans were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Judeans had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Judeans who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Judeans who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Judeans said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Judeans therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Lauren R. Holder

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.**

*In our parish family prayers are requested for: Alex, John, Rosemary, Alec, Mary, Eileen, Susan, Cris, Barbara, George, Jim, Kiera, Mike, Marie, Emma, Brett, Katie, Lew, Karen, Suzanne, Greg, Bruce, David, Joey, Michele, Kerry, Carter, Amalia, Kip, Wilma, Merla, Mike, the Carman family, Kevin, Sarah, Jared, Bill, Jax, Brody, Matt, and Kyle.*

**THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**



**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GIVING**

The Offertory is when we make a sacred gift to God as part of our worship. You can leave a donation in the plate being passed by the ushers or give online by scanning the QR code or via our website at <https://stmartinsinthefield.com/giving/> Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Martin's-in-the-Field.

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** *Nearer, Still Nearer*

Arr. Lloyd Larson

*All stand and sing.*

**PRESENTATION HYMN:** *Eternal Lord Of Love*

H 149, v. 1

**Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church  
Walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent,  
Led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,  
Moved by your love and toward your presence bent:  
Far off yet here—the goal of all desire.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A**

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.	
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.	
<i>Celebrant</i>	
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	
<i>People</i>	
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.

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, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
 Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosanna in the highest. 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: **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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

#### 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.**

#### FRACTION ANTHEM

*All sing.*

H S 158

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
 O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
 O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

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COMMUNION HYMN: *Take My Hand, Precious Lord*

L 106

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me  
 2. When my way grows— drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
 3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws—

1. stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
 2. near, When my life is al - most gone;  
 3. near, And the day is past and gone;

1. — Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the  
 2. — Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I  
 3. — At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.  
 2. fall, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.  
 3. hand, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.

COMMUNION HYMN: *Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus*

H 336

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

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

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you, now and always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: *I Am The Bread Of Life*

H 335

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*After the dismissal, you may remain seated for the postlude or exit to the Narthex.*

POSTLUDE: *Benediction*

Claude L. Bass

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