

St. Paul's Church, 166 High Street, Newburyport, MA

March 7, 2021, The Third Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Year B, Holy Eucharist Rite II

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Prelude: “Preludio” and “Allemanda” (from Sonata in D Minor for Cello and Piano)

Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)

Priscilla Bellairs, cellist

Opening Hymn “The spacious firmament on high”

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Unison or harmony

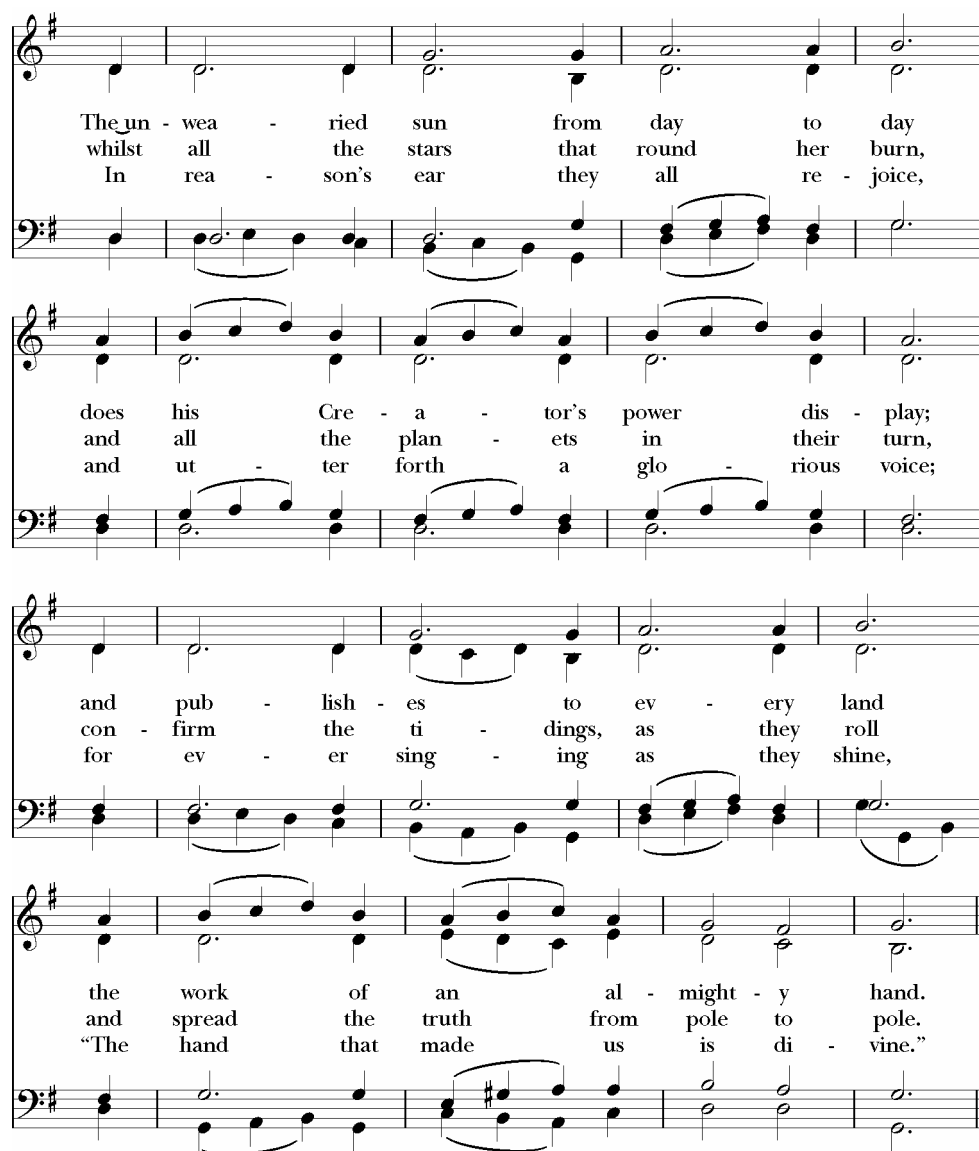
The musical score is written for a unison or harmony setting. It consists of four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are as follows:

1 The spa - cious fir - ma - ment on high,
2 Soon as the eve - ning shades pre - vail,
3 What though in sol - emn si - lence all

with all the blue e - ther - eal sky,
the moon takes up the won - drous tale,
move round the dark ter - res - trial ball?

and span - gled heavens, a shin - ing frame,
and night - ly to the lis - tening earth
What though no re - al voice nor sound

their great O - rig - i - nal pro - claim.
re - peats the sto - ry of her birth:
a - mid their ra - diant orbs be found?



The un - wea - ried sun from day to day
whilst all the stars that round her burn,
In rea - son's ear they round all re - joice,

does his Cre - a - tor's power dis - play;
and all the plan - ets in their turn,
and ut - ter forth a glo - rious voice;

and pub - lish - es to ev - ery land
con - firm the ti - dings, as they roll
for ev - er sing - ing as they shine,

the work of an al - might - y hand.
and "The spread of the truth from pole to pole.
"The hand that made us is di - vine."

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: **God's mercy endures forever.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant & People: **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.**

Confession & Absolution

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

Silence.

Leader & 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.

The Celebrant stands and says

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**

Kyrie

The musical score for the Kyrie is presented in three systems, each with a Cantor part and an Assembly part. The music is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The Cantor part is on a single staff, and the Assembly part is on a single staff. The lyrics are: Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy. *Assembly:* Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Christ, have mer - cy. *Assembly:* Christ, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy. *Assembly:* Lord, have mer - cy.

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

First Reading: Exodus 20:1 – 17

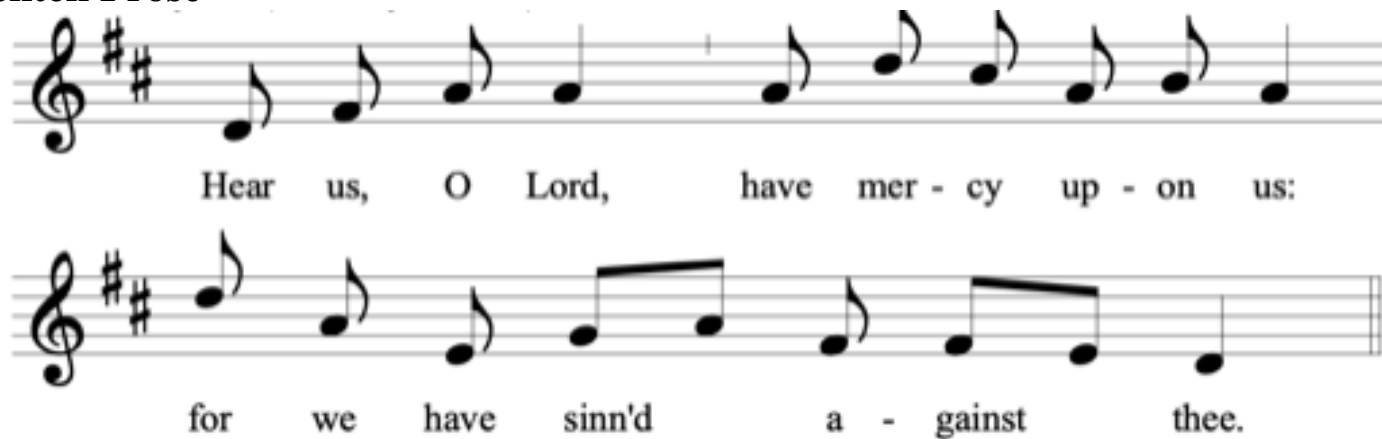
Reader: A Reading from the book of Exodus.

God spoke all these words to Moses on Mount Sinai: “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Lenten Prose



- 3 God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated : bow down
and hearken to thy weeping children : pity and pardon
all our grievous trespasses. *Refrain.*

Psalm paraphrase: "The stars declare his glory"

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1 The stars de - clare his glo - ry; the vault of hea - ven springs
2 The dawn re - turns in splen - dor, the hea - vens burn and blaze,
3 So shine the Lord's com - mand - ments to make the sim - ple wise;
4 So or - der too this life of mine, di - rect it all my days;
mute wit - ness of the Mas - ter's hand in all cre - a - ted things, and
the ris - ing sun re - news the race that me - asures all our days and
more sweet than hon - ey to the taste, more rich than an - y prize, a
the med - i - ta - tions of my heart be in - no - cence and praise, my
through the si - lenc - es of space their sound - less mu - sic sings. _____
writes in fire a - cross the skies God's ma - jes - ty and praise. _____
law of love with - in our hearts, a light be - fore our eyes. _____
rock, and my re - deem - ing Lord, in all my words and ways. _____

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:18 – 25

Reader: A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Church in Corinth.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

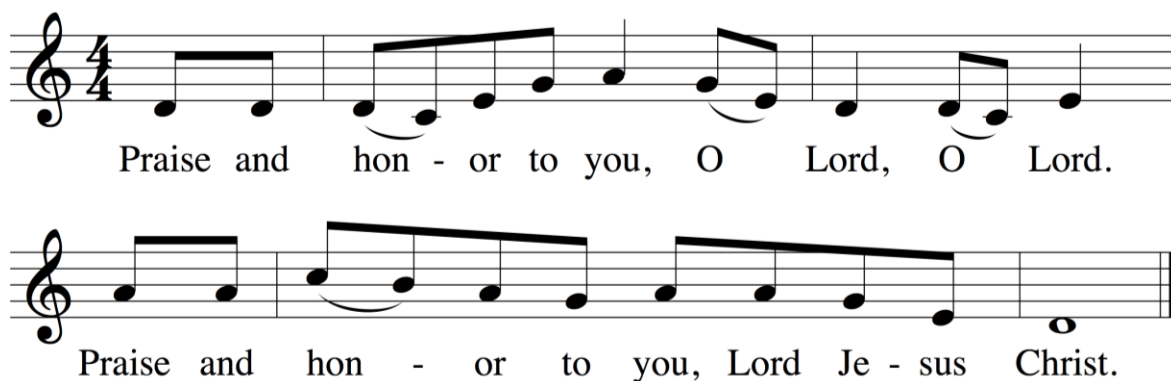
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Lenten Gospel Acclamation

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Stephen Pishner

based on WONDROUS LOVE



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Holy Gospel: John 2:13 – 22

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you***

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

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

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this

temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Fr. Jarred

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,
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 and the Son,
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: Form IV

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all 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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Among those who have asked for our prayers, we pray for:

Talia Duff—Niece of Lorrie and Jeff Jones

Stephen Jones—Nephew of Lorrie and Jeff Jones

Betty Moberger – Sister-in-law of Ingrid Sanborn

Marilyn Diehl – Friend of Ingrid Sanborn

Jill Davila – Niece of Carole Bishop

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Willard Hadley - Parishioner

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died especially Walter Blumenscheid, Frances Caulkins and Patricia Wall, and all those whose anniversary falls at this time, that your will for them be fulfilled and that they may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Rejoicing in our fellowship with Blessed Mary, Paul and all your saints, we offer our whole lives to you and in a moment of silence our own prayers.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be with you always.

People: ***And also with you.***

*All share signs of Christ's peace with one another,
especially seeking to amend any hurts or conflicts.*

MINISTRY OF THE TABLE

The offering is taken and the altar is set for the Eucharist.

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name, bring offerings and come into his courts.

Offertory: “Sarabanda” and “Giga” (from Sonata in D Minor for Cello and Piano)

Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)

Eucharistic Prayer

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 God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

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:

Sanctus: "Holy, holy, holy Lord"


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Cantor, then all:




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might.

Cantor:




Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

All:




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

All:




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

Cantor:




Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Cantor, then all:



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

Last time 

The Celebrant continues

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer

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 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, according to his command, O Father:

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

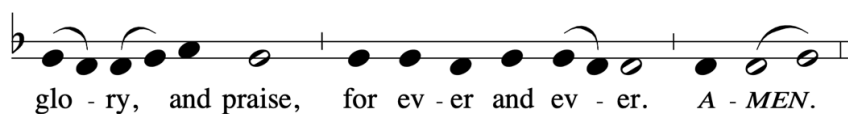
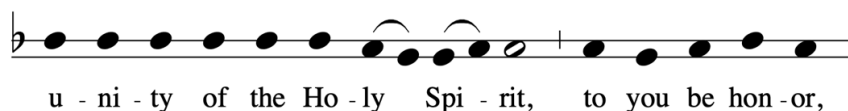
We await his coming in glory;

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 Blessed Mary, Paul, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children;

The Celebrant continues with the Doxology, to which all respond with the "great Amen."



The Celebrant then continues

As our Saviour taught us, now we pray:

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen

Fraction: The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ

People: ***We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.***

Agnus Dei: "Jesus, Lamb of God"

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Cantor sings verse 3; all repeat verse 3 then all sing verse 5

1. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Bear - er of our sins,
2. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Sav - ior of the world, have
3. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Bread come down from heav'n,
4. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Shep - herd of our souls,

Assembly: *repeat as needed*
mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Cantor:
5. Je - sus, Lamb of God, gen - tle Prince of peace,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

Assembly:
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

*People: Lord I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed*

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

Celebrant: As we are not all gathered to receive the sacrament together, we pray this prayer of spiritual communion:

All: Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Post-Communion Anthem: “Lenten Prayer” setting by Jane Marshall (1924-2019)

Almighty God, graciously behold your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.
(from *The Book of Common Prayer*)

After communion the Celebrant continues:

Let us pray.

Celebrant & People

Almighty and everliving God,
*we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.*
*And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

Blessing and Dismissal

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

The celebrant pronounces a blessing, after which all respond

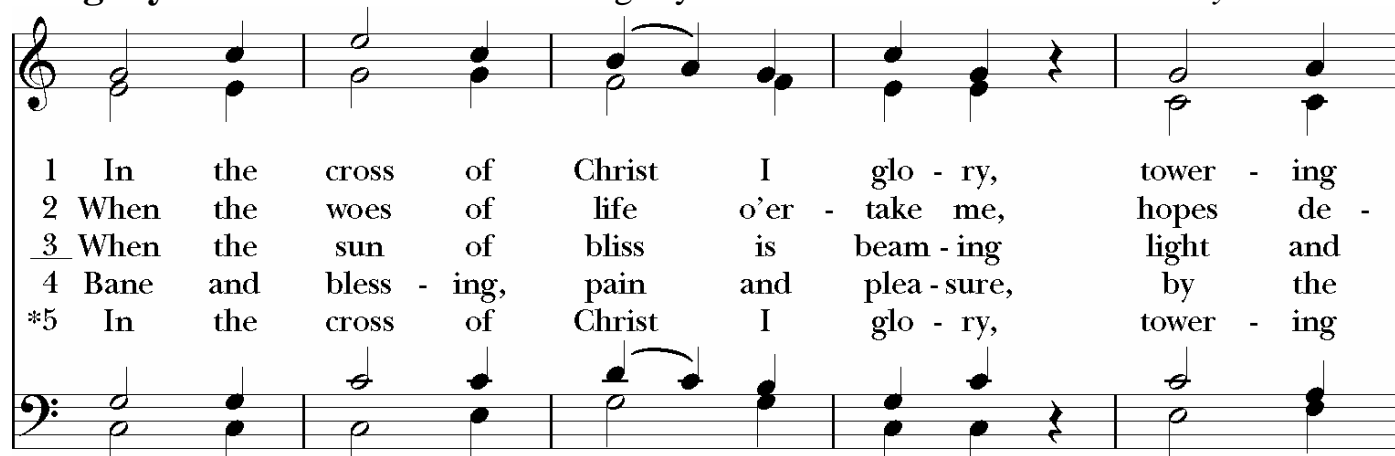
Amen.

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Closing Hymn: "In the cross of Christ I glory"

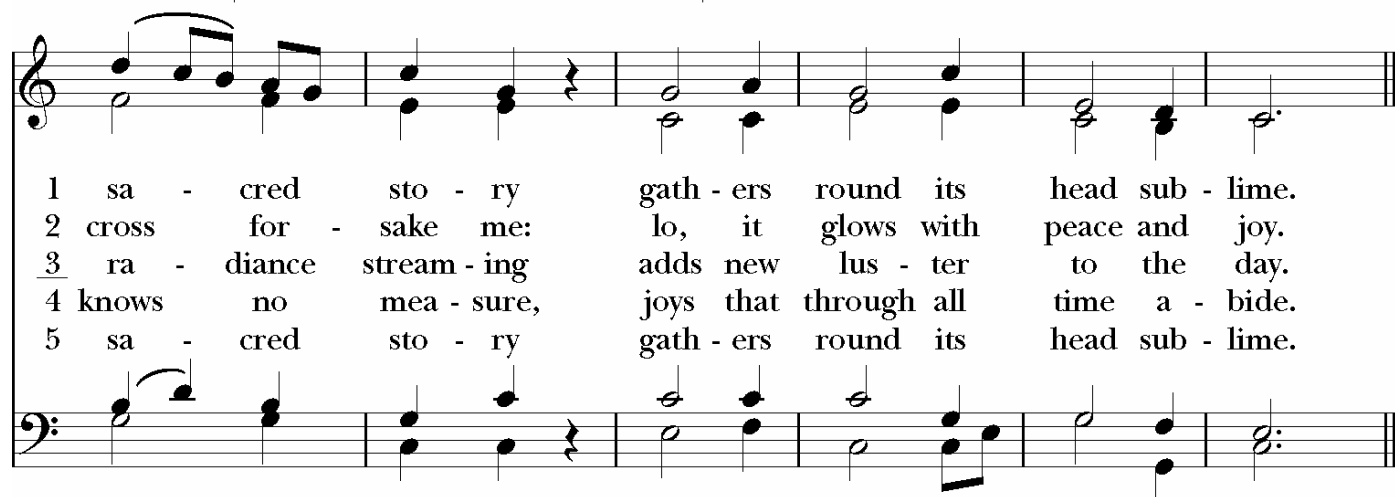
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1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the
 *5 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing



1 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of
 2 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
 3 love up - on my way, from the cross the
 4 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that
 5 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of



1 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 2 cross for - sake me: lo, it glows with peace and joy.
 3 ra - diance stream - ing adds new lus - ter to the day.
 4 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.
 5 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

The postlude is omitted during Lent.

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TODAY’S SERVICE LEADERS

Clergy: The Rev. Dr. Jarred A. Mercer

Music Director: Mark Meyer

Choir: Richard Blumenscheid, Elaine Bucher, Joyce Cejka, Virginia Meyer, Jane Niebling

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Doug Peck

Lector: Carole Bishop

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Cycle of Prayer

Today as we worship we keep in our prayers the *Parishes of the Cape & Islands Deanery*; Church of St. Mary of the Harbor, Provincetown; St. John's Church, Sandwich; St. David's Church, South Yarmouth; Grace Church, Vineyard Haven; Ministries with the Aging, and in the *local cycle of prayer*: Central Congregational Church, Newburyport.

Prayer List

Person to Pray for and Relationship

Allison Flynn – Niece of Sue Olson & Nancy Jukins

Eve Steinberg – Friend of Sue Olson & Nancy Jukins

Judy Abby – Parishioner

Debby Demopoulos – Sister of Pat Maslen

Marya Toffey – Niece of Ann Winslow

Keetah Life – Parishioner

Stephen Mathis – Friend of Priscilla Bellairs

Talia Duff—Niece of Lorrie and Jeff Jones

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Karen – Friend of the Budzyna family

Theresa Winslow – Mother of Ed Winslow

Olin Braids – Brother of Priscilla Bellairs

Karen & Richard Greene – Family of Wendy Colby

Betty Trowbridge – Friend of Donna Northam

Marie Buckman – Mother of Linda Davis Siess

Lois Schofield – Parishioner

Mary Snowdon – Parishioner

Ken Leistler – Friend of Susan Flint

David Sanborn – Brother of Wayne Sanborn

Laura Hobbs – Friend of Susan Flint

Jeanne Rainoldi – Friend of Ann Staffeld

Vikas Chandhoke – Friend of Alison & Peter Novello

Richelle Stephens – Friend of Susan Flint

Paul Lucas – Parishioner

John Coliano – Friend of Cathleen Williamson

Ann Davis – Friend of Cathleen Williamson

Donna & Bob Northam – Parishioners

Larry Blondin – Parishioner

Bethany Albritton – Grandniece of Judy Jester
Kristin Corning – Parishioner
Ron Trieff – Husband of Sheila Trieff
Nancy Burkholder – Sister-in-law of Pat Maslen
Jori Guldenstern
Susan Smith – Sister of Anne Tuthill
Donald Peck – Brother of Doug Peck
Rev. Connie Reinhardt – Friend of St. Paul's Church
Alan White – Friend of Susan Flint
Tim Coco – Friend of Susan Flint
Barbara Barnes – Cousin of Joyce Thayer
Jessica, Owen & Family – Friends of Gail Bishop-Davis
Alexander Schumann – Cousin of John Neale
Corey – Friend of Alison & Peter Novello
Kathy Steele – Friend of Ed Winslow
Richard Ellis - Friend of Pat Maslen
Karen Staffeld – Niece of Ann Staffeld
George Partaledis – Friend of Joyce Thayer
Mike Dichiaro Jr. – Friend of Susan Flint
Paula Curtis – Friend of Annie Winslow
Jane Robinson – Friend of Annie Winslow
Willard Hadley – Parishioner
Peggy Dunlap - Parishioner

Statement of Call - St. Paul's Church

St. Paul's is a Christian community where people are met and accepted without judgment for who they are and are adopted into a loving and caring family. Our faith provides a framework within which we explore, honor and celebrate the presence of God in daily experiences, especially in the crises, conflicts and transitions of life, and are thereby equipped to live fully in an increasingly complex and changing world

We believe we are called to center our life in Jesus Christ through a regular discipline of Eucharistic worship, scripture study and prayer.

We believe our faith leads us to fulfill our mission, which is to share ourselves and our resources with each other, our community and the world.

We believe we are called to discover and affirm our spiritual gifts and be responsible and committed ministers of these gifts in the name of Jesus Christ.

St. Paul's 2021 Vestry

Ed Winslow – Senior Warden
Karen Spangler – Junior Warden
Nick Ives – Treasurer
Deirdre Budzyna – Clerk

Shepherds

Class of 2024

Lorrie Jones
Lisë Reid

Class of 2023

Kerry Lagueux
John Neale
Alison Novello

Class of 2022

Vanessa Ayersman
Jane Niebling
Sam Walker

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