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The Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sunday March 17, 2024
9:00 am

Prelude: "Day by Day"

Robin Lamont

Announcements

Processional: "Glory and Praise To Our God"

Dan Schutte

Antiphon: Glory and praise to our God
Who alone gives light to our days
Many are the blessings He bears
To those who trust in His ways

1. We the daughters and sons of Him
Who built the valleys and plains
Praise the wonders our God has done
In every heart that sings *Antiphon*

2. In His wisdom He strengthens us
Like gold that's tested in fire
Though the power of sin prevails
Our God is there to save *Antiphon*

3. Every moment of every day
Our God is waiting to save,
Always ready to seek the lost
To answer those who pray *Antiphon*

4. God has watered our barren land
And spent His merciful rain
Now our rivers of life run full
For anyone to drink *Antiphon*

A PENITENTIAL ORDER: RITE TWO

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue led by Celebrant (*Kneel or sit*)

Hear the commandments of God to his people:
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.
You shall have no other gods but me.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Celebrant: 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.

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.**

Collect of the Day

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**

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 51:1-13

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.

5 And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.

6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.

7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.

11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.

12 Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.

13 Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: “Jesus Remember Me”

Jacques Berthier

**Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (12:20-33)
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love

their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Canon Andrew T. Gerns

Nicene Creed (*Stand*)

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 worshipped 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

Deacon: God made Christ a high priest for our salvation. As we prepare for the Paschal feast let us lift up our prayers and supplications to God through his Son, saying: *Lord, have mercy.*

Lector: For the Church: remembering Michael our Presiding Bishop, Douglas our Bishop; for Andrew, Jim, and Hugh, our priests, Kevin our Deacon, and all the holy people of God that they may know the Lord through the covenant of love written in their hearts, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Companion Dioceses of the Dominican Republic; Georgia; South Carolina; Western Louisiana, for the Diocese of Southwest Florida in particular Diocesan House, DaySpring Episcopal Conference Center and St. Thomas Chapel; St. Anselm's Chapel, University of South Florida Chapel Center; Florida Gulf Coast University, Ft. Myers; Episcopal College Chaplaincies: College of Florida Chaplaincy, Bradenton, the Clergy spouses and widows of our Diocese, and for the faithful in every place, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our parish family at St. John's, and for St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Clearwater, and Anne, their pastor, that in this holy season we may follow Christ in such faithfulness that we may be united with him in his death and resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our nation and all in authority: Joe our President, Ron our Governor, for the leaders of the nations, and all in positions of public trust, that God will give them the grace and will to work for peace, so that the broken body of the world may rejoice, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the grace to be women and men for others, that God will guide us in offering our lives in loving service to help others along life's journey, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who are suffering and oppressed for their faith or their race, those facing little deaths, loss or betrayal, and for all in need of our prayers, remembering especially: The Rev. Sister Helena Barrett, OSB, James Bernard, Gerry Boone, Barbara Bowdoin, Sally Brown, Bruce Cates, Ellie Curran, The Most. Rev. Michael B. Curry, Ann D'Alessandro, Graham Dunn, Kristy Foltz, John Genevie, Bette Knutson, Nan Lanham,

Mark Lelekacs, Norma McClellan, Kimberly McMillan, The Rev. George Razee, Eric Rummier, Gabe Runza, The Rt. Rev. Dabney Smith, Deborah Smith, Jackie Smith, Kitty Smith, Chrissy Stroup, The Rev. Kathleen Walter, Sandy Walton, and Bonnie Zwigaitis, and for the homebound, Elin Buchanan, Shirley Dunaway, Margarita Lopez, Hortense McGregor and Frank Sahms, and those known to us, that in Christ crucified they may find new life and strength, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who have died, that, as they have been sown with Christ in death, so may they also be part of Christ's abundant harvest in eternal life, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

I invite your prayers, thanksgivings, and intercessions, silently or aloud. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer, Blessed John the Evangelist, Blessed Paul the Apostle, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.
To you, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever.
Amen.

Children's Entrance **"Jesus Loves Me"**

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

(The people may greet one another with a wave, a nod or a namaste)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Presentation of Gifts (*Please stand as the gifts are brought forward*)

Offertory Anthem (*the people may sit*): “In The Garden” Traditional

I come to the garden alone
While the dew is still on the roses
And the voice I hear falling on my ear
The Son of God discloses.

Refrain: And He walks with me, and He talks with me
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.

He speaks, and the sound of His voice,
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing,
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing. *Refrain*

I'd stay in the garden with Him
Though the night around me be falling,
But He bids me go, through the voice of woe
His voice to me is calling. *Refrain*

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A (Stand)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: 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.

Here a proper preface is sung or said

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"

Jackie Conte Hymes

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord. Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord, God of power and might. Holy, holy, holy
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Holy, holy, holy
Hosanna, Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes, blessed is he who comes,
Blessed is he who comes, comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest**

Then the Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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 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**

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Celebrant and People: 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

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Communion

All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.

Please stand or kneel at the rail.

The priest will place the Sacrament in your outstretched hands.

Communion: "Have You Seen Jesus My Lord"

John Fischer

Refrain: Have you seen Jesus, my Lord?

He's here in plain view. Take a look

Open your eyes. I'll show Him to you.

Have you ever looked at the sunset,
with the sky mellowin' red,
and the clouds suspended like feathers?
Then I say.... You've seen Jesus, my Lord. *Refrain*

Have you ever stood at the ocean,
With the white foam at your feet,
Felt the endless thunderin' motion?
Then I say.... You've seen Jesus, my Lord. *Refrain*

Have you ever looked at the cross,
With a man hangin' in pain,
And the look of love in His eyes?
Then I say.... You've seen Jesus, my Lord. *Refrain*

Have you ever stood in the fam'ly,
With the Lord there in your midst,
Seen the face of Christ on your neighbor?
Then I say.... You've seen Jesus, my Lord. *Refrain*

Sending of Lay Eucharistic Visitors (*as needed*)

Following the communion of the people, the Lay Eucharistic Ministers come forward and are commended for this ministry with the following words:

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: We who are many are one body,

People: 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.

Solemn Prayer over the People:

The Celebrant says: Bow down before the Lord.

(A period of silence is kept. The people kneel or sit)

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. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: “How Great Thou Art”

Stuart Hine

O Lord My God, When I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain: Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. ***Refrain***

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing;
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin. ***Refrain***

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim: “My God, how great Thou art!” ***Refrain***

The Dismissal: **Thanks be to God.** (Alleluias are omitted in Lent)

Postlude: "Down By the Riverside"

Traditional

Gonna lay down my burden
Down by the riverside (3×)
Gonna lay down my burden
Down by the riverside

Chorus: I ain't gonna study war no more
Study war no more
Ain't gonna study war no more

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Join us for coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall immediately following the service.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 24 – Liturgy of the Palms, Holy Eucharist, 9 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, March 28–Foot Washing, Stripping of the Altar, Holy Eucharist, 7 pm

Good Friday, March 29 – Good Friday Liturgy – 12 Noon

Holy Saturday, March 30 - short Prayer Book service prior to turning the church for Easter - 9 a.m.

Easter Sunday, March 31– Festival Holy Eucharist – 9 a.m.

Announcements

An Altar Guild training will be held in the church on Saturday, March 23, 10 am-12 noon. All are welcome to attend.

Updates - St. Paul's Lutheran Church: The tentative plan is for the St. Paul's Wednesday Contemplative Worship to move to St. John's beginning on April 10, 7:15pm. That night will be Taizé Prayer with a joyful celebration fitting the Easter season. There will be an oboist, a harpist and a flute to accompany the service.

St. Paul's will move their Sunday worship to St. John's beginning Pentecost Sunday, May 19 with combined worship and fellowship together after the service. More information to follow.

Easter Plants for the Altar: It is time to make arrangements to decorate the Altar for Easter Sunday. Plants to beautify our Altar for Easter Sunday may be given as a memorial to loved ones or in thanksgiving for blessings received.

If you would like to order a plant, please fill out the insert in the bulletin (extra copies are on the table at the entrance to the church) and return by March 24 with a check payable to St. John's and marked "Easter plants." You may place the form and check in the offering basket or bring/mail them to the church office. Donations received by March 24 will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletins.

We ask for a minimum donation, if able, of \$25 per plant.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study – 10 am in the Parish Hall:

Our bible study meetings begin at 10:00am every Wednesday. We start with devotion/reflection lead by a volunteer. Someone also volunteers to provide a small snack. We begin with discussion of the presented reflection. After the discussion, we read and reflect on the daily reading found in Forward Day by Day. We then look at the readings that coincide with what will be read on the following Sunday. We try to cover the Old Testament, Gospel and Epistle readings as time permits. At times the discussion can be quite lively. We usually have 8-10 attending with one or two joining by Zoom. We conclude our study with intercessory prayer.

See Bob Courdway if you have any questions.

Adult Lenten Study – Wednesday Evenings, February 21-March 20, 6:30 p.m., Evening Prayer 6pm in the church followed by soup and

salad and discussion of book: *Will You?* A Lenten Study of Our Baptismal Promises, in the Parish Hall. Lent is a season where we think about our Life in Christ as we prepare for Easter. This year during Lent, our Evening Adult Study will look deeply into our Baptismal Life and the promises we made at Baptism through a new small group study and corresponding book, *"Will You?" A Lenten Study of Baptismal Promises*. This five-week Lenten small group study begins Wednesday evening February 21 and continues through March 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. *"Will you?"* offers daily reflections, examples of evangelism in action, and an invitation to think in new ways about the promises we make to God, each other, and ourselves in baptism. When we are initiated into the church with the water of baptism, we (or our sponsors) answered a series of questions called "the Baptismal Covenant." The first three questions echo the words of our creeds, our beliefs about God and the church. The last five questions focus on action—what we will do to live out our baptisms. Each question begins with the words: *"Will You?"*

Our evening class will be led by Karen and Anthony Campanaro. They will have the books available at the first class. A \$8 donation for the book will be gratefully accepted.

Episcopal Relief & Development (ER&D): Please give today to our Hurricane Relief Fund and help our partners and dioceses reach vulnerable communities devastated by catastrophic storms. The link to donate is in the enews.

Supporting Humanitarian Response to the Crisis in Ukraine: The link to donate directly is in the enews.

Episcopal Migration Ministries: Those who want to financially support these efforts can donate online (link is in the enews) or donate by mail and send checks to: DFMS-Protestant Episcopal Church US, P.O. Box 958983, St. Louis, MO 63195-8983. (Include Episcopal Migration Ministries and Afghan SIV's in the memo line.)

Thrift Shop Volunteers Needed! The Thrift Shop is looking for volunteers to work the front desk. There are two shifts – Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm or 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Please contact Caroline Barnett if you are interested. (727) 459-3650.

Prayer Chapel: The Chapel is open for anyone wishing individual prayer. Everyone is welcome to go to the Chapel after communion to receive prayer with a member of The Daughters of the King. Prayer requests are held in strict confidence.

Prayers for healing: On the third and the fifth Sunday, there will be healing prayers offered at the altar after the service.

Deadline for submission of articles for the bulletin is Tuesday, 3pm for the following Sunday bulletin.

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Weekly Schedule

Thrift Shop Hours

Tue, Thu & Sat 9:30 – 3:30

Retirees – Parish Hall

2nd Monday 10:00 am

Hand Bell Choir – Church

Tuesday 6:00 pm

Voice Choir – Church

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Wednesday Morning Bible Study – Parish Hall

Wednesday 10:00 am

Wednesday Evening Lenten Book Study, February 21-March 20, 6:30

p.m., Evening Prayer 6pm in the church followed by soup and salad and book discussion in the Parish Hall.

Men's Cursillo Grouping - Parish Hall

Thursdays 7:30 am

Fiber Art – Parish Hall

Thursdays 10:00 am



**Diocese of Southwest Florida
The Rev. Douglas Scharf, Bishop**

St. John's Mission Statement:
To love, to serve, to grow in Christ

Church Staff

Priest In Charge	The Rev. Canon Andrew T. Gerns
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Bonnie Lovell	Parish Life
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Bonnie Lovell	

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34

In a time of political and religious convulsions, Jeremiah comforts the people of both northern and southern Israel. Despite their past infidelity, God will act for his people, in a new way.

**ONE
STEP
FURTHER**
March 17, 2024

Hebrews 5:5-10

The author has outlined the role of the Jewish high priest. Now he compares, and contrasts, Christ with him.

John 12:20-33

The festival of Passover, an occasion when both Jews and others who hold God in awe, approaches – as does Jesus' death on the cross.

‘Agnus Day’ by Pastor Jim Wetzstein – John 12:20-33 – We all have our crosses to bear. Most of them aren’t.



Stewardship Snippet – John 12:20-33

Want God to honour you? “No problem,” says Jesus. The faithful steward will be found wherever Jesus is. Care to join him?