

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:30 and 10:30 am • March 17, 2024

THE VOLUNTARY: Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 639 J. S. Bach

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 709. O God of Bethel, by whose hand *Dundee*

A PENITENTIAL ORDER BCP 351

KYRIE ELEISON

8:30 Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

10:30 S-91, Willan (see pew card)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

THE CHILDREN'S HOMILY

After the homily, the children aged 3–11 are invited to process out for Christian Formation time in Curry Hall, Room 201. They will return at the Peace.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM: 51:1–13

8:30 *We will recite the psalm antiphonally by whole verse, beginning with the Narthex side.*

10:30 *We will chant the psalm in unison. S-414*



- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving- / kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my of- / fenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my / wickedness *
and cleanse me from my / sin.
- 3 For I know my trans- / gressions, *
and my sin is ever be- / fore 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 with- / in 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 in- / deed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and glad- / ness, *
that the body you have broken may re- / joice.
- 10 Hide your face from my / sins *
and blot out all my in- / iquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O / God, *
and renew a right spirit with- / in 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 a- / gain *
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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN: 628. Help us, O Lord, to learn

St. Ethelwald

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:20–33

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

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.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Stephanie Yancy

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Eternal and loving God, through the glorification of your son Jesus you have taught us to follow him through death into eternal life: Glorify your name in us, as we bring before you the concerns of the world, saying: Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Blessed Father, your Son Jesus has taught your Church that when a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it bears much fruit: Empower your people in our journey of sacrifice and compassion to follow Christ in such faithfulness that we may be glorified within him.

Create in us clean hearts, O God, **and renew a right spirit within us.**

Almighty One, you have driven out the ruler of this world through the glorification of Jesus: Put your law of love within the hearts of all who hold authority among the nations, that they may hear of joy and gladness, so that the broken body of the world may rejoice.

Create in us clean hearts, O God, **and renew a right spirit within us.**

Bring the joy of your saving help to all who suffer throughout the world, that they may hear of joy and gladness and be healed.

Create in us clean hearts, O God, **and renew a right spirit within us.**

Gracious God, you have promised that all who serve your beloved will be honored in your sight: Have mercy upon this community, that all may know you, from the least to the greatest, and follow in the way that Christ has shown us. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and for Sam and Jennifer, our Bishops. In the Anglican and Diocesan cycles of prayer, we pray for The Church in Wales; St. Luke's, Eden; Church of the Epiphany, Eden; Galloway Memorial Church, Elkin. We pray also for The Beloved Community at The Trees.

Create in us clean hearts, O God, **and renew a right spirit within us.**

Let our prayers ascend to Jesus, our eternal high priest, as we offer up our intercessions and supplications. We pray for the sick in our church community: Alice, Alice, Barbara, Beth, Betty, Bill, Carl, Diane, Don, Jack, Jan, Jane, Joan, Judy, Karen, Lloyd, Maggie, Marion, Marshall, Maxine, Mike, Nancy, Pam, Sherry, Steve, Steve, Waltye, and those we name now. *(The People may add their own petitions.)*

We pray also for our friends and family: Anna, Anthony, Beth, Buddy, Chase, Christine, Danielle, Destiny, Gemma, Gioia, Henry, Joe, John, John, Kelvin, Laura Benton, Licia, Mary, Michelle, Mike, Mike, Roy, Sara, Sylvia, Vivian, Wyllis, and those we name now. *(The People may add their own petitions.)*

We thank you for the incarnation of your son Jesus, who shares our sorrows and our joys. Hear our praise and thankfulness for all the blessings we enjoy. *(The People may add their own petitions.)* We pray for Catherine and Patrick and all other expecting a child.

We entrust into your life all of those who have surrendered their lives into your eternal keeping, especially Michael Mesko, Suzanne King, David Cummings, Neil Charles Sheehan, and those we name now. *(The People may add their own petitions.)*

Create in us clean hearts, O God, **and renew a right spirit within us.**

Give us the joy of your saving help again, and sustain us within your bountiful spirit, ohh God, as we follow Jesus in service to your world, that the salvation and qualification you have accomplished through his cross and resurrection may extend your eternal life throughout creation, now and forever. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR THE RECTOR SEARCH

BCP 818

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Call to Remembrance Richard Farrant

Call to remembrance, O Lord, Thy tender mercies and Thy loving kindness, which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to Thy mercy think Thou on me, O Lord, for Thy goodness.

THE HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (see pew card)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer C BCP 369

SANCTUS

8:30 BCP 367

10:30 S-114, Willan (see pew card)

THE LORD'S PRAYER Contemporary Version

**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 ANTHEM

8:30 Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

10:30 S-158, Willan (see pew card)

THE COMMUNION HYMN: 603. When Christ was lifted from the earth *St. Botolph*

**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.**

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

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. **Amen.**

THE FINAL HYMN: 495. Hail, thou once-despised Jesus!

In Babilone

THE DISMISSAL

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE VOLUNTARY: Hilf, Gott, daß mir's gelinge. BWV 624

J. S. Bach

YOUR GIVING	\$8,032.92	operating income
Week of March 10	– \$9,927.00	operating expenses (2024 budget)
	(\$1,894.08)	net shortfall

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY VESTRY 2024

<i>Wardens</i>	George Douglas (Senior) and Dave McKinnon (Junior)
<i>Members</i>	David Dykes, Hannah Harris, Roy Immelman, Charles Malone, Allison Martin, Julian McKimmon, Sarah O'Connor, Yvette Smith, Perry Suk, Sam Wesonga
<i>Officers</i>	Mike Rhaney (Treasurer), Anne Stokes (Clerk)



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We thank the following people for their service today:

CELEBRANT	The Rev. Ryan Parker
PREACHER	The Rev. Stephanie Yancy
MUSICIANS (10:30)	Bradley Burgess, Organist and Choirmaster The Nativity Choir
LECTORS	Mary-Benton Gordon (8:30) Marcia Perry, Becky Christian (10:30)
LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Rene Garces (8:30) Harlan Hagge, Anne Sena (10:30)
CRUCIFER (10:30)	Davis Dutton
TORCHES (10:30)	Vance Dutton, Reese Baker
BANNER (10:30)	Liam Clay
ALTAR GUILD	Robin Rhaney, Mary Kingsley, Julia Cavalier
ALTAR FLOWERS	Emilie Sigel
LIVESTREAM TECHNICIAN (10:30)	Alfred Christensen
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