

The Fifth Sunday in Lent March 17, 2024 Rite 2 Year B

Thank you for joining us in worship. We are glad you are here.

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## We Love God

St. Mark's is a community of people who believe in the power of God's love as expressed through God's son, Jesus Christ.

## We Love Each Other

Our love for God compels us to love and welcome others with open arms regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or social status.

## We Love Our Community

Our love for God compels us to serve our community by being active in service to those in need.

## We Love Our Faith

We celebrate our God, for each other and for our community through Episcopal worship that keeps us grounded in our faith.

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## **Holy Week Services:**

## The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, March 24th:

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am Remember to wear Red.

## Maundy Thursday, March 28th:

Service at 6:30 pm (with Washing of Feet)

## Good Friday, March 29th:

Services at 12 pm and 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross devotion available after each service.

## The Great Vigil, March 30th:

Service at 7:30 pm. *Bring bells to ring during the Gloria.* 

## Easter Sunday, March 31st:

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am.

#### **Preparing for Worship**

In today's hectic world, it is good to have time for silence. Take time to sit quietly and open yourself through silent prayer, meditation, or reading over the bulletin.

## Holy Eucharist-Rite Two The Word of God or The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Partita on "Jesus, Priceless Treasure," LV 49

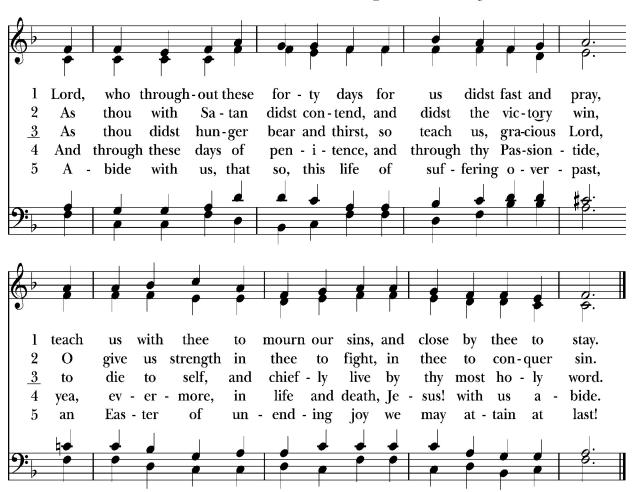
Fredrich Wilhelm Zachow

(Please stand as you are able)

**Hymn 142** (1982 Hymnal-Blue Book)

Lord, throughout these 40 days

St. Flavian



## Opening Acclamation

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

All: God's mercy endures for ever. AMEN.

#### Sentence

Presider: 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

#### The Confession

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

(Please kneel if you are able)

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.

#### The Absolution

Presider: 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.** 

(Please stand as you are able)

Kyrie Eleison (First time: Cantor, Second time: Congregation and Choir) Translation: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.





#### The Lectern

The lectern is the stand from which the Hebrew Scripture (First or Old Testament), the Psalm, and the Epistle (New or Second Testament) are read. It is a visible expression of the significance of Holy Scripture to the life of the church. In colonial churches, the lectern was often incorporated as the middle level of a multi-tiered pulpit.

#### The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: 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.** 

(Please be seated)

#### The Lessons

#### A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Tamara Orr

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.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-13 Miserere mei, Deus Tamara Orr

- 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.

#### A Reading from Hebrews

Hebrews 5:5-10

Kent Slonaker

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.

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## The Pulpit

The pulpit is reserved for the sermon suggesting the important role of reflecting on scripture. The canopy is designed to reflect sound and comes from the time when that was the means of amplification to the congregation.

The Gospel John 12:20-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John *All:* 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.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Children ages 4-11 are invited to join Malinda for Children's Worship.

(Please be seated)

The Sermon

The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett



## The Baptismal Font

Through the sacrament of baptism we become members of Christ's family – the church. The presence of the baptismal font in the church is a reminder of our own baptism and the commitments that we made or that were made on our behalf.

(Please stand as you are able)

#### The 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.

#### Prayers of the People

Becky Adams

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

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. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark and Gayle our Bishops; for the congregations and clergy of Emmanuel, Brook Hill, Richmond; N. Farnham, Warsaw; St. Dunstan's, McLean, and St. John's, Warsaw; for all our staff, Vestry and Ministry Teams.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

#### All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of humility, respecting and appreciating the gifts and contributions of all.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

#### All: 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. Have mercy on all victims of war and oppression. Help us to heal the brokenness caused by the sin of racism and to hear the Holy Spirit as she leads us in our response.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

## All: 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

#### All: 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. We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Michael, Jeanine, and Mary, and those celebrating anniversaries.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

#### All: Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially Fred, Karen, Keith, Betty, Lisette, Becky, Robin, Carole, Mike, Steve, Ethel, Margaret, Phyllis, Juette, Marsha, Diane, David, Samantha, Bill, Doris, Versann, Candace, Jerome, Lee, the Dummitt family, the Downey family, the Dykes Family, Tyrell, Sandra, Ceily, Wanda, the Hardison and Strite family, Lauren, Wayne, Clair, Ginny, Debbie, Ronnie, Caroline, Bianca, Shelby, Nicholas, the Sonant family, the Fiedler family, Alice, Garry, Will, Robin, Denise, Gloria, Henry, Gene, Karen, Rick, Amy, the Henderson family, Kristy, Martha, Randi, Marion, Hollis, and Donna. Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *All:* Hear our prayer.

## **Concluding Collect**

#### The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

(Please stand as you are able. All greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

(Please be seated)

## Announcements and News of the Church Community



## The Altar or Holy Table

The altar is a table, usually in the sanctuary which is the space that is generally behind the altar rail, on which the bread and wine used for the eucharist (or Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper) service are consecrated.

# The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table

**Invitation to Holy Communion** 



SCAN ME TO DONATE

(Remain seated)

Offertory

Wash me thoroughly

Text: Psalm 51:2-3

Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Wash me throughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me.

(Please stand as you are able)

## At The Presentation, Doxology

The 8th Tune

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.



#### The Communion Vessels

The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning Thanksgiving), or Holy Communion, is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is "an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace" in the words of *The Book of Common Prayer*. The vessels used are a chalice for wine, a paten for bread (or "host"), and a flagon for additional wine. They are placed on a square white linen cloth called the corporal.

(Please stand as you are able)

#### The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

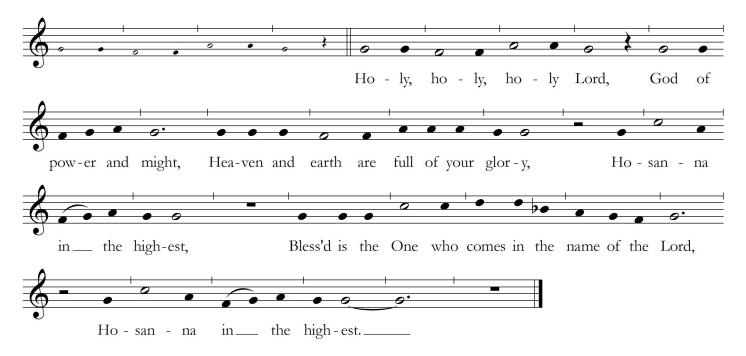
All: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where 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 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 Hirten



(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

*Presider:* 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:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider: 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**.

## The Lord's Prayer

Presider: 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,

forever and ever. AMEN.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

All: Therefore let us keep the feast.

#### Fraction Anthem, Agnus Dei

Hirten



Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Holy Communion: ALL are welcome to share in Communion.

## **Holy Communion**

Come forward as the ushers direct you. When you arrive at the rail you may put out your hands to receive the bread/wafer. You may then either consume it, dip it lightly into the chalice, or take a sip of wine from the chalice. If you prefer a blessing only - cross your arms across your chest.

If you have any mobility concerns please alert the usher and the clergy will bring communion to you. Led by the Third Sunday Communion Choir, with George Collier and Jeff Cowles, guitar



#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Presider: Let us pray.

All: 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 Ambry

The ambry is a cupboard located in the St. Mary Chapel which is at the right of the narthex (front entry of the church). It is used for reserving the consecrated hosts for communion in home or hospital visits for those who cannot attend Sunday worship and, in some Anglican Churches, to store the oil of chrism used for anointing. A light burns near it to indicate that it contains the sacrament.

#### The Solemn Prayer Over the People

*Presider:* 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.** 

#### Hymn

Spirit, open my heart



#### The Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Voluntary in G, Op. 87

Flor Peeters

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#### Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

<u>Parishioners:</u> Fred Crowley, Karen Franklin, Keith MacKay, Betty Leviner, Lisette Johnson, Becky Lee, Robin Goodman, Carole Shahda, Mike Oliver, Steve Row, Ethel Kutteroff, Margaret Franklin, Phyllis Iverson, Juette Iverson, Marsha Iverson, Diane Hoover, David Christiana, Samantha Ridley, Bill Piercy, and Doris Enroughty.

Our extended family and friends: Versann Delva, Candace Franco, Jerome Manigault, Lee Hyden, the Dummitt family, the Downey family, the Dykes Family, Tyrell, Sandra Pone, Ceily Poh, Wanda Ferguson, the Hardison and Strite family, Lauren Contner, Wayne Purintun, Clair Schreck, Ginny Jones, Debbie Kaufman, Ronnie, Caroline, Bianca Constance, Shelby, Nicholas, the Sonant family, the Fiedler family, Alice, Garry Land, Will, Robin, Denise Early, Gloria Wiley, Henry Pegram, Gene Shelton, Karen Sokohl, Rick McGeorge, Amy Burks, the Henderson family, Kristy Rose, Martha, Randi Smith, Marion Broome, Hollis Daniels, and Donna Raubenstine.

Those celebrating birthdays: especially Michael Spanel, Jeanine Maruca, and Mary Clark.

Those celebrating anniversaries:

Those who have died:

<u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:</u> Pray for the congregations and clergy of Emmanuel, Brook Hill, Richmond; N. Farnham, Warsaw; St. Dunstan's, McLean, and St. John's, Warsaw.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of humility, respecting and appreciating the gifts and contributions of all.

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#### All are Welcome Here

Diverse, Urban, Eucharist Centered, Service-Oriented

## Thank you for joining us.

Please let us know how we may encourage you to serve the Lord with us by filling out the "Welcome" card found in the rack in front of you and placing it in the Offering Plate.

You may also speak to any clergy or greeters following the worship service.

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