

Voluntary Give Me Jesus Spiritual, arr. Carolyn Hamlin (b. 1935)

For the Procession

Hymn 690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah Cwm Rhondda

Hear the words of Jesus: You shall love God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first Law of God, and the second is like it:

You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two laws hang the whole of scripture.

The Peace

He will not command legions of angels nor ride the machine of holy war; he will become a slave, take our hate into his heart and win us with forgiveness, for he is God's unexpected peace.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The Confession

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Kyrie S-96 Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Undignified God, spirit of dangerous feasts, inviting the unclean to your table; find us in the far country of hopelessness and greed; free us from the prison of resentment and envy, and bring us back to life; through Jesus Christ, the friend of sinners. *Amen.*

The First Lesson Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

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

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 140 Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I begun Donne

The Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So

we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 620 Jerusalem, my happy home Land of Rest

The Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. James B. Flowers

The Nicene Creed [Book of Common Prayer, p. 358](#)

The Prayers of the People

Be glad and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all you who are true of heart. Having been reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us pray, "God, let your mercy embrace us; *accept our prayer.*"

Gracious God, you have entrusted to your Church the ministry of reconciliation. Reconcile our members to you and to each other, and then work through us to embrace the world.

Silence

God, let your mercy embrace us;

Accept our prayer.

Open our hearts to welcome sinners as you welcome us. Give us eyes to see others, not from a human point of view, but as you see them.

Silence

God, let your mercy embrace us;

Accept our prayer.

Jesus, you are the true bread which gives life to the world: evermore give us this bread that our souls may be satisfied. And satisfy our bodies with abundant produce from the land.

You are invited to add your thanksgivings.

Silence

God, let your mercy embrace us;

Accept our prayer.

We pray, O God, for families. Restore broken relationships. Heal those who have suffered betrayal and alienation. Comfort those for whom reconciliation in this life is not possible. Shield those with reason to celebrate.

Silence

God, let your mercy embrace us;

Accept our prayer.

You, O God, are a hiding place for those in trouble: you deliver the oppressed; you forgive the guilty; you roll away the disgrace of your people. We make our prayers to you for those in trouble.

You are invited to add your petitions.

Silence

God, let your mercy embrace us;

Accept our prayer.

Holy Jesus, it is our prayer that you may live in us, and we in you, both in this mortal life and for all eternity.

Silence

God, let your mercy embrace us;

Accept our prayer.

Concluding Collect

O God, your mercy endures forever. Hear the prayers of your people. And grant us the strength and the courage to walk in your ways, all the days of our lives.

In the name of Jesus, we pray. *Amen.*

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

All are welcome to receive the bread and wine at the altar. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. The bread is received in the open palm. The wine is taken by drinking from the chalice (please help guide it to your mouth by holding the base of the chalice). Gluten-free wafers are available by request, by placing one hand across your chest. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. Please cross your arms across your chest to receive it.

The Offertory Goin' Home A. Dvorak, arr. Paul Langford

Goin' home, goin' home, I'm a-goin' home; quiet like, some still day, I'm just goin' home. It's not far, just close by, through an open door; work all done, care laid by, goin' to fear no more. Mother's there expecting me, Father's waiting too; lots of folk gathered there, all the friends I knew. Morning star lights the way, restless dreams all done. Shadows gone, 'til the break of day, real life's just begun. There's no break, there's no end, just a-living on; wide awake, with a smile, goin' on and on. Goin' home, goin' home, I'm just goin' home. It's not far, just close by, through an open door; I'm just goin' home. Words by William Arms Fisher (1861-1948)

Presentation Hymn 469 There's a wideness in God's mercy St. Helena

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

Sursum Corda and Proper Preface

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 our thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. *Glory to you for ever and ever.* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. *By your will they were created and have their being.* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. *Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace. *By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus S-124 David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, *We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.* Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Lord God of our Mothers: God of Miriam, Deborah, and Hannah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. *Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.* Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
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 S-156 Gerald Near (b.1942)

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.
God of this feast beyond measure and price, we thank you for meeting us in our brokenness so that none might be lost: liberate us now to share bread with our neighbor, each receiving from the other what we need to be ourselves. Amen.

Post-Communion Hymn 686 *Come, thou fount of every blessing* Nettleton

The Blessing

May the crucified Christ shatter our brittle fear, draw all people to his glory, and make us servants living for the world; and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you forever. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!
Thanks be to God!

For the Procession *Toccata* Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Please remain in place until the procession is completed.
The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.
Reception follows in the parish house.

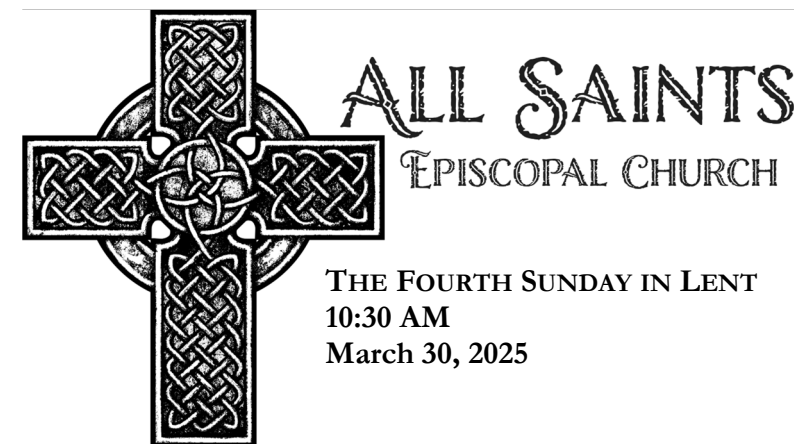
Serving today:

Lectors: Kathryn Hedlund, Janet Hinton
Intercessor: Gabby Posadas
Chalice: Duncan Cooper
Crucifer: Graham MacDonald
Book: Henry MacDonald
Ushers: Henry Brewster, Maggie Prestridge
Vestry Greeter: Lucy Cope
Altar Guild: Barbara Caddell, Lucy Cope, Patricia Donalson
Bread: Cynthia Donnell
Flowers: Katharine Flowers
LEV: Molly Allison (Dillard)

Upcoming schedule:

Sun, Mar 30 7:45a Nursery opens
 8a Holy Eucharist, church
 9a Breakfast, Stirling Hall
 9:15a Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm
 9:15a-10:15a Godly Play classes, Parish House (upstairs)
 9:30a Adult Sunday School, Smith Rm
 10:30a Holy Eucharist, church
 Reception follows, Parish House
Mon, Mar 31 7p AA, Smith Rm
Wed, Apr 2 8a Food Share distribution, Stirling Hall
 6p AA, Smith Rm
 6:30p Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm
Thu, Apr 3 6p Lenten Evening Prayer, church
Sat, Apr 5 2p Prism, Youth Rm

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
10:30 AM
March 30, 2025

Welcome to All Saints!

We are a community of faith who seek to continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers; who seek to serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves; who strive for justice and peace among all people; and respect the dignity of every human being. *Baptismal Covenant, BCP, p.304*

If you are visiting please make yourself known to us either face to face, via the information cards in the pew racks, or via email: office@allsaintsmobile.org
Sign up for our parish newsletter! <https://www.allsaintsmobile.net/the-herald/>

New to The Episcopal Church? Here are a few websites that can help explain our style of worship and any unfamiliar terminology (watch any videos later!):
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/dfms/what-to-expect-when-you-visit/>
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/who-we-are/lgbtq/>
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/racial-reconciliation/>
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/>

We begin worship in holy silence.

*Please silence all cell phones. In the tradition of the church, prayer posture is standing or kneeling. Our preference at All Saints is standing, but kneeling is acceptable. The red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) & the blue Hymnal 1982 are in the book rack in front of you. Hymn numbers preceded by "S" are found in the front section of the hymnal. Words written in **Bold Italics** are said by the congregation.*

Please keep in your prayers...

For healing for: Carolyn Thornton, Brandon, Peggy Barnett, the Simpson family, the Carr family, the Landrum family, James Lee Quinn, Monica Thompson, Mary Hunter Slaton, Chip Deupree, Clayton Ryan, Dana Pollock, Cora Lou Robinson, Paul and Tracy, Geneva Piloto, Karen Bullock, Buck Baker, Albert Corte, Robin Steele, Lequita Adkins, Phyllis Smith, Ruth LaMonte, Bryan LaPorte, Emily Callaway, Will Strickland, Sue Elledge, Bruce Barrett, Lister Thomas, David Powers, Sue Aiken Zundel, Nick Nichols, Meg Stojanik, Jan Cade, Chuck Salmon, Serena Willcox, Claudia McClure, Caden Gray, Mary, Richard Cade, Jr., Hannah Pullins, Cora Cade Lemmon, Becky Wilson, Rose Ellen Stanbery, Adele Smith, Marcia Wyatt, Jacky Bell, Eve Morrison, Colleen, Ann Wesley, Staci Smith, Andi Barrett, Ken Buford, Dottie Dunnam, Gwyn Brantley, Mark Kidd, Lynn Koors, Mary Rose, Preston Griffith, Jan Irving, Frieda Kennedy, Hoagy, Tom Root, Shannon, Regina, Brian Davidson, Debra Guyton, John Gibson Baylor, Jr., Donna Bowcock, Rita Foust, Haley, Jill, Jennifer Smith, Garn Menell, Shannon Cook

For those who serve in the armed forces: especially Bernie Waters, David Palmer, David L. Ritter II, Ethan Roberts, Thomas Roberts, Nyirou Kuot, Matt Abbot, Stephen Rollins, Trevor Thiel

For those who have died.

**Please notify the church office by the last Wednesday of the month if you wish your prayer concern to continue to be listed.*