

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 15, 2026 YEAR A

Welcome

Welcome to St. Mark's Episcopal Church! Whether this is your first time or thousandth time in worship with us, we are so glad you are here. St. Mark's is an inclusive community of faith, committed to celebrating God's creative love in all people. Together, we strive to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God. You are welcome here—in worship, at the communion table, and in our walk together.

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship each week, you are invited to find a comfortable space to sit quietly and listen to the prelude. The prelude is the first part of worship, setting the tone for what is to come and helping God's people to unplug from the rhythms of daily life and prepare for a time of worship. We hope this musical offering will resonate in your soul and invite you into our worship practice.

Prelude “Tierce en Taille”

François Couperin (1668-1733)

The Penitential Rite

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation.

People ***Who bears our burdens and forgives our sin. Amen.***

Presider Blessed be our God.

People ***Now and for ever. Amen.***

Presider Blessed be our God, who redeems our lives from the grave,

People ***And crowns us with steadfast love and mercy. Amen.***

Presider Blessed be our God, who leads us besides still waters.

People ***Blessed be our God for we shall not want.***

Presider Blessed be our God, who restores our souls.

People ***Blessed be our God our shepherd and guide.***

Presider Blessed be our God, who walks with us through the valleys of the shadow of death.

People ***Blessed be our God for ever and ever. Amen.***

Presider Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love;

People ***for we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us.***

Presider Create in us a clean heart, O God,

People ***and make us a new creation. Amen.***

Presider “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.” 1 John 1:8,9

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as able

Opening Hymn VF 93 “God, creator, source of healing”

see insert

The Presider then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider Our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

People ***We confess to you, O God.***

Presider Our self-indulgence, and our exploitation of other people, our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

People ***We confess to you, O God.***

Presider For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts towards our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

People ***Accept our repentance, O God.***

Presider For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,

People ***Accept our repentance, O God.***

Presider Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;

People ***Favorably hear us, for your mercy is great.***

Presider

May the Eternal God forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ Jesus our Lord. ***Amen.***

Kyrie Hymnal S98

Mathias

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

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

Presider Together let us pray.

(In unison) Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lesson: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass

before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

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

Psalm 23 *see page 6*

The Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches

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

Sequence Hymn 465 “Eternal light, shine in my heart” *Blue 1982 Hymnal*

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to John.

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

The Gospel: John 9:1-41

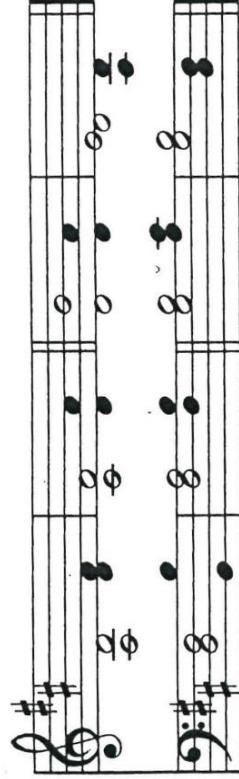
As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to

him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know. They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were

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Psalms 23

Dominus regit me



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- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's
sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those
who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life; *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for - ever.

born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Homily

The Rev. Delaney Schlake-Kruse

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Let us declare our faith in God.

The Nicene Creed: Adapted (Inclusive and Expansive Language)

We believe in one God, the Holy One, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word of God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Creator; through whom all things were made. For us and for our salvation this Word came down from heaven: was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and born of Mary, and became truly human. For our sake Jesus was crucified under Pontius Pilate; suffered death and was buried. On the third day Christ rose again, in accordance with the Scriptures; ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Creator. Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and God's reign will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Creator; who with the Creator and the Christ 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

Leader Jesus anointed the eyes of the man born blind. As we make our journey to the paschal feast, let us earnestly beseech God to give new sight to all people everywhere, praying, ***“Have mercy, O Lord.”***

We pray for the church throughout the world, that we may live as children of light;

For Sean our Bishop, for Deon our Bishop, for Delaney and Jerre our clergy, and for all the holy People of God;

In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Sikeston;

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury and The Anglican Church of Kenya;

In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for the Mision La Transfiguracion in Maricao;

We pray for our Jubilee Ministry partner Isaiah 58 Ministries and our outreach partner Doorways Interfaith Housing;

We give thanks on their birthdays with Amiya Thompson, Kai Kaupp, Matthew Robards, Maya Odle, and Peggy Shroeder. We pray,

Have mercy, O Lord.

For all nations and families of the earth, especially for the people of Ukraine, Sudan, and the Middle East, for this country, and for all our leaders that they may govern with truth, wisdom, justice, and mercy; we pray,

Have mercy, O Lord.

For the hungry, homeless, and victims of greed and oppression, and for all refugees and immigrants, those held in detention, and those who live in fear of separation from their homes and families; we pray,

Have mercy, O Lord.

For all whom we avoid, those we consider ungodly, the downtrodden and outcasts, for our enemies, and for an end to our hardness of heart; we pray,

Have mercy, O Lord.

We pray for our deliverance from all affliction, illness, strife, and need, that we may find shelter and protection under God’s wings;

We pray for those on our Parish Prayer list, and those whom we name, either silently or aloud [pause];

We pray for all who struggle with the relentless demands of addiction, that God may strengthen them in their recovery;
For those serving in the armed forces; we pray,
Have mercy, O Lord.

For our families, friends, and companions, and all those we love; we pray
Have mercy, O Lord.

For all who have died and for all who grieve, that in Christ, who triumphs over death, they may find light perpetual and blessed assurance; we pray,
Have mercy, O Lord.

The Presider offers this concluding collect

Lord Jesus, you proclaimed the Good News in Galilee, saying that the time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near; grant us the strength and wisdom to repent and believe in the Good News, this day and always. ***Amen.***

The Peace *All stand as able*

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

Presider Let us offer each other a sign of Christ's peace

*The Congregation greets one another with the peace of Christ.
Announcements, Birthday and Anniversary Prayers*

Children's Time

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

“O Splendor of God's Glory Bright” **Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643)**

O splendor of God's glory bright, O thou that bringest light from light,

O Light of Lights, light's living spring, O Day, all days illumining.

O thou true Sun of heavenly love, pour down thy radiance from above:

The Spirit's sanctifying beam, upon our earthly senses stream.

All laud to God the Father be; all praise eternal Son, to thee;

All glory to the Spirit raise in equal and unending praise. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them to the Lord.***
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider God of all power, Source and Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People ***Glory to you for ever and ever.***
Presider At your command all things came to be: shining light and enfolding dark; the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People ***By your will they were created and have their being.***
Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with the capacity for memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of your creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People ***Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***
Presider 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 eternal Word, born of your servant Mary, to fulfill your Law, opening for us the way of freedom and peace.
People ***By his blood, he reconciled us.***
People ***By his wounds, we are healed.***
Presider 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:

Presider and People

Sanctus and Benedictus S124 *Hurd*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Presider Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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.”

Presider After supper, Jesus 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.”

Presider Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People ***We celebrate Christ’s death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.***

Presider Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, 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 Savior. Sanctify us also, and 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.

People ***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Presider God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; 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. Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, 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 Presider then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem “Lamb of God” (From *Enriching our Music*)

Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:
have _____ mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: have _____ mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sin of the world: grant _____ us _____ peace.

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Invitation to Communion

Presider

Draw near with hope and with wonder. Receive the life of Christ, the Bread of Heaven, and the Cup of Salvation poured out in love for you.

The Ministration of Communion

All who hunger and thirst for God are welcome to receive the Holy Communion at this altar. Gluten free hosts are available. At the altar rail, please let the priest know that you require gluten free.

Communion Hymn 339 “Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness”

(Blue 1982 Hymnal)

Post Communion Prayer

After the Silence the Presider invites the congregation to stand and pray saying:

Presider God is with you.

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

Presider Together, let us pray.

Silence is kept.

People ***Eternal God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live lives grounded in service to you and to one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

The Blessing

Presider May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

Closing Hymn 493 “O for a thousand tongues to sing”

(Blue 1982 Hymnal)

Dismissal

Presider Our worship is ended. Our service in the world begins. Go into the world to love what God loves. Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

Postlude “Fanfare”

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

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Creed prepared by the Rt. Rev. Deon K Johnson

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP

Lector: Greg Diekemper

Usher: Diane Nienkemper

Greeter: Ellen Jeffery

Altar Guild: Ellen Jeffery

Livestream: Vicki Stegmann

Crucifer: Sam Barrett

Chalice: Greg Diekemper/Sam Barrett

Godly Play: Jeffery

Coffee Hour: Vicki Stegmann

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diving into Baptism

Did you know Lent is historically the time of year when new Christians prepared for baptism? This process was traditionally called the catechumenate, leading up to baptisms at the Easter Vigil. This year, this season of reflection and renewal is coming to St. Mark's. If you are interested in diving deep into our baptismal covenant, the promises made at baptism and affirmed at confirmation, join us after worship in the parish hall each Sunday in March. On Palm Sunday, our learning will culminate with a visit from the bishop and the rite of confirmation during worship.

If you are interested in being confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church during Bishop Deon's visit, please speak with Delaney+!

Choir Call

If you enjoy singing but aren't able to sing with the choir on a regular basis, please consider joining us for Holy Week and Easter. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7:30-9:00 p.m. and will sing for the services on Palm Sunday (3/29), Maundy Thursday (4/2), Good Friday (4/3), and Easter (4/5). If you'd like to sing with us for some or all of these services, please be in touch with Barbara Raedeke (braedeke@aol.com). We would be delighted to have you join us! Barbara Raedeke

Maundy Thursday Soup Supper



On Maundy Thursday, April 2nd, we will be having a Soup Supper at 5:30 prior to the 7pm Service. We are looking for volunteers to bring soup and also to help with Set-up and Clean-up. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall or contact Susan Goen for more information.

Easter Decorations and the St. Cecilia Fund Donations

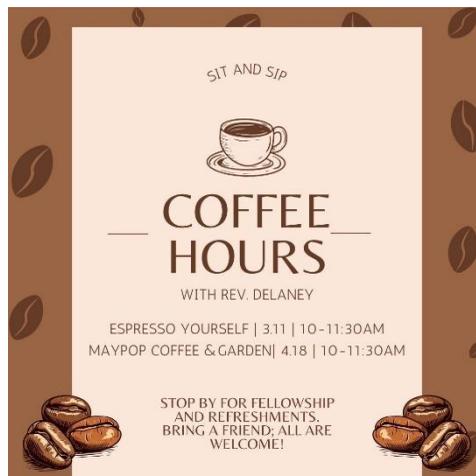
Please consider a donation towards Easter Decorations and/or the St. Cecilia Music Fund. Contribution sheets can be found in the back of the church. Turn into the office or drop in the offering plate next time you're at church. You may also give online at Tithley.com. Just go to our website <https://www.saintmarks-stl.org/> and click on the DONATE button at the bottom of the homepage (be sure to designate your donation to the "Landscape/Flowers Fund" or "Music Fund" using the drop-down menu.) Be sure to email or call the office with the names of those you wish to honor in the Easter leaflets. Decoration contributions will help pay for Easter flowers and greens. Contributions to the St. Cecilia Music Fund help support special music during our Christmas and Easter services. Please have all entries in to the Parish Office by Wednesday, April 1st.

Take me out to the Ballgame 2

St. Mark's at the Ballpark is happening again this year. The game will be the St. Louis Cardinals vs. Kansas City Royals on Sunday May 17th. Game starts at 1:15pm. Tickets will be \$20-\$25 per person (based on interest). Sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall. Contact Margaret Hvatum for more information.

Playground Task Force

We are reigniting the conversation about installing a Playground on St. Mark's property. If you would like to be part of that conversation, please sign-up in the Parish Hall. **No commitment required.**



Online Giving at St. Mark's

Thank you so much for your desire to support the ministry here at St. Mark's! If you would like to give online, simply scan the QR code below using the camera on your smart phone to visit our online giving platform.

Your generosity is a blessing!



We pray for those who are ill, in trouble or distress of any kind, especially Duane and Anne Benson, Yulia Borjite, Canon Desiree Brattin, Steve Chamberlin, Randy and Jenny Coffey, Alicia Crowe, Tom Gard, Sue Garrett, Mark Godfrey, Yaz Hernández and their extended family, Denise Huber, Margaret and Tor Hvatum, Jane Kozielec and Allen, Debbie Kramer, Becky Kruse, Stephanie Maass, the McLean, Haggerty, and Casey families, Beverly (Kocot) Meyers, Donna Musgrave, Neice Nelson, Betty Orlando, Nancy Raedeke, Jennifer Salci and her parents, Cheryl Schulz, Lois Schubert, Tom Schroeder, Rick Schubert, Logan Smith, Mitchell and Tracy Shelton, Gracie Stephens, Jeanette Swallow, Lou Swallow, Scott Thomas, Bill Trafka, Casey Tyler, David and Doris Westfall, The White Family, Gene Wilberg, Susan Winfrey, Walter Zimmerman, Eric, Elizabeth, Marian, Ted, Karen, Larry, Doug, Fritz, Rebecca, Lynn, Catreta and Dennis.

We give thanks on their birthdays with Amiya Thompson, Kai Kaupp, Matthew Robards, Maya Odle, and Peggy Shroeder.

We pray for those serving in the armed forces, especially Jesse Foy, Robert McCarthy, Brandon George, Jon Moore, Paul Malabar, Logan Smith.

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The Rev. Jerre Birdsong	Deacon	Melissa Engle	Parish Administrator
		Frankie Danieley	Nursery Assistant

Opening Hymn VF 93 “God, creator, source of healing”



1 God, cre - a - tor, source of heal - ing here we
 2 Je - sus, known to friend and seek - er ex - er -
 3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, bring us whole-ness, come with
 4 Tri - ni - ty of awe and won - der yours the



pray for whole-ness and health. Guide our work, our
 cis - ing heal - er's art, may the strong sup -
 your trans - form - ing love; give us free - dom,
 glo - ry, yours the praise. Strike our bind - ing



thoughts, and feel - ing, guide the shar - ing of our wealth.
 port the weak-er show - ing love with head and heart;
 hope and bold-ness, raise our eyes to see from a - bove;
 chains a - sun - der, lib - er - ate our cramp - ing ways.



Give dis - cern - ment in our de - ci - sions give com -
 give fresh en - er - gy and pur - pose when un -
 shape our sys - tems, in - sti - tu - tions, clar - i -
 May our lives re - flect your splend-our, in a -



pas - sion in our care; rec - on - cile our
 rea - son - ing blocks your grace, spare us harm, in
 fy our blind - ed sight, as we seek God -
 bun - dance Lord we ask. God, our guide and



strife and di - vi - sions as we search for means to share.
dan - ger a - lert us, show the ra - diance of your face.
giv - en so - lu - tions, help us greet the just and right.
our be - friend-er, give new mean - ing to our task.

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Holy Week 2026

March 29, 2026 Palm Sunday
Worship at 10:00am with Rt. Rev. Deon K Johnson, Bishop Diocesan

April 2, 2026 Maundy Thursday
5:30pm Soup Supper
7:00pm Worship

April 3, 2026 Good Friday
12:00pm Worship
7:00pm Worship

April 4, 2026 Easter Vigil
7:30pm Sundown Worship
Beginning on the Plaza

April 5, 2026 Easter Sunday
10:00am Worship and breakfast