

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MARCH 6, 2016 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I — 10:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.

GATHERING MUSIC *Psalm 23* Herbert Howells
(Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.)

PROCESSION *(In observance of Lent, the choir and clergy will process in silence.)*

HYMNAL #343 *Shepherd of Souls* ST. AGNES

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins:

People **God's mercy endureth for ever.**

PENITENTIAL ORDER Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 319

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
(Please remain standing or kneel as able.)

All Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

KYRIE ELEISON: #S-89 *(front section of hymnal)* James McGregor
(Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Unison or harmony

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

(Please be seated after the Collect.)

FIRST READING **Joshua 5:9-12**

The reading may be followed in the pew Bible on page 195.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 32 *(sung by all)*

Cantor 1 (Happy) are they whose transgressions are for-/gíven, **(pause at *)*

All **and whose sin is / pút away!**

2 **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no / guílt, *
and in whose spirit there / ís no guile!**

3 **While I held my tongue, my bones withered a-/wáy, *
because of my groaning / áll day long.**

4 **For your hand was heavy upon me day and / níght; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat / óf summer.**

5 **Then I acknowledged my sin to / yóu, *
and did not con-/céal my guilt.**

6 **I said," I will confess my transgressions to the / LÓRD." *
Then you forgave me the guilt / óf my sin.**

7 **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers
to you in time of / tróu-ble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall / nót reach them.**

8 **You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from / tróuble; *
you surround me with shouts / óf de-(liv')-rance.**

9 **"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should / gó; *
I will guide you / wíth my eye.**

10 **Do not be like horse or mule, which have no under-/stánd-ing; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not / stáy near you."**

11 **Great are the tribulations of the / wíck-ed; *
but mercy embraces those who trust / ín the LORD.**

12 **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the / LÓRD; *
shout for joy, all who are / trúe of heart.**

SECOND READING **2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

The reading may be followed in the pew Bible on page 1055.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand, as able, for the Gospel sequence.)

Antiphon: first sung by cantor, then repeated by all before and after the verse:

**You shall call, and the Lord will / héar you; *
you shall cry for help, and he will say, / "Hére I am."**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

GOSPEL **Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32**

The Gospel may be followed in the pew Bible on pages 954-955.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

A period of silence is observed following the sermon.

NICENE CREED *(standing, if able)*

**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.**

Reader . . . let us pray to the Lord.
People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Gracious God:
All **By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.** *(Collect for St. John's)*

THE PEACE *(standing, if able)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with those around you.

WELCOME *(Please be seated.)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*All are invited to share at the Lord's table. At the altar railing you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing you may indicate so by crossing your arms. The common bread is **gluten-free**.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

ANTHEM *The Lord Is My Light* Frances Allitsen

PRESENTATION *(sung by all, standing if able)* OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
 Praise Him all creatures here below.
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II Book of Common Prayer, p. 340

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**
Celebrant It is very meet, right and our bounden duty . . .
 . . . evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS, #S -117 *(front section of hymnal)*

J. McGregor

Unison or harmony

(Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.)

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, . . .
 By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People **AMEN.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**
Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION MUSIC

AGNUS DEI: #S-157 *(in front section of hymnal)* J. Merbecke
HYMNAL #624 *Jerusalem, the Golden (verse 1, solo)* EWING
HYMNAL #470 *There's a Wideness In God's Mercy* BEECHER
HYMNAL #620 *Jerusalem, My Happy Home* LAND OF REST
HYMNAL #411 *O Bless the Lord, My Soul!* ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(said by all, kneeling or standing)*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

(Please stand, if able, for the closing hymn.)

HYMNAL #690 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Deacon Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin.
 Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY *A Trumpet Minuet* Alfred Hollins

(You are invited to move forward to the choir stalls for the final music.)

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TODAY WE PRAY WITH
 Dorothy, Mary, Ransom, Ray, Gary, Bill, Caroline, Nancy, Star, Bert, Wimpy, Mae, Kathleen, Linda, Glen, Ann, Mildred, Joan, Patricia, Thelma, Norma, Pat, Steve, Ginny and Jack, Camille, Susan, Pat, Christopher, Amy, Annie, and those you would add.

LENTEN GREENS

In thanksgiving for the lives of Lola O. & Daniel W. Ferguson; William & Sona Plummer; Armen Byron Tufenk & Haig Karakine Tufenk.

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

CELEBRANT *The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson*
PREACHER *The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller*
DEACON *The Reverend Craig Lemming*
ALTAR GUILD *Heather Joyce, Pam Strom, Kathy Brown, Sue Cadwell, Shirlee Gooch, Sue MacIntosh*
ADULT CHOIR *Jayson R. Engquist, Director of Music & Organist*
ACOLYTES *Thea Bishof, Matt Brooks, Helen Baxter, Will Rinkoff, Ailsa Schmidt*
READERS *Chris Matter, Holly Stoerker*
VERGER *Joan Potter*
USHERS & GREETERS *Bob Baumann, Bill Sherfey, Don Weinkauff, Holly Weinkauff, Jennifer Kinkead, Barbara Lindeke, Judy Southwick*
COFFEE HOUR *Godly Play families*

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