



St Mark's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 2026 Rite 2 Year A**

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

Please let us know what questions you might have
And if you would like to be on our mailing list.

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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“Lent” comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *lencton* – meaning “spring” or “lengthening” from the time of year when the days grow long. The season begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with the Easter Triduum (Maundy Thursday through Easter Day), covering 40 days (excluding Sundays which are little feasts of the Resurrection). In the early church, Lent was the time of preparation for the Easter baptism, our sacrament of initiation into the Body of Christ. Persons were to receive the sacrament of “new birth” following a period of fasting, penitence and preparation.

--Sharon Pearson

Holy Week Services:

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, March 29th:

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday, April 2nd:

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

Good Friday, April 3rd:

Services at 12 pm and 6:30 pm

The Great Vigil, Saturday April 4th:

Service at 7:30 pm.

Easter Sunday, April 5th:

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am.

Land Acknowledgement

“We recognize and remember the First Nations, the native people who were removed from this portion of God’s creation by force. These nations/tribes in Virginia include the Powhatan, the Chickahominy, the Monocan, the Arrohateck, the Nottoway, and other nations/tribes whose contributions we’ve lost. We recognize and remember enslaved Native Americans, and enslaved Africans and their descendants, separated from their families by force, and who lived under horrific conditions to help build this country. May we always remember that the earth does not belong to us but is a gift from God. May God’s grace and wisdom lead us from our past mistakes to become instruments of justice and peace for all people.”

- Written by the Native American/Indigenous Ministries in the Diocese of Virginia, July 2023, for the Diocesan Offices in Richmond, Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson, Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. Gayle Elizabeth Harris, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Bourlakas, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia

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

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

setting by Friedrich Zachow

A Word of Welcome

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 423

Immortal, invisible

St. Denio

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins
All: God's mercy endures for ever. AMEN.

Decalogue

Hear the commandments of God to his people:
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.
You shall have no other gods but me.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.
All: Amen. Lord have mercy.

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

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 musical score is written in 3/2 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system features a vocal line with the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." and a piano accompaniment. The second system features a vocal line with the lyrics "Chris - te e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." and a piano accompaniment. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes, providing harmonic support for the vocal lines.

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 Ezekiel

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Jim Contner

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.'"

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Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

De profundis

With the Lord there is mer - cy and plen - teous re - demp - tion.

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my *voice*;
let your ears consider well the voice of my suppli-cation.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done a-miss,
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you;
therefore you shall be feared.

REFRAIN

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy;
With him there is plenteous re-demption,
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

REFRAIN

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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(Please stand as you are able)

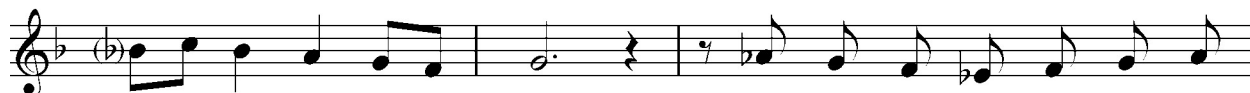
Hymn 456

O Love of God how strong how true

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1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
 2 (O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous) Love, we read thee
 3 (We read thee best in him who) came to bear for
 4 (We read thy power to bless and) save e'en in the



and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -
 us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on
 dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion



bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all
 low, in seas that swell and streams that
 high, our life to live, our death to
 light we read the full - ness of thy



thought. 2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous
 flow. 3 We read thee best in him who
 die. 4 We read thy power to bless and
 might.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John
All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?"

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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.

They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Children ages 4-11 are invited to join Malinda, Blaine & Monica 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.**

(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

Prayers of the People

Penny Adams

Intercessor: In this Lenten season, we offer our prayers, remembering that the Way of the Cross, is the Way of Life, and that it is a sign of your great love for the world you have created.

Intercessor: Holy Trinity, you empower your children to manifest love and healing in this world. Guide your Church to embody the mission of Christ, and to draw the world into relationship with you and one another.

Silence

Intercessor: Blessed Jesus,

All: Teach us the way of the cross.

Intercessor: Ruler of the nations and of our hearts; we pray for those who bear the responsibility of authority in our local, regional, and national governments. May they remember that the work of justice and the care for neighbors, is at the heart of your great commandment; instill in them wisdom and a heart of service to others.

Silence

Intercessor: Blessed Jesus,

All: Teach us the way of the cross.

Intercessor: O Lamb of God, you shared your presence with people from all walks of life; and you gave yourself as a gift to the world, so that we might know love. We pray for the human family, that we may look upon your offering of compassion, as a sign of solidarity and healing.

Silence

Intercessor: Blessed Jesus,

All: Teach us the way of the cross.

Intercessor: Jesus, you are friend and sibling to all who walk the road of life. We pray today, for our family and friends, that they may know you as their companion and as the source of all grace: remembering especially, Orië, Jerry, Jane, Sandra, Margie, Pam, Jane and Stuart, Ryn, the Tucker family, Haig and Anne, Kenneth, Bobbie, Jo, Mike, Betty, Lisette, Mike and Margaret, Phyllis, Marsha, Bill, the Manigault family, Dave, Rebecca, Bill and the Northen family, Henry, Holly and Walt, the Geddes family, Natona, Eleanor and family, Tom, Paul, Maria, Judy, Phyllis, Wendy, Val, Dawn, Curtis, Kandace, Mollie, Janice, John, Terri, Everette, Jennifer, Mary, Robert, Sally, Louis, Andrew and Gretchen, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, Elizabeth and David, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy, Kristy, Randi, Marion, and Hollis.

Additional petitions may be made silently or aloud.

Silence

Intercessor: Blessed Jesus,

All: Teach us the way of the cross.

Intercessor: Bread of Heaven, you nourish our life with your mercy and grace; and you call us to the table of fellowship in your name. Today, we give thanks for the birthdays of Wes, Paul, Terrance, Casey, Malinda, and Maximo, and those celebrating anniversaries.

Silence

Intercessor: Blessed Jesus,

All: Teach us the way of the cross.

Intercessor: Eternal Majesty, we are born in the garden of your creation, and at our dying we are reborn with you in paradise. Just as you promised to those witnessing your death and resurrection, we know that you go before us to prepare the Way. Today, we remember those who have died.

Petitions may be made silently or aloud.

Silence

Intercessor: Blessed Jesus,

All: Teach us the way of the cross.

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



SCAN to DONATE

Invitation to Holy Communion

(Remain seated)

Offertory

Give Us the Wings of Faith

Text: Isaac Watts

Music: Ernest Bullock

Give us the wings of faith to rise
Within the veil, and see
The saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came,
They, with one united breath,
Ascribe the conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,
His zeal inspired their breast,
And, following their incarnate God,
They reached their promised rest.

(Please stand as you are able)

At The Presentation, Doxology

The Eighth 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.***

Appointing of Healing Prayer Ministers

Presider: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth as ministers of healing prayer, that those with whom you pray may know the presence of Christ, and be strengthened for the ministry before them. **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 our thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, Hea-ven and earth are full of your glor-y, Ho - san - na
in the high-est, Bless'd is the One who comes in the name of the Lord,
Ho - san - na in the high-est.

(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

Presider: Holy and gracious God: 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 maker 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 savior 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 Jesus 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 all 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, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, 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.**

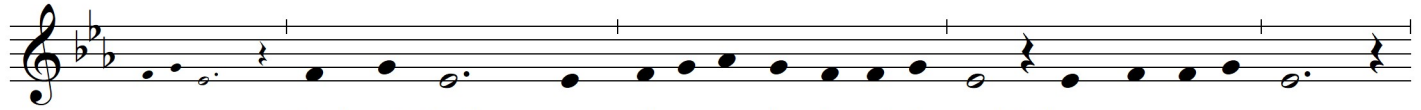
The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

All: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem, Agnus Dei

Hirten



1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
 2 We taste in you our liv - ing bread, and long to
 3 For you our rest - less spi - rits yearn wher - e'er our
 4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay; make all our

life and our true light, we seek the peace your love im -
 feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
 chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your pres - ence we dis -
 mo - ments calm and bright; oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts, and stand re - joic - ing in your sight.
 head, our thirst - ing souls to quench and fill.
 cern, blest, when our faith can hold you fast.
 way, shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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

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.

1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!
 2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!
 3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;
 4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;
 5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;

1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!
 2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.
 3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.
 4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.
 5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,
 whose grace hath made thee whole,
 whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
 O bless the Lord, my soul!

The Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word

Johann Pachelbel

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The Ambry



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Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Parishioners: Orié Bullard II, Jerry Truman, Jane Elbert, Rev. Dr. Sandra Levy-Mix, Margie Costas, Pam Dummitt, Jane and Stuart Settle, Ryn Kennedy, the Tucker family, Haig and Anne Kambourian, Kenneth Decker, Bobbie Aiken, Jo Tyler, Mike Craft, Betty Leviner, Lisette Johnson, Mike and Margaret Franklin, Phyllis Iverson, Marsha Iverson, and Bill Piercy.

Our extended family and friends: the Manigault family, Dave Chester, Rebecca Brown, Bill Northen and the Northen family, Henry, Holly and Walt Geddes and the Geddes family, Natona, Eleanor Velez and family, Tom Johnson, Paul, Maria, Judy Hardman, Phyllis, Wendy Christiana, Val Lipari, Dawn Bitler, Curtis, Kandace, Mollie, Janice Wise, John O'Shea, Terri Humel, Everette Beach, Jennifer Downey, Mary McLenigan, Robert McLenigan, Sally Kye, Louis Morris, Andrew and Gretchen Curtain, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, Elizabeth and David Hardison, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy Burks, Kristy Rose, Randi Smith, Marion Broome, and Hollis Daniels.

Those who have died:

Those celebrating birthdays: especially Wes Kaufman, Paul Williams, Terrance Rasmussen, Casey Whitlow, Malinda Collier, and Maximo Keeling.

Those celebrating anniversaries:

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Shrine Mont Camps and The Rt. Rev'd E. Mark Stevenson, The Rt. Rev'd Gayle Elizabeth Harris, The Rt. Rev'd Mark A. Bourlakas, and all Bishops participating in the House of Bishops meeting.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For seminaries, bible colleges, and schools training persons for vocations in ministry; for the students, faculty, and staff of these institutions.

Names on the extended family and friends prayer list will remain for three months unless longer is requested. Please contact the office with any changes.

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Kate Williams, Jr. Warden, **Worship Team Liaison**

2027:

Ivy Burnes, Sr. Warden, **Finance Team Liaison**

Kevin Cutro, **Stewardship/Education & Formation Team Liaison**

Ralph Stanley, **Property Team Liaison**

2028:

Jennifer McCauley, **Justice and Advocacy Team Liaison**

Frosty Owen, **Parish Life Team Liaison**

Nora Thompson, **Evangelism Team Liaison**

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Ed Street, **Outreach**

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Penny Adams, **Justice and Advocacy**

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Wes Kaufman & Dee Whitlow, **Audit**

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Land Acknowledgement

“We recognize and remember the First Nations, the native people who were removed from this portion of God’s creation by force. These nations/tribes in Virginia include the Powhatan, the Chickahominy, the Monocan, the Arrohateck, the Nottoway, and other nations/tribes whose contributions we’ve lost. We recognize and remember enslaved Native Americans, and enslaved Africans and their descendants, separated from their families by force, and who lived under horrific conditions to help build this country. May we always remember that the earth does not belong to us but is a gift from God. May God’s grace and wisdom lead us from our past mistakes to become instruments of justice and peace for all people.”

- Written by the Native American/Indigenous Ministries in the Diocese of Virginia,
July 2023, for the Diocesan Offices in Richmond, Virginia
The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson, Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia
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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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