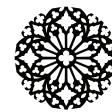


The Fourth Sunday in Lent

10 March 2024

10:30 am The Holy Eucharist



The Cathedral
Church of **Saint John**
the Divine

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Reverend Canon Steven Lee, *Celebrant*

The Reverend Canon Eva Suarez, *Preacher*

The Cathedral Choir

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OPENING VOLUNTARY

Adagio from 12 Pieces, Book 1

John Stainer (1840–1901)

INTROIT

Gregorian chant

Sung by the Choir.

LÆTARE Jerusalem, et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam: gaudete cum lætitia, qui in tristitia fuistis: ut exsultetis, et satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestræ.

Rejoice, O Jerusalem, and come together, all you who love her: rejoice in gladness, after having been in sorrow; exult and be filled from the breasts of your consolation.

V. Lætatus sum in his quæ dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus.

I rejoiced when it was said to me: "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Isaiah 66:10–11, Psalm 122:1

WELCOME

The presider welcomes the People, orients them to the service, and calls them to prayer.

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

HYMN

Sung by All, standing as able.

1 Bless-èd Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to hear thee;
 2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark-ness shroud - ed,
 3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro - ceed - ing,

let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee;
 till thy Spi - rit breaks our night with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed;
 o - pen thou our ears and heart, help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing.

by thy teach - ings pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
 thou a - lone to God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
 Hear the cry thy Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

Words: Tobias Clausnitzer (1619–1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1829–1878); alt.

Music: *Liebster Jesu*, melody Johann Rudolph Ahle (1625–1673); alt. *Das grosse Cantional: oder Kirchen-Gesangbuch*, 1687; harm. George Herbert Palmer (1846–1926)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.*People* And also with you.*Celebrant* Let us pray.*The Celebrant prays the collect, and the People respond, "Amen." The People are seated.*

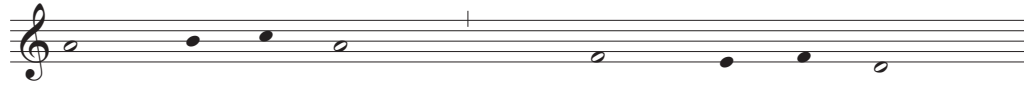
A READING FROM THE BOOK OF NUMBERS

(21:4–9)

*After the reading is said:**Lector* The Word of the Lord.*People* Thanks be to God.

PSALM 51:1–10

Sung by All.

*Miserere mei, Deus**Antiphon (Sung by the Cantor, then All)**Verses*

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| <p>1. Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your loving kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.</p> <p>2. Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.</p> <p>3. For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.</p> <p>4. Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight. <i>Antiphon</i></p> <p>5. And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.</p> | <p>6. Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb. <i>Antiphon</i></p> <p>7. For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.</p> <p>8. Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.</p> <p>9. Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.</p> <p>10. Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities. <i>Antiphon</i></p> |
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Chant: Kent Tritle (b. 1960)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Sung by Choir, then All.

From *Kyrie Orbis Factor*,
adapted by David Hurd (b. 1950)

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL OF JOHN

(3:14–21)

Preacher The ✙ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ*The Preacher reads the gospel, followed by the words:*

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Eva Suarez

Canon for Community Engagement

A time of silence is observed after the sermon, then the Celebrant
leads the assembly in the Creed, standing as able.

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The People are asked to pray for the Church, the nations
and their leaders, those in need, and the dead.*

After each petition, the People say

Lord, hear our prayer.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray also for the forgiveness of our sins.

An extended period of silence follows.

Celebrant God of all mercy,

People 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 that enslaves us,
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 Celebrant pronounces the Absolution.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Sung by the Choir.**The Pilgrimes Travels*

Judith Bingham (b. 1952)

THE pilgrim's travels, and the shepherd's care,
 He took upon him, to enlarge our souls,
 What Pride hath wrought, Humility repairs,
 For by His glorious death he us inroules (enrolls)
 in deep characters,
 Writ with blood and tears, upon those blessed everlasting
 scroules (scrolls),
 His hands, his feet, his body and his face,
 Whence freely flowed the rivers of his grace.

This lamb of God who died and was alive,
 Presenting us the bread of life eternal,
 Presenting us his bruised body,
 Pow'rful to revive our sinking souls,
 Out of the pit infernal.

This wheat of heaven, this blessed angel's bread,
 Wherewith he feeds his dear adopted heirs,
 Sweet food of life, that doth revive the dead,
 And from the living takes away all cares,
 The bread of life eternal.

Emilia Lanier (1569–1645) (née Aemilia Bassano)



A collection is taken. The People may place their offerings in the basket as it is passed or use the QR code.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.

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

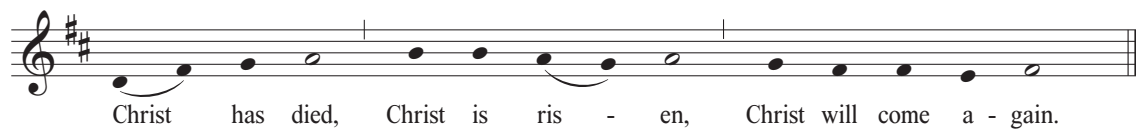
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant prays in the name of the assembly. In the course of the Eucharistic Prayer, these acclamations are sung.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Music: David Hurd

THE LORD'S PRAYER

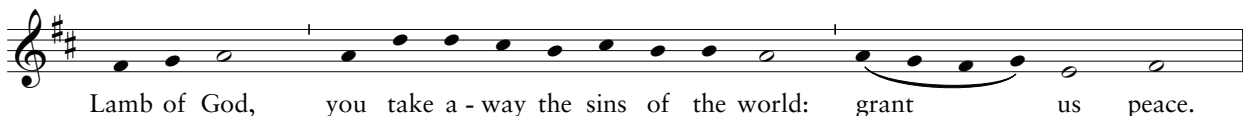
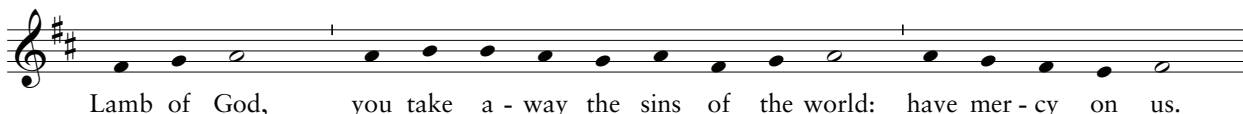
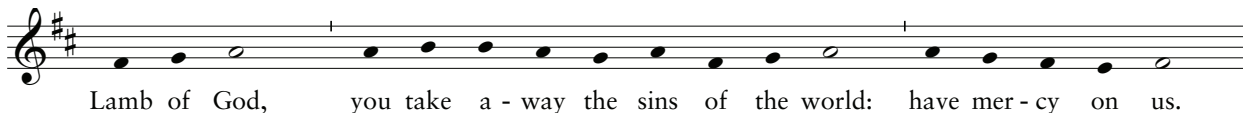
Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ
has taught us, we are bold to say

Celebrant and People

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept. Then is sung



Music: *Agnus Dei* from *New Plainsong*; David Hurd

The Celebrant invites the People to Holy Communion. As the ministers receive the Sacrament, the People come forward.

THE COMMUNION

The Holy Communion is distributed under the forms of both Bread and Wine. In the interest of public health, the Cathedral does not practice intinction, that is, the dipping of the Bread into the Wine. It is the faith of the Church that Jesus gives himself in the Sacrament whether it is received in only one kind or both. Gluten-free Wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

*Sung by the Choir.**God so loved the world*

John Stainer (1840–1901)

GOD so loved the world,
 that He gave His only begotten Son,
 that whoso believeth in Him
 should not perish,
 but have everlasting life.
 For God sent not His Son
 into the world to condemn the world,
 but that the world through Him might be saved.

John 3:16–17

A time of silence is observed after the Holy Communion, then the hymn is sung by all, standing as able.

POST COMMUNION HYMN

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious Bo - dy bro - ken,
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou cam'st to save me;
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound and the nail - ing,
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i - tence I give thee;

be to me, O gra - cious Lord, of thy bound-less love the to - ken.
 all that love of God could give Je - sus by his sor - rows gave me.
 by the pain and death, I now claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.
 thou art my ex - al - ted King, of thy match-less love for-give me.

Thou didst give thy - self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859–1925)

Music: *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*, melody Johann Crüger (1598–1662); harm. after *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All say together.

ETERNAL God,
heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Jesus Mien Zuverschiet, BWV 728 Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

UPCOMING EVENTS**SUNDAY, 10 MARCH**

4 PM

Choral Evensong. The Cathedral Choir sings music of Ebdon, Walmisley, and Bingham.

5 PM

Organ Recital. Raymond Nagem performs a recital of works by Felix Mendelssohn.

