

Christ Church Cathedral



*The Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 2020*

Lent comes providentially to reawaken us,
to shake us from our lethargy
--Pope Francis

Welcome!

Thank you for being with us this morning. This is the worship bulletin for this Sunday during the time of Coronavirus, while we are not meeting in person. We are the Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts and a parish church that invites your presence and participation. You are loved at Christ Church Cathedral. At the end of the bulletin are other opportunities to be with us virtually. To speak with a real human being call 413-736-2742 and if we do not answer, leave a message. God bless you

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY *Sergio D'Orsini, 12:15 Music Director, CCC*

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **God's mercy endures forever.**

Celebrant Because we view our lives in Christ through the forgiveness we receive from God, I invite us to begin with the Confession of Sin.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Silence may be kept.

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.**

Celebrant 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.

TRISAGION

Said three times

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 for ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST READING:

I 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE:

Psalm 23

Said together

- 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.

THE SECOND READING:

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

John 9:1-41

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

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 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."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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 worshipped 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form I

To add names to the Cathedral prayer list email tcallard@cccspfld.org

Intercessor For the peace of the world, especially in places of continued conflict and for those parts of our world currently in chaos. For the unity of human

civilization as we learn to work together in the midst of the Coronavirus pandemic, let us pray to the Lord.

All
Lord, have mercy.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop and Douglas our Bishop, for Church Without Walls, for communities of faith responding to the pandemic with faith, hope and love, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Donald our President, Charlie our Governor and Domenic our Mayor. For the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering. For those who are anxious and those who are despondent, for medical staff and caretakers. We pray especially for those we name aloud now: [Link to the Cathedral Prayer list](#)

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, remembering especially those in the Ludlow and Chicopee Correctional facilities, and those whose lives are affected by the downturn in the economy, workers laid off, those who will not be hired, and those who face scarcity and want. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, those who have died as the result of Covid-19, and for all the departed, especially those

in the history of Christ Church Cathedral who have died in the week of March 15th: Elizabeth MacGilvary Abar, Mary Purves, Helen Haile Harris, Ester Mae Aveyard, Wellesley Hayden, Edith Agnes Green, Mary Steele, Naomi Bowerman., let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those celebrating birthdays this week: Gus Erskine, Judy Cox, Maame Asante, Barbara Gardner, Bev Rourke, Amber Garcia, Perla Garcia, Mary McKenna. For those celebrating anniversaries this week: Nina & Joseph Holstead. For Maxisol, the South African student the Cathedral holds in support. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant
People
Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

THE SANCTUS, S 124

New Plainsong

David Hurd

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.

Celebrant 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:

Celebrant and People

**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.

Celebrant 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 Father 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 Lord 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 he 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER SI48

Ambrosian Chant

Celebrant

As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Celebrant and People

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.

For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.

Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,

now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Behold what you are.

People **May we become what we receive.**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM, SI 61 AGNUS DEI NEW PLAINSONG DAVID HURD

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

INVITATION TO THE SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

The Celebrant invites the following prayer to be said by all:

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present
in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.**

**I love you above all things,
and long for you in my soul.**

**Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**As though you have already come,
I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you;
never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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 BLESSING

Celebrant 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.

The blessing of God in Christ be within you and around you, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

RECESSIONAL MUSIC *Sergio D'Orsini, 12:15 Music Director, CCC*

Prayer Requests

You may call the office or email names of those for whom prayer is desired to
tcallard@cccspfld.org

Please pray for...

Por favor oren por...

- For all those affected by Covid-19.
- all physicians and nurses and those who work in care centers, that they may have fortitude, peace, and the ability to use their talents to save all the lives they encounter at the hospital.
- That our officials make wise decisions that help keep new cases of virus at a controllable level.

- For Karen Authier, and Rich her husband. Thanksgiving Karen tested negative, coming this weekend.
- For Meghan and Charlotte;
- Louise Amerman;
- Elizabeth Beckham;
- Matthew Briggs;
- Elizabeth Burns;
- Aleyah Campbell;
- Anthony Campbell;
- Shirley Climo;
- David Contois;
- Nicholas D'Alessandro;
- Calista Dibble;
- Ryan Doyle;
- Matthew Finucane;
- Javier Flores;
- Catherine Gibbs and family;
- Janet Glancy;
- Jim Goodwin;
- For Doug Hughes, who is in need of heart catheterization surgery. It was cancelled MOnday at Baystate.
- Nancy Husson in Mercy Hosp. (not covid 19)
- Stanley and BJ Jackson;
- David Johnston;
- Kate Moriarity;
- Kevin O'Keefe;
- Eleanor Parke;

- Joan and Charles Robinson;
- Jean Ryan, at home recovering from surgery
- Robin Schmeck;

- JoAnne Sickles;
- Todd Shepard;
- Liz Tunney;
- Barbara Vecchio;
- Charlotte, working at Baystate
- Felecia Waldon;
- For Barbara, who was in a very bad car accident in October who is still in rehab, regaining her ability to walk and use her left hand.
- Bea Weatherbee;
- Grace;
- For Laura, living alone, who may have walking pneumonia.
- Meghan, working at Baystate.
- Thomas.

Please prayerfully remember those serving in the military:

- Katie Albright,
- Josh Benoit;
- Illyana Caputo,
- Alyssa Chapman;
- Andrew Clough
- Michael Fidalgo;
- Luis Guevara;
- Joseph R. Holstead;
- Mark Johnston;
- William Mangan;
- William Navarro;
- Jose Orengo;
- Shannon Michael Shea;
- Wayne Wilson Jr.,
- Steven Jones.

Cathedral Prayer List is Online

Participants in today's service

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Celebrant</i> | The Very Reverend Tom Callard |
| <i>Deacon</i> | The Reverend Linda Taupier |
| <i>Altar Guild</i> | Mark Giddings (10am) |
| <i>Videographer</i> | Joel Martinez |
| <i>Music</i> | Sergio D'Orsini |
| <i>Flower Guild</i> | <i>No Flowers During Lent</i> |

Christ Church Cathedral

The R. Rev. Douglas Fisher	Bishop of W. Mass	dfisher@diocesewma.org
The V. Rev. Tom Callard	Cathedral Dean	tomcallard@gmail.com
The Rev. Can. Jerry True	Canon	jerry5185@gmail.com
The Rev. Linda Taupier	Deacon	deaconlindat@gmail.com
Joel Martinez	Seminarian	reverendoalegria14@gmail.com
Mark Shapiro	Rabbi in Residence	markdovshapiro@gmail.com
Todd Beckham	Music Director	tbeckham77t@gmail.com
Sergio D'Orsini	12:15 Music Director	sergiodorsini@gmail.com
Dominique Pierre Batiste	Office Administrator	cccspfld@gmail.com
Edwin Garriga	Sexton	edwingarriga10@gmail.com
Jac Essing	Cathedral Intern	rachaelessing@gmail.com

We are an inclusive community welcoming all people, regardless of faith, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or creed. You are loved here, and we are thrilled to have you with us.

**Christ Church Cathedral
35 Chestnut Street
Springfield, MA, 01103
413.736.2742 • www.cccspfld.org**

Offices are closed, but we are committed to staying connected