



# The Holy Eucharist for the Fifth Sunday in LENT March 17, 2024, 8 & 10 A.M.



"Grace of the love of the skies be thine, Grace of the love of the stars be thine, Grace of the love of the moon be thine, Grace of the love of the sun be thine."

- Alexander Carmichael, Carmina Gadelica: Hymns and Incantations

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## During the week, please pray for those whom Christ's healing power has been requested:

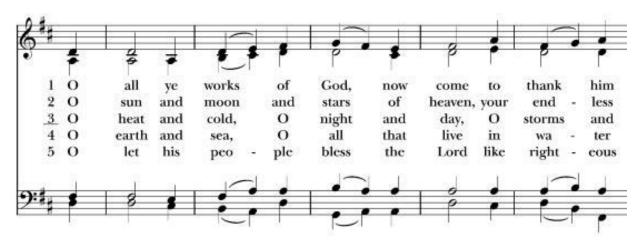
Misih Azizi, Rota Becker, Avery Carrington, Tom and Elizabeth Haller, Oswald Howard, Carol Shepard-Santilli, Walter DeFilippe, Todd Shepard, Manuel Mercado, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Barbara Thrall, Barbara Garriga, Beverly Rourke, Laura and Ken Fellows and family, Puis Guevara, Jr and family, Cecily Perez, Tom and Dianne Wilson, Jim M., The Rau family, Anne, Louie, Charlotte Carrington, Charles and Joan Robinson, Ann Lincoln, Joyce Howard, Karen, Lucy, Rob and Bob Soderstrom, David and Kathy Johnston, Karen and Rich Authier, Louise Amerman, Stanley and BJ Jackson, Eleanor Parke, Blaise and her family.

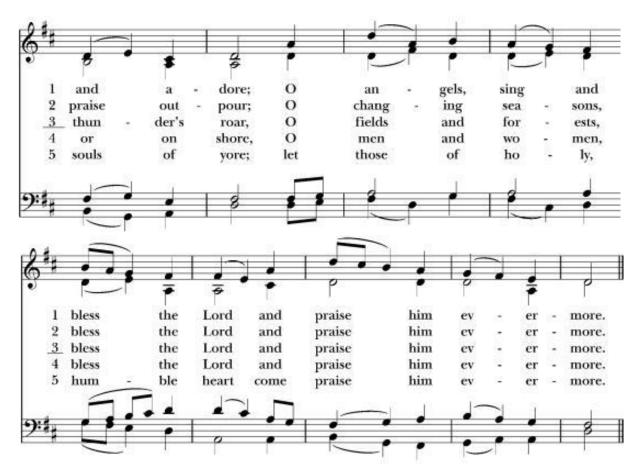
To add people for prayer, please contact the Cathedral office!

## THE OPENING VOLUNTARY – "You Raise Me Up"

-Rolf Lovland and Brenden Graham arranged by C. White

# THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN - The Hymnal 1982 - #428 O, All Ye Works of God





6 So let us glorify and bless the God we bow before, the Father, Holy Spirit, Son, and praise him evermore.

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# THE OPENING SENTENCES - Please stand as you are able

The Celebrant says

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins,

#### All

God's mercy endures forever. Amen.

### The Celebrant says

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

#### **Together**

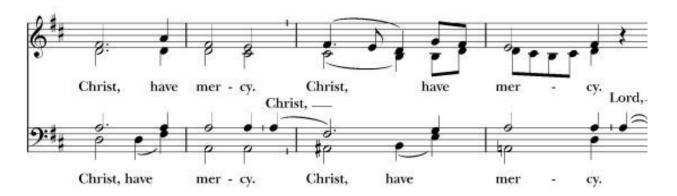
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son 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 Celebrant says

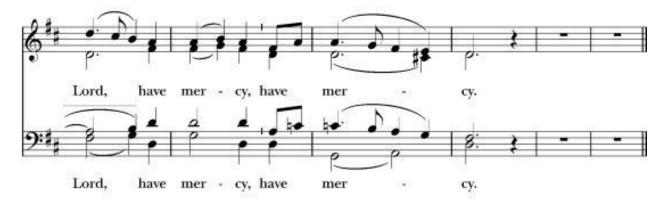
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE KYRIE- The Hymnal 1986, Service Music #S96- Lord Have Mercy Upon Us









Music: From Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

Let us pray. 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.** 

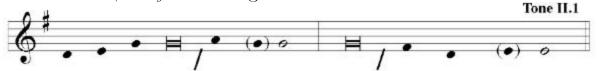
# THE FIRST READING (Please be seated for the readings) Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

#### Thanks be to God.

#### **THE PSALM** (Please join in chanting)



#### Psalm 51:1-13

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \* in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \* and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, \* and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned \* and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak \* and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \* a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \* and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \* wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \* that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \* and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \* and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence \* and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again \* and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

#### THE SECOND READING

#### Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN - The Hymnal 1982 - #300 Glory, Love, and Praise and Honor



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#### **THE HOLY GOSPEL** (Please remain standing)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 12:20-33 Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

The Reverend Jane Beebe

# THE NICENE CREED (Please stand as 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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.** 

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

In our Diocesan Cycle of prayer, we pray for Grace Church in Great Barrington and the Chancellor of our Diocese, Donald Allison.

We are thankful for those celebrating **birthdays** this week, especially Augustus (Gus) Erskine, Judy Cox, Barbara Gardner, Maame Asante, Beverly Rourke, Perla Garcia, Ambar Garcia, Nhetto Tomi Mohamed, Linda Prystupa and Edward Prystupa . We are thankful for those celebrating **anniversaries** this week.

We pray for those in the history of Christ Church Cathedral who died the week of March 17<sup>th</sup>: Mary Steele, Naomi Bowerman, Jennie M. Paddock, Walter Steele, Barbara Gay, Gladys C. Williams, Daphne Wilbur, Victoria Drilling and Charles Damon. Bless all those whose lives have been cut short by gun violence and war. Give to the departed eternal Rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Let us pray for the election of a new Dean:

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a dean for this Cathedral, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

#### THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

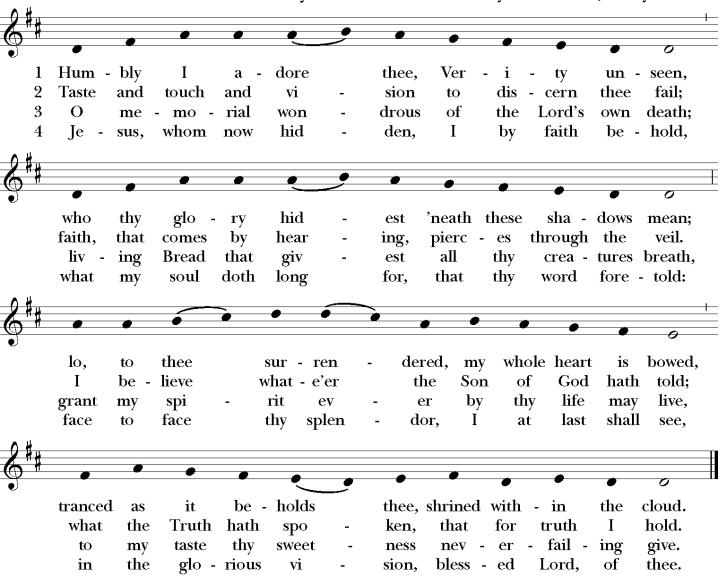
And also with you.

During the Offertory, the Altar is prepared. People may place pledges and donations in the collection basket during the offertory. You may also donate, and pledge online, just point your phone at the QR code in back of the bulletin.

#### THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM - "Behold the Lamb of God" - Handel Messiah

THE OFFERTORY HYMN - The Hymnal 1982 - #314 Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen



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# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

Celebrant:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

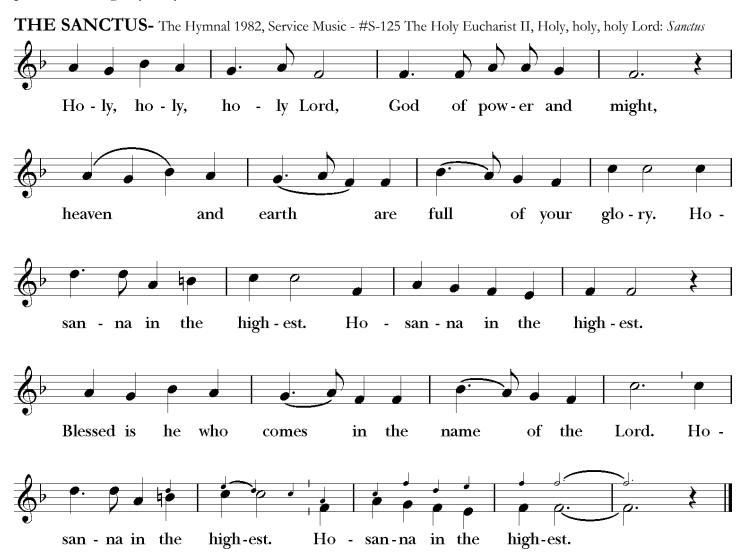
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

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 Celebrant continues (The congregation may stand or kneel)

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 Creator 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, be 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 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

#### Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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 the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and 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**.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

#### 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.

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

The Celebrant says:

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

# THE FRACTION ANTHEM- The Hymnal 1982, Service Music - #S-158 The Holy Eucharist I, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei*



#### Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### 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. We pray here on behalf of those attending virtually.

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

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Everyone is invited to receive the Holy Communion. Our practice is to stand or kneel at the altar rail in front, where the clergy will give you the host and then will give you the chalice. If you desire only a blessing and not the Communion, please indicate by crossing your arms before you. If you prefer Gluten-Free wafers or non-alcoholic grape juice, please tell the eucharistic ministers.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM - "Stay With Me" - Taize

#### THE COMMUNION HYMN - The Hymnal 1982 - #488 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart



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# THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (Please stand as you are able)

Celebrant:

Let us pray.

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

The Priest blesses the people.

# THE RECESSIONAL HYMN The Hymnal 1982 - #455 O Love of God, How Strong and True



Music: Dunedin, Vernon Griffiths (b. 1894)

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#### THE DISMISSAL

The Celebrant dismisses the people with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

# THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY - "A Medley of Irish Gigues"





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#### Participants in today's service

Celebrant The Reverend Jerry True
Preacher 8AM The Reverend Jerry True
Preacher 10AM The Reverend Jane Beebe
Deacon The Reverend Kate DeRose

Guest Organist Dr. Christopher White

Lectors Jahn Hart and Peter Pappas

Intercessor Michael Stevens Altar Guild 8A Mark Giddings

Altar Guild 10A Mark Giddings and Caroline Toner

Eucharistic Minister 8A Mark Giddings

Eucharistic Ministers 10A Mark Giddings, Jillian McLeod and Rajendra Lalak

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-Luke 12