

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Berkeley, California

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 27, 2022, 10:00am

Welcome to St. Mark's!

With its emphasis on the desert, repentance, and our own culpability for human sin and global suffering, Lent hardly seems a fitting sequel to the Epiphany, or its characteristic light, revelation, and knowledge. Yet such a sequel it is, bringing us face to face with the incompleteness of all our knowledge and the final failure of our skill, even while God continues to draw closer in Jesus Christ. That presence reveals all our lack, and burns away what is not true or good; but it is not finally destructive. Rather it completes what the Epiphany began, the revelation that God is in the business of drawing us past whatever final answer we might want to give, past whatever finality sin and death might claim, making us finally a part of his own deathless life. Wherever you find yourself this Lent, may you find Christ drawing near, to make you party to his own resurrection.



*Today's Rose vestments and other appointments
are the gift of Paul Sporer and Nigel Renton.*

Today's service music

Missa Marialis

Plainsong, Mode 1; Mass 9, "Cum júbilo"
adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

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Music in preparation for worship

Erbarme dich mein, O Herre Gott, BWV 721 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

A chime rings and all stand to sing.

Hymn 686 Come, thou fount of every blessing *Nettleton*

*Have mercy, my
God, for the sake of
my tears! See here,
before you heart and
eyes weep bitterly.
Have mercy, my
God.*

Opening Acclamation (*Isaiah 66:10-11*)

Officiant: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who
were in mourning;

People: *Exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.*

Collect for Purity

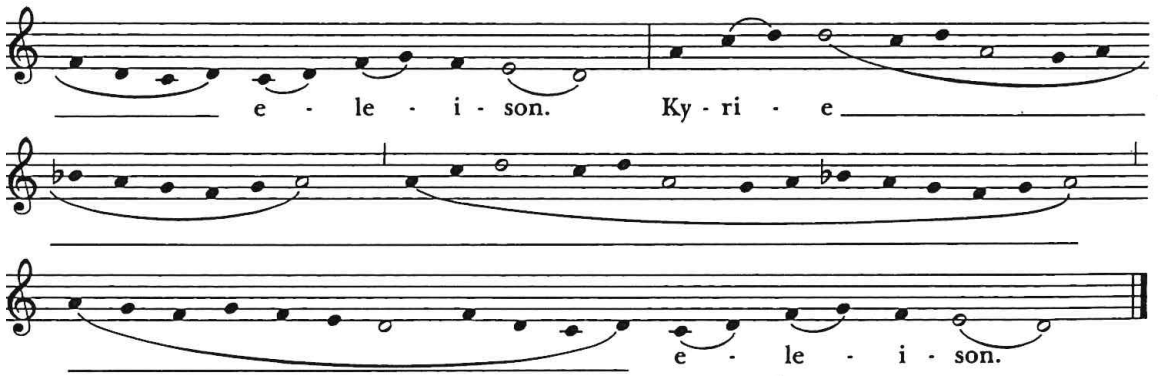
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie

The musical score for the Kyrie is written on six staves. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e. The score features various musical notations including treble clefs, notes, rests, and bar lines. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding musical phrases.



Collect of the Day

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, now and for ever. *Amen.*

All sit for the Lessons.

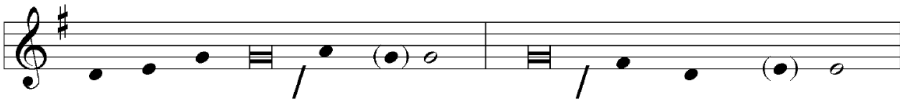
First Reading *Joshua 5:9-12*

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
 People: *Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm 32, *Beati quorum* *Tone II.1*



- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are for/given,*
and whose sin / is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes / no guilt,*
and in whose spirit / there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered a/way,*
because of my groan/ing all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me / day and night;*
my moisture was dried up as in the heat / of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my / sin to you,*
and did not / conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the / LORD."*
Then you forgave me the guilt / of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers
to you in time of / trouble;*
when the great waters overflow, they shall / not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from / trouble;*
you surround me with shouts of / deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that / you should go;*
I will guide / you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no under/standing;*
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not / stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the / wicked;*
but mercy embraces those who trust / in the LORD.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the / LORD;*
shout for joy, all who / are true of heart.

Second Reading *2 Corinthians 5:16-21*

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

¶ *All stand to sing.*

Hymn 467 Sing, my soul, his wondrous love *St. Bees*

The Gospel *Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*

The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy Spirit.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So Jesus told them this parable:

“There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out

and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Homily *The Rev. Blake Sawicky*

¶A brief silence follows the Homily.

Credo

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;
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who 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

Leader: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's church and the world.

Leader: Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

Leader: Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

Leader: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

Leader: We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

Leader: Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

Leader: And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [_____ and] all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

Leader: And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially _____, and those whose year's mind falls this week, _____], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Mark the Evangelist, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

[The People are invited to offer their own petitions]

Leader: O God, our Savior:

People: *Create a new spirit within us.*

Officiant: Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Confession & Absolution

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

¶ A brief silence is kept.

All: Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty penitence and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Comfortable Words

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
John 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

¶ *All exchange a sign of Peace.*

¶ *Various announcements may be made.*

The Offertory

¶ *Bread and Wine are offered at the Altar, and the table is set for the Eucharist. A collection is taken for the work of the church and then blessed. Singing by the Choir and the Congregation completes the Offertory: here in this set of actions, the whole assembly brings together our food, our material resources, our spirits, our bodies, our cares, our relationships, and our intentions, in order to present ourselves and our world as completely as possible to God. All of them will be blessed in the Eucharistic action to come, and creation itself will be renewed.*

Anthem I will arise and go to Jesus *Traditional*
arr. A. Parker (b.1925) & R. Shaw (1916-1999)

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms.
In the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh! there are ten thousand charms.

Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above,
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace.
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

¶ *All stand to sing.*

Hymn 469 There's a wideness in God's mercy *St. Helena*

The Sursum Corda S-112

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 unto our Lord God.
People: *It is meet and right so to do.*

*Here begins the
Great Thanksgiving.
Eucharistic Prayer
I, Book of Common
Prayer p. 333*

¶ *The Celebrant begins the Eucharistic Prayer with a preface recalling the season. Then, all join their voices with those of the whole host of heaven as they sing perpetually before the throne of God:*

...Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Sanctus & Benedictus

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the name of the Lord. Ho san - a in the high - est.

¶ *All remain standing, or kneel if desired.*

¶ Here in the presence of God, the whole host of heaven, the Communion of Saints, and the gathered community of St. Mark's Church, the Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer: recalling Christ's words of institution at the Last Supper the night before he died, and his passion, death, and resurrection; offering the bread and wine to become for us the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood; praying for the Holy Spirit to descend upon the gifts we offer and we ourselves, to make us holy and consecrate our lives -- and life itself -- to the good purposes of God.

¶ Finally, the Celebrant offers the concluding doxology and the People join in the Great Amen:

Celebrant: [. . .] By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

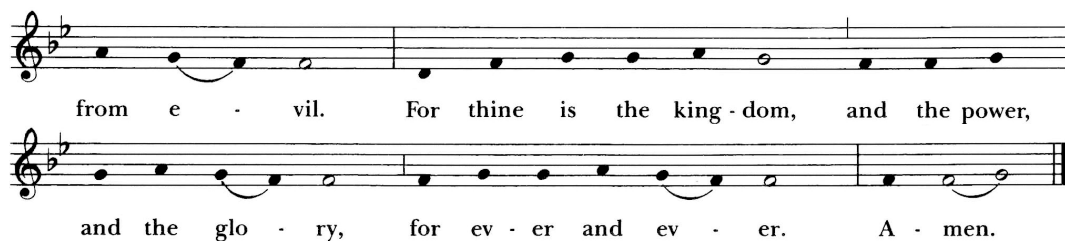
All: AMEN.

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

¶ All sing the Lord's Prayer

Our Father

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us



¶ The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

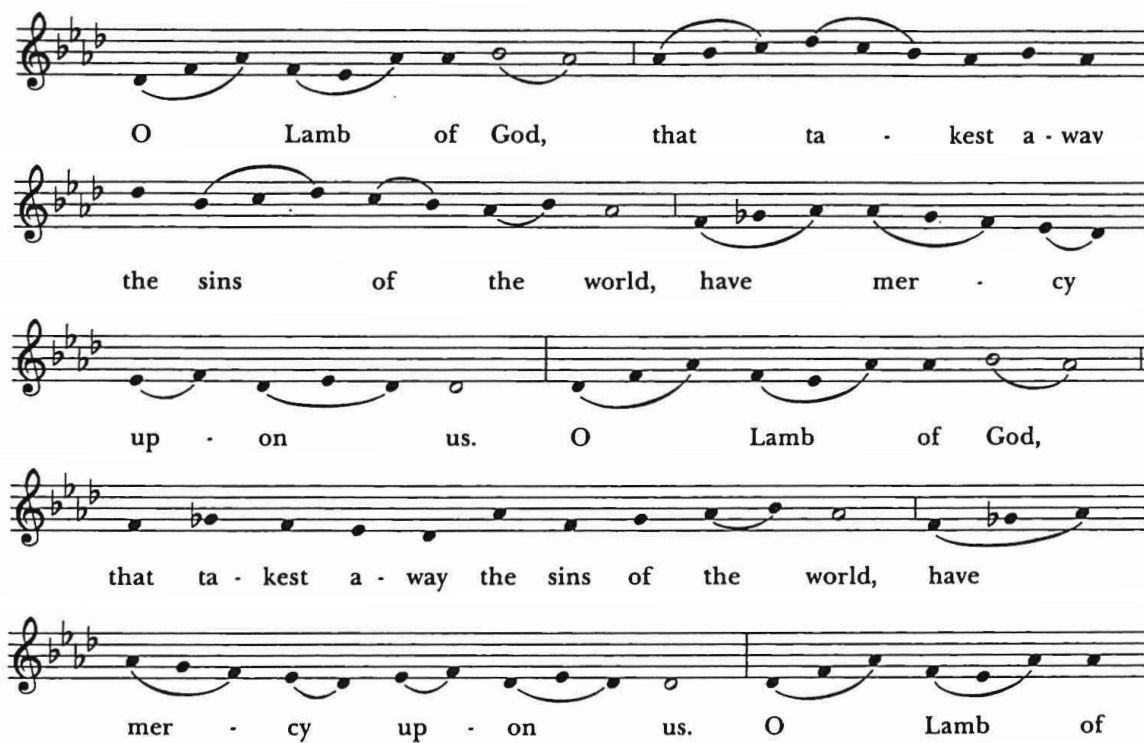
¶ A period of silence is kept.

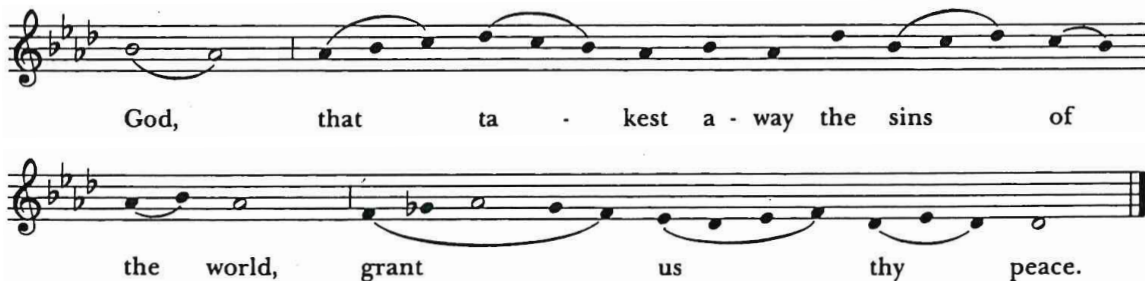
Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast.

¶ All sing the Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei





¶ *All say together the Prayer of Humble Access*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
Amen.

¶ *The Celebrant invites the people to make their communions, saying:*

Celebrant: Behold, the Lamb of God. Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People: *Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof. But speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*

¶ *The Celebrant communicates the Altar party, then the Congregation and the Choir.*

¶ *All are welcome to come forward. To receive the Host, hold out one open palm in the other. (Gluten-free Hosts are always available; just alert the priest, who will extend the pyx for you to take one.) If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest. For the purposes of Covid safety, communion will be administered in one kind only, standing, at the head of the center aisle. Receive your Host and then move to one of the communion stations at the head of either side aisle before removing your mask and consuming your Host.*

Anthem Return Again

arr. Danny Maseng (b. 1950)

Return again to the land of your soul.

Return to who you are, return to what you are

Return to where you are born and reborn again.

Hashiveinu Adonai elecha v'na shuvah

Return us to you, O God, and we shall return

Hymn VF 82 Just as I am without one plea *Saffron Walden*

¶ *All stand to pray.*

Postcommunion Prayer

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.*

¶ *The Celebrant prays over the people.*

Celebrant: Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people here before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *The Liturgy concludes with the Dismissal.*

Let us bless the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 489 The great Creator of the worlds *Tallis' Ordinal*

Penitential Devotions *from Martin Warner, 'The Habit of Holiness,' Morehouse, 2004.*

Then I said 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Is. 6:5

Come to me all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Mat. 11:28

Penitence should be a quality in Christian living that is unrestrained, joyful and life-changing. This quality will be evoked by a variety of experiences. Perhaps the most immediate will be the heart-stabbing pain of confronting our own responsibility for causing suffering, fear, and alienation. But, as Isaiah's vision reminds us, penitence is also a response to the vision of the majesty of God, together with the 'unwelcome fact of our presence in other people's histories' (Rowan Williams) that pinpoints sin in social structures and relationships.

In order to avoid the destructive impact of guilt (how easily we can become 'confident in self-despair', as Charles Wesley puts it) it is important that we allow Jesus to minister to us by lifting the burden of our self-containment and comfortable self-importance.

The devotions that follow are suitable for use in two situations. The first is routine, in the recognition of sin and forgiveness that should be part of the fabric of life. The second is particular: response to an event or situation in which you need to seek reconciliation. You may undertake that process through prayerful use of these devotions. They form the prelude to confession. In whatever form, penitence is the gateway to renewal in prayer and Christian action.

Self-examination: admitting that the fault is yours

There is no great mystery to making your confession. But it does require courage to tell the story -- your story -- of the repeatedly shameful, silly, damaging, and, occasionally, the seriously evil things that you have done.

The story is a conversation between you and God. The priest is there as your friend and God's minister. Although a priest is instrumental in bringing about the sacramental encounter, the business is yours. That is why it is 'sealed', so that the priest may never mention it again. Like you, the priest is also a penitent -- human, sinful, and dependent on the grace of forgiveness. And therefore never shocked, or judgemental: simply a common traveller to whom is entrusted the stewardship of speaking the word of God's forgiveness.

As you prepare what you want to confess, remember to be specific (no names, just facts), simple in the telling (don't dress it up), and brief (that's the advantage of a list -- you know when to stop!).

What are my sins? You sin by what you, and you alone intend to do, think or say, or deliberately refuse to do, think or say. You sin in relationship: with God, your family, your work, your neighbour (remember the story, ‘And who is my neighbor...’), and yourself.

How do I judge? The law of perfect charity is the standard God sets us. The conventions of the world often blur the demands of that law, and confession can be exploratory: ‘This doesn’t feel right, and I’m not sure; is it sinful, these days...’

Where do I begin? With prayer, some time alone, possibly some tears, a fair amount of silence, and the Bible. And a pen and paper. And God. And his response: But I love you.

And the results? Forgiveness is freedom. Your intention is to change, to avoid the pitfalls and enjoy the freedom. It calls for a celebration.

Some Scriptural references to help in a self-examination:

The sin and repentance of King David:	2 Samuel 12:1-15
The preaching of Jonah:	Jonah 3, 4
The Beatitudes, standards of Christian living:	Matthew 5:1-12
The Gerasene madman:	Mark 5:1-20.
The woman who loved much:	Luke 7:36-50
The woman taken in adultery:	John 8:3-11
The parable of the prodigal son:	Luke 15:11-32
The parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector:	Luke 18:9-14
The parable of the unforgiving debtor:	Matthew 18:23-35
The parable of the two sons:	Matthew 21:28-32
Forgiveness at the cross:	Luke 23:33-43

A prayer to the Holy Spirit

O Holy Spirit, pour your bright beams into my soul, that I may discern my sins as clearly as I shall see them when I stand before the judgement seat of Christ. You are our guide to lead us into all truth; show me the truth about myself. Teach me my sins and the state of my life in your sight. Show me how often and to what extent I have offended you, the wrong I have done to my neighbor and myself, and all my sins of omission. Let nothing hinder me from the confession of my faults [before the minister commissioned to act in your name], and so grant me access to the well-spring of forgiveness and new life. Amen.

Serving Today

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev'd Blake Sawicky
Organist & Choirmaster	George Emblom
Verger	Kim Novak
Lectors	Rob Ooghe, Nancy Evans
Bidder	Paul Sporer
Vestry Host	Fran Carlson
Livestream Technician	TBD
Flower Guild	Mary McWilliams

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the weekly 'Lion'
newsletter.*

Liturgy Reading Group

The liturgy and theology book study group is beginning again. We have decided on a new and highly regarded introduction to Eastern Christian liturgies reflecting both on their rites and their theologies (Introduction to Eastern Christian Liturgies by Stefanos Alexopoulos and Maxwell E. Johnson, Liturgical Press 2022) We will try and find a time to meet (either weekly or bi-monthly) and cover a chapter each time (7 meetings total). If you are interested and/or want to know more, please contact Mthr Lizette (RevLizette@aol.com).

Spoken Word Play Reading, March 27, 2-4pm

On Sunday March 27, 2:00 – 4:00 in the Library, the Spoken Word Committee will present a reading of Matthew Hurt's "The Man Jesus." Inspired by the gospel of Luke, Hurt imagines how the various people who encountered Jesus responded to the man. The play ends after the crucifixion (no resurrection). Hurt's powerful and deeply human examination of the characters in the gospel (we never meet Jesus himself) invites us to imagine how we might have responded to the man Jesus. Please join Walter Hauck and Judith Berling for this performance.

InAsMuch Offering for March:

Alameda County Community Food Bank

This month the InAsMuch offering is dedicated to the Alameda County

Community Food Bank (ACCFB). As described in Wikipedia, ACCFB is “a non-profit organization that supplies food to 275 Alameda County agencies including food pantries, soup kitchens, child-care and senior centers, and after-school programs; provides an emergency food helpline; teaches nutrition and hunger education; and conducts outreach about California’s food stamps program CalFresh.”To donate, make checks out to St. Mark’s Episcopal Church (with Inasmuch on the memo line) and drop in the offering plate, mail it to the Parish Office, or make an online donation [here](#) (or follow the QR code in the margin). Thank you for your generosity! *The Social Justice Committee*



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Organ Recital, April 10, following evensong: Terry Farrow

Terry earned his bachelor’s degree in organ at the University of Illinois where he was a student of the late Jerald Hamilton. He went on to earn a master’s degree in organ at Eastman School of Music as a student of the late Russell Saunders. After music school he became interested in musical theater and moved to New York City where was was a keyboardist and/or conductor in the orchestra pit for several Broadway shows and national touring companies. He is currently the interim music director at Transfiguration Church in San Mateo.

Passiontide & Easter at St. Mark’s:

Palm Sunday	8am	Chapel
	10am <i>choral</i>	Church
Tenebrae, Wednesday	7:30pm	Church
Maundy Thursday*	7:30pm <i>choral</i>	Church
Good Friday*	12pm	Church
	7:30pm <i>choral</i>	Church
Holy Saturday*	7:30pm <i>choral</i>	Church
Easter Day	8am	Chapel
	10am <i>choral</i>	Church

**Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday compose the Triduum, the “Great Three Days.” The Liturgies of the Day, at 7:30pm each day, in effect comprise one single, extended Liturgy observing the last days and events of Jesus’s earthly life, through the vigil of the resurrection and the first mass of Easter late on Saturday night. They are among the most ancient liturgies of the church, kept in much the same way since at least the 4th century A.D. The 12pm Liturgy on Good Friday is another version of the day’s Liturgy, without the choir, for those who can’t be present in the evening.*

This Week at St. Mark's

Sun	March 27	<i>Fourth Sunday in Lent</i>		
	8:00am	Holy Eucharist	Chapel	<i>Joshua 5:9-12;</i> <i>Psalm 32;</i> <i>2 Cor. 5:16-21;</i> <i>Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32</i>
	10:00am	Choral Eucharist	Church	
	after church	Coffee hour	Patio	
	2:00pm	Play Reading "The Man Jesus"	Library	
Mon	March 28	<i>feria</i>		
Tue	March 29	<i>feria</i>		
	7:00pm	Meditation & Compline	Zoom	
Wed	March 30	<i>feria</i>		
	12:00pm	Office Hours with Fr. Blake	Zoom	
	12:10pm	Holy Eucharist	Chapel	
	5:00pm	Bridge Group	Lion's Hall	
	7:15pm	Choir Rehearsal	Parish Hall	
Thurs	March 31	<i>feria</i>		
Fri	April 1	<i>feria</i>		
	11:00am	Requiem: Louis Weil, priest	Church	
	after the service	Reception	Lion's Hall/Patio	
Sat	April 2	<i>feria</i>		
	9am-1pm	Sacred Ground: Session 10	Lion's Hall/Patio	
Sun	April 3	<i>Fifth Sunday in Lent</i>		
	8:00am	Holy Eucharist	Chapel	<i>Isaiah 43:16-21;</i> <i>Psalm 126;</i> <i>Phil. 3:4b-14;</i> <i>John 12:1-8</i>
	10:00am	Choral Eucharist	Church	
	after church	Coffee hour	Patio	

St. Mark's Parish Prayer List

In our prayers this week we remember before God: our own particular intentions, all who have commended themselves to our prayers, and all for whom St. Mark's is committed to pray:

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

For peace and justice in the world: For an end to all prejudice and wrongful discrimination; For Earth, for the wisdom and commitment to care for it through our practices; For the people serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, domestically and throughout the world; For those who find themselves homeless, hungry, or without resources; For refugees everywhere.

For those with illness or other needs:

<i>Bill Anderson</i>	<i>Andrew Howarth</i>	<i>Peter Piccione</i>	<i>Michael Willmore</i>
<i>Cain Family</i>	<i>Leonard Johnson</i>	<i>Emeline Pineda</i>	<i>Wendy Wisely</i>
<i>Geoffrey Cook</i>	<i>Everett Kinney</i>	<i>Lynn Poland</i>	<i>Jose & Kim</i>
<i>Michael Cook</i>	<i>Gus Koerber</i>	<i>Barbara Renton</i>	<i>Barbara</i>
<i>Emily Crowley</i>	<i>The Rev'd Corrie</i>	<i>Caroline Rone</i>	<i>Laird</i>
<i>Margaret Deeths</i>	<i>Lassen</i>	<i>Lisa Rowe</i>	<i>Bryan</i>
<i>Nancy Ditzler</i>	<i>Geoff Logan</i>	<i>Virginia Ruff</i>	<i>Mason</i>
<i>Tristan Donato</i>	<i>Ben Lesser</i>	<i>Kimberly Steil</i>	<i>Casey</i>
<i>Wren Donato</i>	<i>Neil McGraw</i>	<i>Doris Strakosch</i>	<i>James Dickey & Family</i>
<i>The Rev'd Michael</i>	<i>Tim Main</i>	<i>Dee Strange</i>	<i>Juliana</i>
<i>Dresbach</i>	<i>Karin Milliman</i>	<i>Drew & Lydia Tweedale</i>	<i>Bill M</i>
<i>Elizabeth Falk</i>	<i>Bob Mills</i>	<i>Teresa Vosper</i>	<i>Les Novak</i>
<i>Ronald Greene</i>	<i>Chris, Alice, Ethan, &</i>	<i>Alice Vest</i>	<i>Kathy</i>
<i>Martha Greenough</i>	<i>Hailey Moore</i>	<i>Wayne Weng</i>	<i>Rob</i>
<i>Haverty Family</i>	<i>Judy Moore</i>	<i>Diane Whiteside</i>	<i>Margo Wesley</i>
<i>Holly Herr</i>	<i>Alda Morgan</i>	<i>Jean Widaman</i>	
<i>Janice Hiles</i>	<i>Virginia Muller</i>	<i>Wilkinson Family</i>	
<i>Diana Hilliard</i>	<i>Jim Pehling</i>	<i>Jamey Williams</i>	

For the repose of those who have died:

Louis Weil, priest; Joseph Hansen; Paul Libanti; James McGregor; William Anderson; Madeleine Albright; Tim Niu



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