

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, March 17, 2024 8:45 am & 11:00 am

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The mission of St. Paul's Episcopal Church is to explore and celebrate God's infinite grace, acceptance, and love.

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The *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP) is the red book.

The *Hymnal 1982* (H) is the blue book.

The service starts on page 355 in the *Book of Common Prayer*.

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand at the tolling of the bell.

HYMN: HAIL, THOU ONCE DESPISED JESUS H 495

Please remain standing.

A PENITENTIAL ORDER BCP 351

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

THE DECALOGUE BCP 350

Please kneel.

At the end of each commandment, the following is said:

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Silence may be kept.

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

BCP 353



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON: JFRFMIAH 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.

The lector closes the reading, saying

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

People Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

THE PSALM: PSALM 51:1-13

Spoken at 8:45 and sung at 11:00



- Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | loving- | kindness; * in your great compassion | blot out | my off- | enses.
- Wash me through and through | from my | wickedness * and | cleanse me | from my | sin.
- 3 For I | know my trans- | gressions, * and my | sin is | ever be- | fore 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.
- For behold, you look for truth | deep with | in me, * and will make me | under- stand | wisdom | secretly.
- Purge me from my sin, and $|\overline{I}|$ shall be $|\overline{I}|$ wash me, and $|\overline{I}|$ shall be $|\overline{I}|$ clean in- $|\overline{I}|$ deed.
- 9 Make me hear of | joy and | gladness, * that the body you have | broken | may re- | joice.



- 10 Hide your | face from my | sins * and | blot out | all my in- | iquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean | heart, O | God, * and re- | new a right | spirit with- | in me.
- 12 Cast me not a- | way from your | presence * and take not your | holy | Spirit from | me.
- Give me the joy of your saving | help a- | gain * and sustain me | with your | bounti- ful | Spirit.

THE SECOND LESSON: 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.

The lector closes the reading, saying

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

People Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

Children in second grade and below are invited to follow the cross and process to Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace to take Communion with their families.

HYMN: AND NOW, O FATHER, MINDFUL OF THE LOVE H 337 11:00 service only

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 12:20-33

Please stand.

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

People 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.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

Please stand.

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

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.

in accordance with the Scriptures;

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

Our prayer list can be found online at www.tinyurl.com/stpaulsfay-prayer

Prayer is offered with intercession for the Universal Church, its members, and its mission; the Nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world; the concerns of the local community; those who suffer and those in any trouble; and the departed.

Please add your intercessions aloud or in silence after each petition.

At the end of each petition, the following is said:

Litanist Create in us clean hearts, O God,
People and renew a right spirit within us.

THE PEACE BCP 360

Please stand.

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly announcements can be found online at www.stpaulsfay.org/s/epistle.pdf

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Gifts can be made online at www.tithe.ly/give?c=454227



8:45 ANTHEM: SONG TO THE LAMB

11:00 ANTHEM: THE SECRET OF CHRIST

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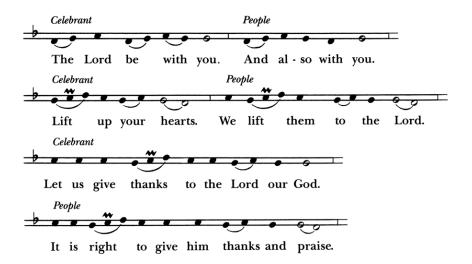
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

Please stand.

Spoken at 8:45; sung at 11:00.



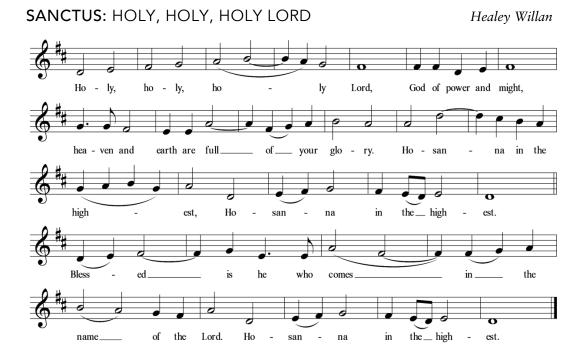
The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

Presider

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 Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...

... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father...

...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.

Presider and People



THE LORD'S PRAYER

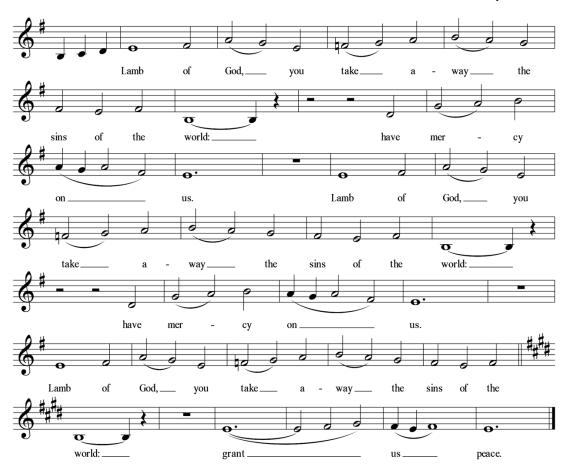
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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.



Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Whoever you are and wherever you are in your pilgrimage of faith, you are welcome in this place; you are welcome at God's table.

To receive Communion, come forward down the center aisle. Hand sanitizer is available. You may come up the chancel steps to the altar rail or receive at the floor station in front of the pulpit. If you need the clergy to bring Communion to your pew, please let an usher know. To receive the bread, extend your open palm to the minister. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. To receive the wine, guide the base of the chalice with your hand so that you can sip from the cup. You may also intinct/dip the bread into the wine if you prefer. If you prefer not to receive in either or both kinds, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intention. Return to your pew by the side aisles.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

For those joining us at home

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beg you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Minister In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these

holy gifts, that [names of recipients] may share with us the

communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one Body, because we all share one Bread,

one Cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Please stand or kneel.

Presider and 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.

HYMN: WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS H 474

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

After the dismissal sentence

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Please remain in your pew until the procession has passed by.

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