

# The Holy Eucharist

## The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 29, 2020 – 10:00AM

### CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES

#### The Liturgy of the Word

*During Lent we ask everyone to keep the sanctuary silent in the 5 minutes before the liturgy begins, giving us all the opportunity for prayer and contemplation.*

#### Welcome & Announcements

*All stand as are able*

**Entrance Hymn:** H -680 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

*St. Anne*

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.**

**Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.**

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.**

*All kneel as are able*

#### The Penitential Order

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*Presider* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endures for ever.**

*Presider* Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* You shall not make for yourself any idol.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* Honor your father and your mother.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* You shall not commit murder.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* You shall not commit adultery.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* You shall not steal.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* You shall not be a false witness.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Presider* Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your 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 commandment greater than these." (Mark 12:29-31)

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is 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.**

*Presider* 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.

*Sung together all standing*

### **The Kyrie**

*Choir* Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

*People* **Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.**

*Choir* Chri-ste e-le-i-son.

*People* **Chri-ste e-le-i-son.**

*Choir* Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

*People* **Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.**

### **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. *Amen.*

*Please be seated for the lessons*

### **First Lesson**

**Ezekiel 37: 1-14**

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me,

“Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

*After the reading*

*Reader*           The word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 130**

### **Read in unison**

*De profundis*

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice; \*  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,  
more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

### **Second Lesson**

### **Romans 8: 6-11**

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

*After the reading*

*Reader*           The word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel*

## **The Holy Gospel**

**John 11:1-45**

*Before the Gospel*

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

*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you

believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

*After the Gospel*

*Gospeller*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Homily**

**The Revs. Sarah Kooperkamp & Kimberlee Auletta**

*Please stand and say together*

### **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 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**

God formed us out of the dust of the earth. Let us pray for all people, as we are all made in the image of God. For the holy Church of God throughout the world, sharing the death and resurrection of Christ; (*Here and after every petition*) Lord, in your mercy... **Save your people.**

### **The Peace**

*Presider* Peace be with you.

*People* **And also with you!**

## **The Holy Communion**

*This is God's Table: all are welcome*

### **Doxology**

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*All stand, as are able*

## **The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **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... 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:

**Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
Hosanna, in the highest.**

*The Presider continues,*

Holy and gracious Father: 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:

*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, 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 LEVAS II 264**

**A.H. Malotte**

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Fraction:**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

**The Prayer of Humble Access**

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

*All kneel, as are able*

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Jesus, may all that is you flow into me.  
May your body and blood be my food and drink.  
May your passion and death be my strength and life.  
Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given.  
May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross.  
Let me not run from the love which you offer  
But hold me safe from the forces of evil.  
On each of my dyings shed your light and your love.  
Keep calling to me until that day comes  
When, with your saints, I may praise you for ever. Amen.**

**The Prayer Over the People & Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn: H-685 Rock of Ages**

*Toplady*

**Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;  
Let the water and the blood from thy wounded side that flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.**

**Should my tears for ever flow, should my zeal no languor know,  
All for sin could not atone: thou must save, and thou alone;  
In my hand no price I bring, simply to thy cross I cling.**

**Parting Prayer** *sung to the tune of Edelweiss*

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,  
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.  
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.  
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.**

**The Dismissal**

Let us bless the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

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Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, and it will be strange not to be together physically. We will be in touch during the week about how we plan to celebrate Palm Sunday and all of Holy Week, together, virtually, in a creative way.

We hope you will join us during the week  
to connect & pray:

Compline: Monday & Friday evenings at 9pm

Contemplative Prayer: Wednesday morning at 7:30am

Links to the Zoom for all of these are on our website:

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