THE HOLY EUCHARIST
THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 7, 2019
8:00 AM
Newcomers and visitors, the community of Saint Mark’s welcomes you. We hope that you will feel at home in this place and in this liturgy. Mothers are most welcome to breastfeed their infants during the service. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason, Dean and Rector of Saint Mark’s Cathedral, Presider & Preacher

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE Fantasia in C Minor, bwv 537a J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

All rise as able.

HYMN 398 I sing the almighty power of God • The Hymnal 1982 #398 TUNE: Forest Green

stanzas 1 & 3

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

LENTEN ACCLAMATION

Presider Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

Assembly His mercy endureth forever.

SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

CONFESSION Book of Common Prayer, p. 320

Presider Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.

Presider Almighty and most merciful Father,

All we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Presider pronounces God’s forgiveness of our sins. All respond: Amen.
Please remain kneeling or standing as able.

**KYRIE ELEISON**  
*Presider* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*Assembly* Christ, have mercy upon us.  
*Presider* Lord, have mercy upon us.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**  
*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*Assembly* And with thy spirit.  
*Presider* Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**READING**  
*Isaiah 43:16–21*

Thus says the Lord,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings out chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
The wild animals will honor me,  
the jackals and the ostriches;  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.  
*Assembly* Thanks be to God.
Psalm 126 • read by all in unison

In convertendo

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, *
“The Lord has done great things for them.”

4 The Lord has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Philippians 3:4b–14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
Assembly  Thanks be to God.

All rise as able.

The Holy Gospel  John 12:1–8

Presider  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Assembly  Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus’ feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house
was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, “Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?” (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, “Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”

Presider  The Gospel of the Lord.
Assembly  Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason

All rise as able.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE ASSEMBLY

After each petition, the Assembly responds: Lord, hear our prayer.

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Presider reads sentences of scripture.

THE PEACE

Presider  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
Assembly  And with thy spirit.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.
THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All rise as able as the bread, wine, and money we offer to God are brought forward and presented at the altar table.


Presider  The Lord be with you.
Assembly  And with thy spirit.

Presider  Lift up your hearts.
Assembly  We lift them up unto the Lord.

Presider  Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
Assembly  It is meet and right so to do.

Presider  It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All  Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Presider  All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”
Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”
Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our
souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

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

All AMEN.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

Assembly Therefore let us keep the feast.

Presider O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

All have mercy upon us.

Presider O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

All have mercy upon us.

Presider O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

All grant us thy peace.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All 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.
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider  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.

All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

If you need communion brought to your seat, please let any of the liturgical ministers know.
Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available; simply ask for one at the time of communion.

Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.
Or you may leave the bread in your hand for the chalice bearer to dip in the wine and feed you.
To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY  Organ Improvisation

All rise as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION  Book of Common Prayer, p. 339

Presider  Let us pray.
        All  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.

PRAYER OVER THE ASSEMBLY  The Presider prays over the Assembly. All respond:  Amen.

HYMN 474  The Hymnal 1982 #474
When I survey the wondrous cross   TUNE: Rockingham
stanzas 1, 2 & 4

DISMISSAL  The Presider dismisses the Assembly. The Assembly responds:  Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY  Fugue in C Minor, bwv 537b

J.S. Bach

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