



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 26, 2023 ♦ 9:00 AM

*Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all the Coast Salish tribes.*

*Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey you are welcome here! Signs in the nave indicate the distanced and undistanced sections. Please note that masks are required only in the distanced sections on the south side of the nave. Masks are recommended everywhere else.*

*All-gender restrooms are available on the 5th floor of Cathedral House, accessible via the elevator or southwest stairwell. Ushers can direct you. Ushers are available during the liturgy should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need a hearing assist device.*

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*The Assembly speaks aloud the **text in boldface**.*

*A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour bids all to keep silence for prayer and preparation.*

**PRELUDE** *Herr Gott, nun schleuß den Himmel auf*, BWV 617  
("Lord God, open now the heavens")

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

### LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

## THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

*All stand, as able.*

**HYMN 665** *All my hope on God is founded* (stanzas 1, 2, & 5) ♦ *The Hymnal 1982*

TUNE: *Michael*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Enriching Our Worship 1, p. 50*

Blessed be the God of our salvation: **who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

*The Presider reads a sentence from scripture.*

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Let us pray to God for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence is kept. You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Presider pronounces God's forgiveness of our sins. All respond: **Amen**.*

1. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy up - on \_\_\_\_\_ us.  
 2. Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy up - on \_\_\_\_\_ us.  
 3. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy up - on \_\_\_\_\_ us.

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**COLLECT OF THE DAY** *Fifth Sunday in Lent Year A*

*Prayers for an Inclusive Church*, adapt.

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

**G**OD OF COMPASSION,  
 You call us out of the bindings of death:  
 }make us ready to surrender the fears in which we hide s  
 o that we might step into your future alive and unashamed;  
 through Jesus Christ, the life of the world. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings.*



## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**READING** *Ezekiel 37:1-14*

**T**HE 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.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

The choir introduces the Antiphon, all repeat it. The choir chants the verses, all repeating the Antiphon as indicated.



With the LORD there is mercy; with him there is plenteous redemption.

**O**UT OF the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication. **ANTIPHON**

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. **ANTIPHON**

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. **ANTIPHON**

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. **ANTIPHON**

**READING** Romans 8:6-11

**T**O 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.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

After a brief silence the Presider stands; all rise, as able, for the proclamation of the Gospel.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

The choir introduces the refrain, all repeat it. The choir sings the verse below, then all repeat the refrain.



Verse: I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will never die.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**N**ow 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.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **HOMILY**

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason

*Following the homily, the assembly is invited into a period of silence, reflecting on the scriptures and sermon.*

*Please stand, as able, when the Presider stands to introduce the Creed.*

## 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in

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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, who with the Father and the Son 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

*After each petition:*

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect; all respond: Amen.*

## THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

*All exchange a sign of peace, respecting others' desires for distance to be maintained.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## OFFERTORY

*An offering of money is received. Everyone participating in Saint Mark's Cathedral's worship at this time in any way is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Together, our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. All worshipping in person are invited to place their offering in baskets as they are passed through through the rows.*

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## ANTHEM

*Lord for thy tender mercy's sake*

WORDS: Lidley's Prayers, 1566

MUSIC: Richard Farrant (1530–1580)

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake,  
lay not our sins to our charge,  
but forgive that is past,  
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives:  
to decline from sin and incline to virtue,  
that we may walk in a perfect heart  
before thee now and evermore. Amen.

All stand, as able.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.*

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to God.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We thank you, God of the wilderness, that in the valley of dry bones you create hearts of flesh quickened by the Spirit's breath. We thank you that you shared your Beloved Child who spurns might and glory and turns toward all who are broken in mind, body or spirit. We count the cross as folly to the world of violence

and coercion, and true wisdom to all who would follow you on the journey of selfless love. Therefore, with the whole communion of saints who glimpsed the glory in the humanity you shared, we worship you in holy majesty, as we sing:

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *Deutsche Messe*

Franz Schubert (1797–1828), arr. Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, —  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, —  
hea - ven and earth are full, — full — of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blest is the one who comes — in the name of the Lord. — Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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We ask that your Holy Spirit fall upon us and upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our Lord and brother, Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus gathered with his faltering friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way after supper, he took the cup of wine, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all that words can hold. And so we proclaim the great mystery of faith, saying:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

With these gifts we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty with his generous love. Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more, and people will come from east and west, north and south to share a feast of abundance.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Savior, by whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever.  
**AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

*In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.*

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD *Deutsche Messe*

Schubert, arr. Proulx

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

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## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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 may be seated for the time of Communion. All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.*

*Please follow the directions of the Liturgical Ministers. Bread and wine are distributed at standing stations at the head of three aisles. The bread will be placed into your outstretched palm taking care not to touch your hand. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask for one at the time of Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms in front of your chest.*

*Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of your chest as you pass by the chalice. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.*

**ANTHEM**     *When Jesus wept, the falling tear*

WORDS: The New England Psalm Singer, 1770  
MUSIC: William Billings (1746–1800)

When Jesus wept the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound;  
when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

**HYMN 635**     *If thou but trust in God to guide thee* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982*

TUNE: *Wer nur den lieben Gott*

*The assembly is invited to remain seated for a period of silence, contemplating the gifts of God given and received.  
Please stand, as able, when the Presider stands and returns to the Altar.*

#### **SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*On some Sundays, ministers take Holy Communion to sick or housebound members of the community.*

One body are we. **For though many, we share one bread and one cup.**  
Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

#### **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.*

Lord of the feast of boundless love; **we thank you for meeting us in our brokenness so that none might be lost: liberate us now to share the living bread of good news with our neighbor, each receiving from the other what we need to live according to your will. Amen.**

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

**HYMN 457**     *Thou art the Way, to thee alone* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982*

TUNE: *St. James*

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

**VOLUNTARY**     *Wer nur den lieben Gott läßt walten, BWV 642*  
(Tune of Hymn 635, “If thou but trust in God to guide thee”)

Bach

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