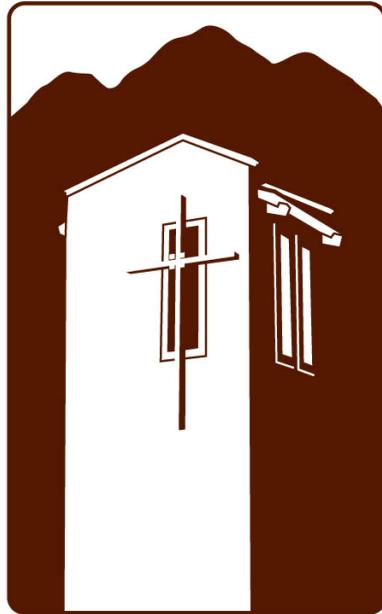


*Monday of Holy Week - Year B*

**29 March, 2021**

**6:00 p.m.**



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- **Maintain the 6' social distancing recommendation at all times.** Please use markers on floor and pews (or chairs outdoors) for reference. Do not congregate.
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## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

*Please stand.*

**The Processional** The Call

Ralph Vaughan Williams

### The Acclamation

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

*All* **His mercy endures forever.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*All* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

### **O Gracious Light** *Phos hilaron*

*All* **O gracious light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!**

**Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

**You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.**

### The Collect

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Old Testament

Isaiah 50:4-9a

*Reader*

A reading from **The Book of Isaiah.**

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my spirit upon him;  
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;  
a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed  
until he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people upon it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,  
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people,  
a light to the nations,  
to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord, that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;

before they spring forth,  
I tell you of them.

*Reader*

The Word of the Lord.

*All*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Reader*  
*All*

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
**and your faithfulness to the clouds.**

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,  
your justice like the great deep;  
**you save both man and beast, O Lord.**

How priceless is your love, O God!  
**your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.**

They feast upon the abundance of your house;  
**you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the well of life,  
**and in your light we see light.**

Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you,  
**and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Let not the foot of the proud come near me,  
**nor the hand of the wicked push me aside.**

## The Epistle

**Hebrews 9:11-15**

*Reader*

A reading from **The Letter to the Hebrews.**

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

*Reader*  
*All*

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel** *Please stand.*

**John 12:1-11**

*Celebrant*  
*All*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John**.  
**Glory to you, 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." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

*Celebrant*  
*All*

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

**The Sermon**

**The Very Rev. Daniel P. Richards**

*Please be seated.*

**The Song of Simeon** *Nunc Dimittis*

**Luke 2:29-32**

*Please stand.*

*All*

**Lord, you now have set your servant free \*  
to go in peace as you have promised;**

**For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \*  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:**

**A Light to enlighten the nations, \*  
and the glory of your people Israel.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

*Reader* With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father.

We pray for the good estate of the Church; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Jennifer, our Bishop, and Daniel, our Rector. We pray also for the clergy and servants of our own parish. Guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that all who profess the Christian faith may be led into the way of truth in righteousness of life.

*All* Lord, of compassion  
**in your mercy hear us.**

*Reader* We pray for all those in positions of civil authority; for Joseph, our President, and Doug, our Governor. Direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and peace. Give your angels charge over all those who serve in our armed forces at home and abroad.

*All* Lord, of compassion  
**in your mercy hear us.**

*Reader* We pray for all those who are in any way afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or spirit; comfort and relieve them in their need, give them patience in their sufferings, and restore them to health and wholeness. We especially pray for Thomas C., Suzan D., Gailen K., Tom T., Glenna Y., the Collipi family, the Fox family, the Francis family, the Morgan family, the Popper family, and the Sporleder Carr family.

*All* Lord, of compassion  
**in your mercy hear us.**

*Reader* We pray for those who have gone on before us in the peace of Christ, and we give you praise for all your faithful ones, with whom we rejoice in the communion of saints. We especially pray for Tom C., Priscilla F., Joan F., Peter M., and Howard P.

*All* Lord, of compassion  
**in your mercy hear us.**

*Celebrant* God our Father, in your love and goodness you have taught us to come close to you in penitence with prayer, fasting, and generosity; accept our Lenten discipline, and when we fall by our weakness, raise us up by your unfailing mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Confession** *Please stand or kneel.*

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

*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.**

## **The Absolution**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## **The Peace** *Please stand.*

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

*All* **And also with you.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

# **THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE**

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

*Please stand.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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

*Celebrant* 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:

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

*Celebrant* 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:

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

*Celebrant* 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.

*Celebrant* 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God . . .

### **The Post Communion Prayer**

*Please stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**



