

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 10, 2024 AT 10:15 AM



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ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

Know that you are most welcome, and we pray that you will return to worship with us again soon! Please do us the honor of filling out a Visitor Card, either by scanning the QR code to the right OR by filling out a physical card located in the pew rack in front of you. If you fill out a physical card, please place it in the alms basin during the offertory or hand it to an usher or to a member of the clergy as you leave today. Thank you!



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Holy Eucharist: Rite II

This service bulletin is designed for use with the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the blue Hymnal 1982, both of which are located in the pew rack in front of you.

Voluntary

During Lent we begin with the Prayer Before Worship on page 833 in the Book of Common Prayer.

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Processional Hymn: Come, thou fount of every blessing

Hymnal 686

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

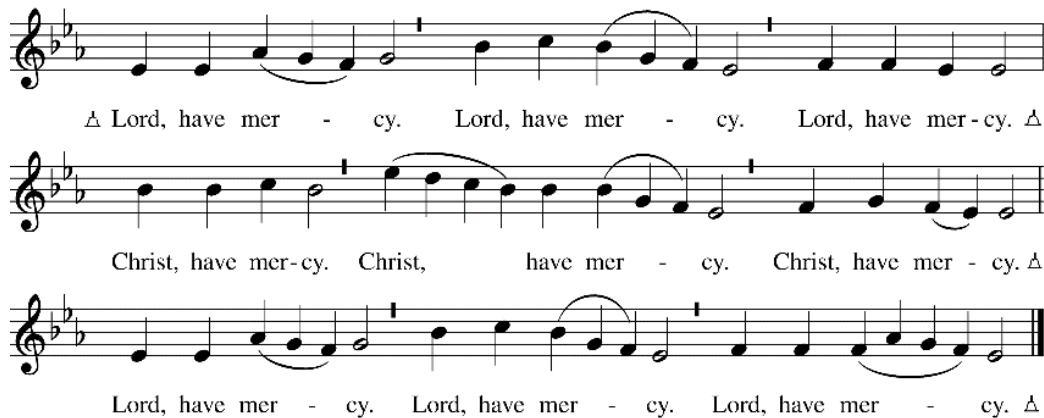
People His mercy endures for ever.

The Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

Lord, have mercy: Kyrie

Wonder Love and Praise 842



Δ optional bells

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The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Kids & Invitation to Children's Chapel

Children ages 4 to 5th grade are invited to the steps for a brief introduction to the day's liturgy or lessons. They then depart for Children's Chapel, returning for the Eucharist.

First Lesson

Numbers 21:4-9

Lector A reading from the Book of Numbers.

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22, *Confitemini Domino*

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

3 He gathered them out of the lands; *
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; *
they were afflicted because of their sins.

18 They abhorred all manner of food *
and drew near to death's door.

19 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.

20 He sent forth his word and healed them * A
and saved them from the grave.

21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy * B
and the wonders he does for his children.

22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving * B
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.



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Second Lesson

Ephesians 2:1-10

Lector A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: Just as I am, without one plea

Hymnal 693

The Gospel

John 3:14-21

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

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

Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Imogen Rhodenhiser

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP, p. 385

*In the course of silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.
The parish prayer list maybe found on page 11 of this service bulletin.*

Intercessor I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Sam and Jennifer, our bishops; for Imogen, Andrew, Justin, and Nancy, our clergy; for St. Philip's, Durham; St. Stephen's, Durham; and St. Titus', Durham; for The Episcopal Church; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now silently or aloud.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Intercessor I invite any other prayers or thanksgivings either silently or aloud.

Members of the congregation may offer prayers or thanksgivings.

Silence

Intercessor: Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Confession and Absolution

BCP, p. 360

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

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

Welcome and Announcements

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Carol and John Monahan in thanksgiving for our wedding anniversary.

Give to The Church of the Good Shepherd Online

Use the QR code to the right to give or pledge online.

Open your phone's camera, point the camera at the square, and tap the screen.



The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: God so loved the world

Bob Chilcott

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whoso believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Presentation Hymn: The glory of these forty days (*verse 5*)

Hymnal 143

O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, to thee be every prayer addressed,
who art in threefold Name adored, from age to age, the only Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP, p. 369

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us.**

By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

Hymnal S 130

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 And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

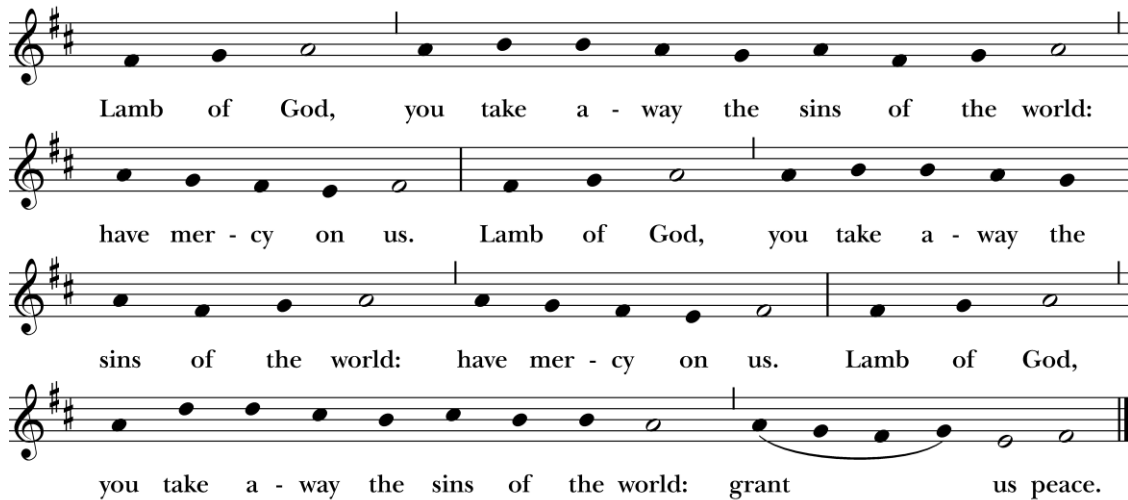
BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

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Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God

Hymnal S 161



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Invitation and Communion

All are invited to come forward during the sharing of Holy Communion.

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by drinking from the common cup? *Please come to the left side (lectern side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs in the sacristy.*

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by intinction (having a minister dip the host in wine and place it in your hand)? *Please come to the right side (pulpit side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs by the baptismal font.*

Where can I go to receive only the bread? *Please come to either location and tell the server "only bread."*

Where can I go to receive gluten-free bread? *Please come to either location and ask for gluten free.*

Where can I go to receive a blessing? *Please come to either location and cross your arms over your chest.*

How can I ask for communion to be brought to me? *Please ask an usher to receive by intinction in your seat.*

Communion Hymns

My God, thy table now is spread
Amazing grace! how sweet the sound

Hymnal 321

Hymnal 671

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **Because we who are many are one body in Christ. We share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Common Prayer, The Church of England

Celebrant Let us pray.
People **God of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

Solemn Prayer over the People

Celebrant Bow down before the Lord.
With the people kneeling, the Celebrant continues:
Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Recessional Hymn: Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Hymnal 690

During Lent we conclude with the Prayer After Worship on page 834 in the Book of Common Prayer.

Grant, we beseech you, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

Please join us for Fellowship Time immediately following this worship service and...

Come lend your hands to our congregation-wide service project benefiting Urban Ministries. After this service, we will be assembling Birthday Bags and Dental Kits in the Parish Life Center lobby. We will have assembly lines set up, and you simply start at one end and fill a bag. It won't take long, but it will bring joy and maybe even better health to folks in our community. Thank you!

Serving Today

Ushers	Kathryn DeShong and Steve Dorer
Verger	Caryl Fuller
Acolytes	Ed Gavin, Leighton Livengood, and Mason Livengood
Lectors	Jean and Gregg Knepley
Intercessor & Chalcist	Jennifer Tlusty
Livestream & Audio	Jacob Ferguson and Sam DeShong
Flower Guild	Molly Propst
Fellowship Time Host	Grace Sved

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRAYER LIST

Roy Wright, Carolyn Owens, Janet Gilliam, Ralph Sanders, Pete Taylor, Martha Bailey, Peggy Hawks, Ginny Byrd, Mitchell Lawrence, Darrell Dennis, Janie Ward-Newton, William Short, Catherine and Bob Williams, Fran and Paul Hoch, Carolyn Watson, Brinley Harris, Don Caudill, Shirley Caudill, Larry Bledsoe, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Carter Halloran, The Rev. Andrew Phillips, Stephanie Rivers, Peter, Joanne Miller and Family, Watson Pugh, Barbara Cato, Pat Moser, Pat Harris, Arlene Loder, Paul Henry and The Henry Family, The Pias Family, The Netzer Family, Logan Miller and Justin Williams and The Miller Family, Beth Hahn and James Joslin and The Hahn Family, The Lyerly Family, the people of Israel and Palestine, and the people of Ukraine and Russia.

And we pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially Guinda Miller, George Hahn, and Robert Lyerly.

Would you like to add someone to the parish prayer list? The people of The Church of the Good Shepherd are eager to join you in lifting your prayers to God. To submit a prayer request, please visit the parish newsletter or the parish website where you will find instructions for submitting prayer requests. If you should need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office. Prayer requests added to our public prayer list will be refreshed every month; please feel free to resubmit them if you would like them to remain on the prayer list.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH

Today is the Deadline for Easter Flowers!

Lilies and hydrangeas, to decorate the altar for Easter, are available for purchase to remember or to honor a loved one: \$15.00 for lilies; \$20.00 for hydrangeas. The proceeds will benefit the choir. A hardcopy order form is available in the Parish Life Center lobby and in the church's narthex and east transept OR you may order online through the parish newsletter. Please note that orders and payment are due **TODAY!** Thank you! If you have questions, please contact Molly Propst (919.523.8142) or David Baggett (919.831.2018).

Love Letters to Good Shepherd

As part of our 150th Anniversary celebration, we are collecting memories, fun moments, thoughts and calling it *Love Letters to Good Shepherd*. Everyone is encouraged to jot something down:

- A special moment you recall,
- What brought you to Good Shepherd,
- What things you enjoy most – you choose!

It can be anonymous, or you can sign your name. Use words or draw a picture. Express a thought as an individual, do it as a couple or as a family – tell us what you want the world to know about this parish in this moment in time. For the next few weeks, there are special boxes for collecting your letter; you'll find one on the table in the east transept (as you travel between the church and the Parish Life Center) and another one in the Parish Life Center's first-floor bookcase display spot. The "letters" will be part of our 150th Homecoming event on April 21st.

Congregation in Conversation

This Lent our *Congregation in Conversation* book is *Searching for Sunday* by Rachel Held Evans. Join us in the Ennis Parlor on Sunday mornings at 9 for fellowship and conversation facilitated by Jon Stoddard. For more information, please contact Jean Knepley by email: jeanknepley101@gmail.com or by phone: 586.216.2369.

This week's quote from Rachel Held Evans' *Searching for Sunday*

"Ultimately, all are commissioned. All are called. All belong to the holy order of God's beloved. The hands that pass the peace can pass a meal to the man on the street. The hands that cup together to receive Christ in the bread will extend to receive Christ in the immigrant, the refugee, the lonely, or the sick. Hands plant, and uproot, and cook, and caress. They repair and rewire, and change diapers, and dress wounds. Hands tickle giggling children and wipe away tears. Hands rub heaving bellies of big, ugly dogs. Hands sanctify all sorts of ordinary things and make them holy.

Through touch, God gave us the power to injure or to heal, to wage war or to wash feet. Let us not forget the gravity of that. Let us not forget the call."

Holy Week and Easter Worship Schedule

March 24 th	Palm Sunday	8 AM Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist 9 AM Sunday School and Adult Formation 10:15 AM Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist with Children's Chapel
March 27 th	Holy Wednesday	12 Noon Holy Eucharist
March 28 th	Maundy Thursday	7 PM Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar
March 29 th	Good Friday	12 Noon Solemn Liturgy 7 PM Taizé Service
March 30 th	Holy Saturday	7 PM The Great Vigil of Easter
March 31 st	Easter Sunday	7 AM Holy Eucharist at Sunrise (in the church) 9:45 AM Children Gather for Easter Egg Hunt 10:15 AM Festival Eucharist with Flowering of the Cross and Children's Chapel

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