

St. Charles Episcopal Church
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Rite II



April 6, 2025
The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome! We are pleased you are joining us today. Please share this service with your family, friends, and neighbors. Thank you, and God bless you for your faithfulness.

Voluntary

Herzlich tut mich verlangen

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

O Sacred Head Sore Wounded

The people stand as they are able.

THE WORD OF GOD

Gathering Hymn 474

Rockingham

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The people may kneel or sit as they are able.

Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

People: 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.

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.

People: Amen.

Kyrie Eleison Lord Have Mercy Ukrainian Orthodox Chant



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e -
 Chri - ste e - lei - son, Chri - ste e -
 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e -



lei - son, Ky - ri - e - e - lei
 lei - son, Chri - ste e - lei
 lei - son, Ky - ri - e e - lei



son.
 son.
 son.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

The people sit.

First 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: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Cantor first, then all. Columba Kelly

The Lord is _____ kind and mer - ci - ful.

The Cantor chants the odd-numbers; Everyone chants the even-numbers.

Tone II.1

1. When the Lord restored the fortunes of [Zi]-on,*
then were we like [those] who dream.
2. **Then was our mouth filled with [laugh]-ter,*
and our tongue with [shouts] of joy.**
3. Then they said among the [na]-tions,*
“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...shoulder-[ing] their sheaves.

Antiphon

Second Reading

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: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The people stand as they are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to You

Bernadette Farrell

Praise to you, O Christ our Sav-iour, Word of the Fa-ther,
call-ing us to life; Son of God who leads us to free-dom:
glo - ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

Gospel

John 12:1-8

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory be 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."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

Sermon

The Rev. Fran Holliday

A period of silence will be kept after the sermon.

The people stand as they are able for the reciting of the Nicene Creed.

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.

Prayers of the People (Form II)

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Paula, our Bishop; for Fran, our priest; for Steve, our Deacon; for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the church.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayer 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.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for all those in our community (*names*)

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, especially (*names*).
Let us pray for those who have died in our community and throughout the world.

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

Intercessor: We pray for our Search Committee and our parish as we seek a new rector, that we may be guided by the Holy Spirit.

Silence

Celebrant: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Peace

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

People: And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn

In Boldness, Look to God for Help

Morning Song



1 In bold-ness, look to God for help, like wo - men folk who
2 In bold-ness, lean on God for strength, and heal - ing from dis -
3 In bold-ness, learn of God the truth of Ma - ry's bet - ter
4 In bold-ness, love, nor count the cost. Con - front the world's harsh



dared: to ask that Je - sus heal a child, that
ease, of mind and bod - y, heart and will, whose
part: by fear and cen - sure un - de - terred, de -
stare: like one who washed the feet of Christ, and



crumbs of grace be shared, that out - cast ones be
bond - age Je - sus frees. Reach out and touch the
ter - mined in her heart to kneel at Je - sus'
wiped them with her hair, poured per - fume to a -



wel - comed to the feast God has pre - pared.
hem of Christ, and gath - er spi - rit's ease.
feet and learn the wis - dom he im - parts.
noint her Lord, and left love's fra - grance there.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 God thanks and praise.

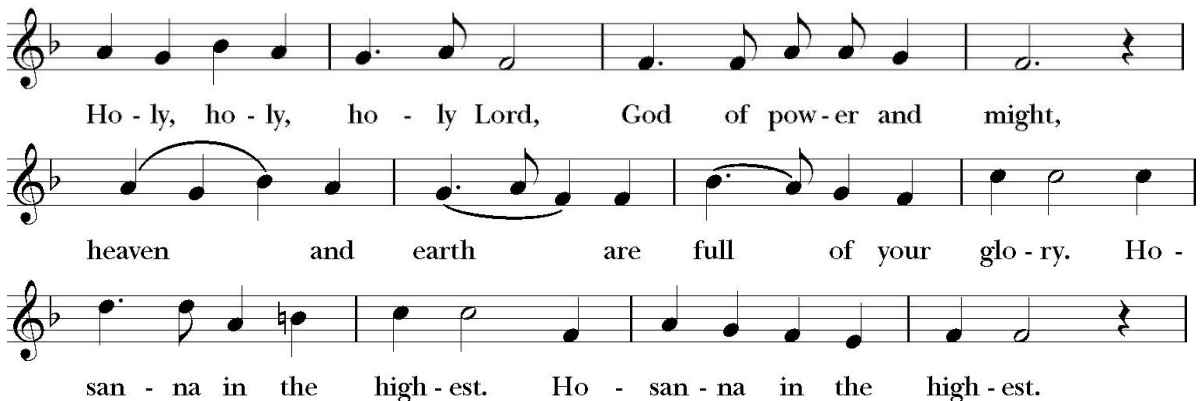
Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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 S125

Richard Proulx



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious God: 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:

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

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

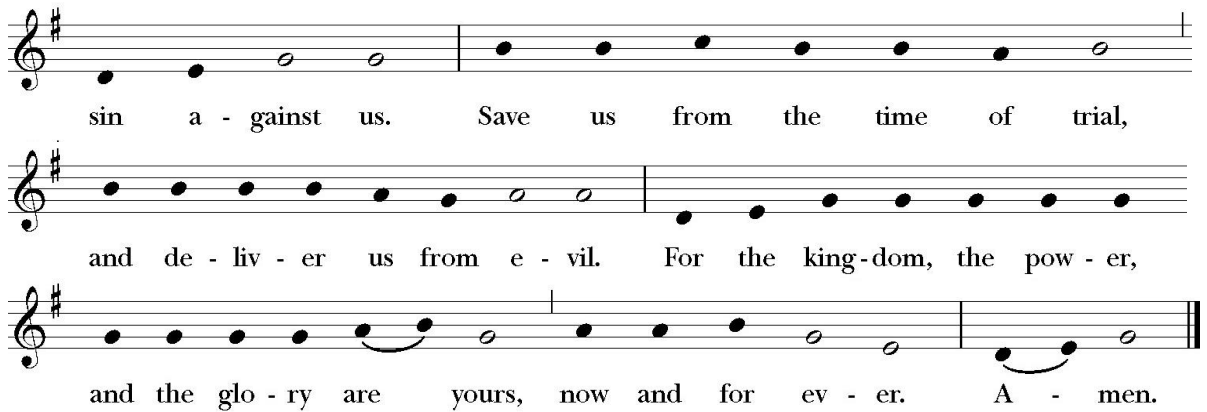
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your 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 God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in
hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who



sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,
 and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

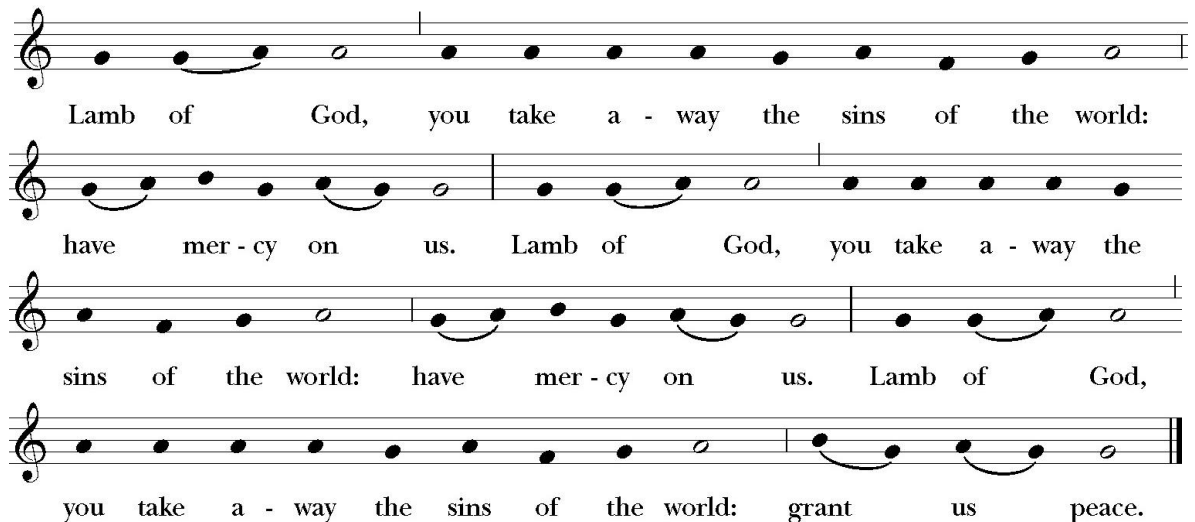
Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S160

Lamb of God

plainsong setting



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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

Communion

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available as well as grape juice; please make your need known to the minister. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion, please indicate by crossing your arms when you approach the Celebrant.

Communion Anthem

Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake

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.

Communion Hymn

Salvator Mundi

Music from the Taizé Community

Canon

1. Sal - va - tor mun - di sal - va nos. 2. Sal - va - tor mun - di

3. sal - va nos. Sal - va nos, sal - va nos.

4. Sal - va - tor mun - di sal - va nos.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: 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.

Blessing

The Celebrant will offer a blessing.

Sending Forth Hymn 598

Mit Freuden zart

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Due to their festive nature, the Concluding Voluntary is omitted during Lent.



Upcoming Events 2025:

- ❖ Stations of the Cross – Noon each Friday during Lent at the church
- ❖ Sunday, April 6 – 5:30 p.m. Newcomers Dinner – Ludtke Hall
- ❖ Thursday, April 17 – 6:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
- ❖ Friday, April 18 – Noon Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. Good Friday Solemn Service
- ❖ Sunday, April 20 – 9:30 a.m. Easter service with Eucharist

Sponsor Easter Services Flowers (April 20th):

Donations may be made to sponsor lilies for Easter Day services. Make checks payable to SCEC and note "Easter flowers" in the check memo line. Or give online under *General Donation* and note "Easter flowers".

Please note if the flowers are being donated in thanksgiving for someone or in memory of someone. The **DEADLINE** for Easter Services Flower donations is **APRIL 13th.**

Donation envelopes for Easter flowers are available in the pews. Look for the envelopes with pictures of lilies. Please contact Deb Sturges if you have questions.



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