



10:30

March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

WELCOME to all visitors and guests this morning. We are happy you are here to worship with us. If you want to know more about the Church of Reconciliation, please email info@cor-satx.org to receive our weekly e-mail.

- Assisted listening devices and large-print bulletins are available in the church narthexes.
- All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion.
- If you would prefer to receive Communion at your seat instead of at the rail, please let an usher know.
- Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.

TECH DAY!!!!

Come join the Youth after the 10:30 Service in the Rec Room where they will be helping you with your phones and tablets. Members of the Parish can bring their phones and laptops and the Youth Group will try to help them fix things!

It's our way of giving back to the community that is so supportive of our children. If your child is interested in helping, please let me know.

PEEPS Easter CONTEST!!

VOTE in Brown Hall today for your favorite Peeps Easter scene in Brown Hall!

Get Ready for...Easter Egg Hunt!!

On March 31st after the 10:30 service kids through 4th grade are invited to bring their Easter baskets and join us on the Labyrinth for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! This is a time for LOTS of fun and CANDY as well as giving back to our community. For our older kids, please join us in the Rec Room for our traditional CANDY BUFFET! We will need volunteers to help with hiding the eggs, so please let Jude (jude@cor-satx.org) know if you can help.

Socks for the Unhoused

Thank you to all who donated. **Last year, we collected over one thousand pairs!** Our grand total for this year was 1,217.

Children, Youth, and Families

Middle/High School Update: March 24: We are doing a Youth Group Tech Day after the 10:30. **Please meet in the Rec Room immediately after the 10:30 Service.**

Elementary Sunday School Update: Godly Play and Sunday School is for 4 year olds through 4th grade is Sunday at 9:15. **The topic for March 24th is Godly Play: The Faces of Easter.**

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (*no music*)

10:30am – Holy Eucharist (*livestreamed, with music*)

Exercise Class

Stretching, balance, tai chi every Wednesday and Friday at 10am in Alban classroom. Contact Jude at jude@cor-satx.org

Campus Care Day - Saturday, April 6, 2024

9:00am-12:00pm

Please come and enjoy the fellowship while helping to spruce up our campus, courtyard, and grounds. Bring your yard and garden equipment.

We need lots of volunteers! We also need "food" providers (sandwiches, chips, veggies, cookies, drinks, etc.) to "feed the troops." If you have any questions, call Bill Swann at the office: (210) 655-2731.

Please RSVP if you plan to come, to help us know how much food and drinks we need!

Bring A Can or Two For the Pantry!

Our little free pantry has been a blessing for those who are food insecure in our neighborhood and beyond. We thank our pantry partners who faithfully stock the pantry once a month on their assigned day. The pantry is often quickly emptied. If all Reconcilers could look into their own pantries and bring **just one non-perishable food item, book, or personal care item**, we could keep it stocked for even longer! Please consider doing so. You may drop off your donations directly to the pantry, or to the box in Brown Hall.

Church Office Closure

Our church office will be closed from April 1-5. We will have Sunday services as usual. Please contact a staff member if you have a pastoral emergency.

Holy Week 2024

Thursday, MAUNDY THURSDAY - March 28

- **6:00-7:00pm** – Agape Dinner in Brown Hall
- **7:00pm** – Holy Eucharist in the sanctuary with foot washing, followed by the Stripping of the Altar
- **One-Hour Vigil** - You are invited to stay one hour after the service to sit and pray in vigil, as Jesus asked his disciples.

Friday, GOOD FRIDAY - March 29

- **9:00am - 3:00pm** - Stations of the Cross in the courtyard (self-guided; drop by anytime!)
- **12:00pm** - Service in the sanctuary with Communion from the reserve sacrament
- *You are invited to wear black to the service.*

Saturday, EASTER VIGIL - March 30

- **7:00pm** - Holy Eucharist in the sanctuary
- *We will start our service on the Labyrinth*

Sunday, EASTER - March 31

- **8:00am** - Holy Eucharist in the sanctuary
- **10:30am** – Holy Eucharist in the sanctuary
- *No Adult Formation*
- *No Family Formation*
- ***Bring fresh flowers for the flower cross!***
- ***Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:30 service, with a candy buffet for the older kids***

Maundy Thursday's Agape Dinner, March 28, 6pm-7pm

Please join us for our Agape Dinner of lamb stew (gluten free) or vegetarian stew, salad, and dessert. **Please RSVP at cor-satx.org/agape-dinner-march-28-2024/ so we know how much to make!**

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS
ON THE LABYRINTH

THE OPENING MEDITATION

Fr. Phil Mason

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GOSPEL

John 12:12-16

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

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

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord— the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way.

Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

People **Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

People **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

The congregation is led around the courtyard in procession, led by the choir singing the following hymn:

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Hosanna, loud hosanna
the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple
the lovely anthem rang.

To Jesus, who had blessed them,
close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises,
the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed
mid an exultant crowd,
the victory palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud.

The Lord of earth and heaven
rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children
should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer,
the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence
eternally rejoice.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **The Lord's mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant: **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Lector: A Reading from Isaiah.

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Read by Phyllis Kline

The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens--
awakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118

***Refrain:* This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad;
this is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!**

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God's mercy endures forever;
Let the house of Israel say: God's mercy endures for ever. *Refrain*

The hand of the Lord has struck with power, God's right hand is exalted,
I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord. *Refrain*

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,
the Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes. *Refrain*

THE EPISTLE

Lector: A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Philippians 2:5-11
Read by Henry Jackson

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

We Come, O Christ

We come, O Christ as people seeking some sign of blessing on our lives, yet scarcely pause to hear you speaking or wait until your time arrives: help us let go, help us be still, in patience may we learn your will.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

CAST

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| • The Narrator: Fr. Phil Mason | • Judas: Mark Mangus |
| • Jesus: Jocelyn Anthony | • High Priest: Arden Shay |
| • Chief Priests: Lincoln Gwin | • Pontius Pilate: Forest Gwin |
| • Roman Soldiers: Rhodes Shay | • Bystander: Judith Anthony |
| • Disciples: The Reconciliation Choir | • Centurion: Joan West |
| • Crowd: Reconcilers | • Accuser: Jude Castillo |
| • Peter: Ian Anthony | • Servant Girl: Haven Anthony |

NARRATOR: Jesus and his disciples went to a place called Gethsemane; and Jesus said to his disciples,

JESUS: "Sit here while I pray."

NARRATOR: He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them,

JESUS: "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake."

NARRATOR: And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

JESUS: "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."

NARRATOR: He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

JESUS: "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

NARRATOR: And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them,

JESUS: "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

NARRATOR: Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

JUDAS: "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard."

NARRATOR: So when he came, he went up to him at once and said,

JUDAS: "Rabbi!"

NARRATOR: and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

JESUS: "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled."

NARRATOR: All of them deserted him and fled.

A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying,

ACCUSERS: "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'"

NARRATOR: But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

HIGH PRIEST: "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?"

NARRATOR: But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,

HIGH PRIEST: "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?"

NARRATOR: Jesus said,

JESUS: "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'"

NARRATOR: Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

HIGH PRIEST: "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?"

NARRATOR: All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,

ACCUSERS: "Prophesy!"

NARRATOR: The guards also took him over and beat him.

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

SERVANT GIRL: "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth."

NARRATOR: But he denied it, saying,

PETER: "I do not know or understand what you are talking about."

NARRATOR: And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,

SERVANT GIRL: "This man is one of them."

NARRATOR: But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

BYSTANDERS: "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean."

NARRATOR: But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

PETER: "I do not know this man you are talking about."

NARRATOR: At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him,

JESUS: "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."

NARRATOR: And he broke down and wept.

NARRATOR: As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

PILATE: "Are you the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: He answered him,

JESUS: "You say so."

NARRATOR: Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

PILATE: "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."

NARRATOR: But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

PILATE: "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

PILATE: "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: They shouted back,

CROWD: "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR: Pilate asked them,

PILATE: "Why, what evil has he done?"

NARRATOR: But they shouted all the more,

CROWD: "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

SOLDIERS: "Hail, King of the Jews!"

NARRATOR: They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

BYSTANDERS: "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

NARRATOR: In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

CHIEF PRIESTS: "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe."

NARRATOR: Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

JESUS: "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

NARRATOR: which means,

JESUS: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

NARRATOR: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

BYSTANDERS: "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

NARRATOR: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

BYSTANDERS: "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

NARRATOR: Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

CENTURION: "Truly this man was God's Son!"

NARRATOR: There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.

Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time.

When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus saw where the body was laid.

BRIEF MEDITATION (*sung*)

SERMON

Fr. Phil Mason

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith together.

***All:* 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.**

Intercessor:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, David our Bishop, Phil, our priest, Jennifer, our seminarian, and all other ministers of the church;

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for creation. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, so that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray especially for wisdom and discernment for our rector search committee.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those from our parish family: Kimberly, Garnet, Kes, John, Carolyn, Kevin, Tiffany, Jeffrey, Marilyn, Suzanne, Art, Kathy, Hall, Pat, Daniel, Lilas, Joel, Mike, Lori, Linda, Jill, Cathleen, Bette, Audie, Bob, Emmet, Fernanda, David, Roger, Pat, and Michael, and those we name either silently or aloud _____ (silence is then kept for a time) _____; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially those we name either silently or aloud _____ (silence is then kept for a time) _____; that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant reads the concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and 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.**

THE ABSOLUTION

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

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

People: **And also with you.**

(The people exchange greetings)

THE GATHERING HYMN

Peace Before Us

Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet.
Peace within us, peace over us, let all around us be peace.
Christ before us, Christ behind us, Christ under our feet.
Christ within us, Christ over us, let all around us be Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy birthday to:

Kimberly Mangus	3/21	Betty Graham	3/26
Janel Avila	3/22	Joe Smith	3/27
Oliver Merrifield	3/24	Audie Stone	3/30
Amelia Ortega-Palomino	3/25	Bill Swann	3/31
Serena Brittain	3/25		

*You are invited to come to the altar for a blessing.
If you would like your birthday, anniversary, or other milestone mentioned here,
please email info@cor-satx.org.*

BLESSING OF THE SOCKS

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your [neighbor] has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to [them], and then come and offer your gift.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Jerusalem by Gerhard Cartford

DOXOLOGY

Accept, O Lord

Accept O Lord, these gifts we bring to place upon your table.
We do not worship as we ought, but only as we're able.
Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer before you.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as humble we adore you.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give our thanks and praise.
<i>Celebrant</i>	God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
<i>People</i>	Glory to you for ever and ever.

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.

By your will they were created and have their being.

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

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

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.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

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: (*Bells*)

**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.**

The Celebrant continues

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."
(Bells)

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." (Bells)

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our ancestors: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebekah, Leah, and Rachel, 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.

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

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.
AMEN. (Bells)

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*sung*)

Pulkingham

**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 forever. Amen, Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

The people respond: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

THE INVITATION

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God, holy gifts for holy people. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion.
Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

**My Song Is Love Unknown
Hymnal #458**

THE GREETING AT THE RAIL

At the rail, pass the following greeting to your neighbor.

Greeting: The Lord forgives our sins.

Response: He does indeed.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, let us pray.

**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.**

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING HYMN

**Ah, Holy Jesus
Hymnal #158**

THE DISMISSAL

The Priest dismisses the people saying:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

The People Respond:

Thanks be to God.

Elementary Ministry:

Ages: 4 years old through 4th Grade

- **Sunday School from 9:15-10:20 a.m.**

Rec Middle School Ministry:

Ages: 5th Grade thru 8th Grade

Middle School Faith Formation/Sunday School: from 9:15-10:20 a.m.

Middle School Youth Group: TBA

Rec High School Ministry:

Ages: 9th-12th Grade

High School Faith Formation/Sunday School: from 9:15-10:20 a.m. in Rec Room

High School Youth Group: TBA

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**Serving and Ministering This Sunday
March 24, 2024****8:00**

Verger: Erica Valle

Prayers of the People: Susan Ennis

Chalice: Rusty Wilson

Sound: Rusty Wilson and Oliver Merrifield

Intincter: Roxie Montesano

Altar Guild: Team II (Sally Reischling Team)

Usher: Carol Westerkom

10:30

Verger: Erica Valle

Livestream: Lou Navarro and Lee Mick

Lectors: Phyllis Kline, Henry Jackson

Prayers of the People: Priscilla Coppock

Presentation of the Gifts: Linden Shay

Intincter: Judith Anthony

Chalice: Ron Graham

Acolytes: Rhodes Shay and Jamie Bentley

Altar Guild: Team II (Sally Reischling Team)

Ushers: Mark Gwin (Lead), Derek Charette, Eddie Cox

Greeters: Jann Steed (Lead), Susan Ennis

Breakfast: Matthew 25 Team

Coffee Hour: Annis Marshall, Christine Hausser

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