



# Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Second Sunday in Lent  
March 16, 2025

## The Service of the Word

**Prelude:** Isabelle Areola (piano)

### The Confession *Altogether*

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.*

### Opening Hymn: "In Christ Alone"

*In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All—  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.*

*In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied —  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.*

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

*People* **His mercy endures forever**

### The Collect of the Day - prayed by the Celebrant

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL \*\*\* (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

### Kyrie:

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### The First Reading: *Genesis 12:1-12, 17-18*

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

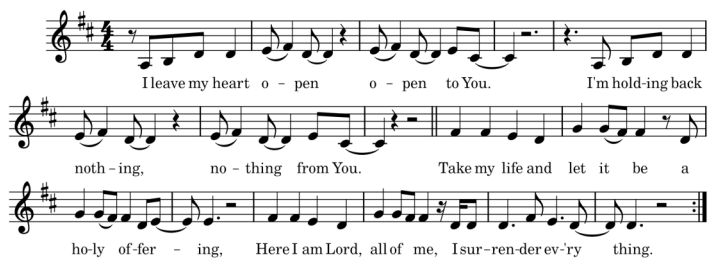
*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm: 27 (read responsively by half verse)

- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear? **the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?**
- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, **it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.**
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, yet **my heart shall not be afraid;**

- 4 And though war should rise up against me, **yet will I put my trust in him.**
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; **that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;**
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD **and to seek him in his temple.**
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; **he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.**
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head **above my enemies round about me.**
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; **I will sing and make music to the LORD.**
- 10 Harken to my voice, **O LORD, when I call.**



### Sequence Hymn: "Open"

#### The Gospel Reading: Luke 13: 31-35

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Message:** *The Rev. Rob Dixon*

#### The Apostles' Creed (in unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. *Amen*

(\*"catholic" means universal)

#### Prayers of the People

Have mercy on us, O God, and, in your great compassion, hear our prayers.

We pray for the whole church, all leaders and ministers, and all of God's people. Wash us through and through, *And cleanse us of our sin.*

In this season of Lent, we pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent, be transformed, and grow closer to you, Lord Christ. Create in us clean hearts, *And renew a right spirit within us.*

We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, and for all who govern and judge. Guide them to seek the common good and make just decisions, according to your will. Purge us from our sin, *And we shall be pure.*

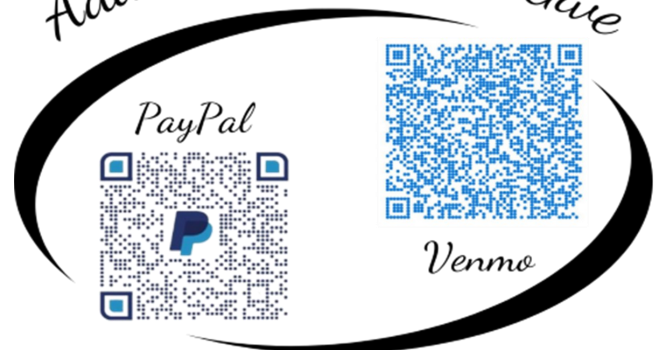
We pray for those who hunger or thirst, for those who cry out for justice or live under the threat of terror, and for those who are without a place to lay their head. Make them hear of your joy and gladness, *That those who are broken may rejoice.*

We pray for those who are ill, in pain, under stress, and who are lonely. We pray for all who are on our church's prayer list – *silence*. Give them the joy of your saving help, *And sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.*

We pray for those who have died - *Silence* - and for all who have entered into the land of your abiding peace. We commend them to your loving presence, *And ask you to comfort all who mourn. Amen*

#### The Peace: Welcome & Announcements

*Additional Ways to Give*





# The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 370 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

**The Communion.** *All seeking God through Jesus are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited to come forward, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. For bread only, no wine, put one arm across your chest. Gluten Free available.*

## Offertory : “He Looked Beyond My Fault”

*Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise,  
For it was grace that bought my liberty.  
I do not know just why He came to love me so,  
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.*

*(Refrain) I shall forever lift mine eyes to Calvary  
To view the cross where Jesus died for me;  
How marvelous the grace that caught my falling soul!  
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.*

*If not for grace, my soul would be a drifting ship  
With no safe harbor from the angry waves.  
But cavalry’s cross shines brightly through the darkest  
storm, And just in time, His mercy rescues me. (Refrain)*

## The Great Thanksgiving

**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.

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

## Sanctus S-129

*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 Lord’s Prayer (p. 364 BCP)

*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,  
forever and ever. Amen.*

## Communion Hymn 324: “Let All Mortal Flesh

## Communion Hymn: “Abide With Me” (See insert)

## Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## The Blessing

## Closing Hymn 439: “What Wondrous Love”

## The Dismissal

# NO ONE LEAVES HUNGRY FROM JESUS’ TABLE



As an important extension of our worship, the Food Pantry is made available and we have a Community Hour following our 10:30 worship. Ask an usher or priest for more information.

## Serving Today

### 8:00am

DOD: Pam Walker. Chalice Bearer: D’Anna Entrekin. Readers: Ed Austin & Janelle Berger

### 10:30am

DOD: Susan Karl. Acolytes: Bella Rider & Stella Dixon. Ambassador: Clay Coleman. Chalice Bearers: Miya May & Madeleine Hutchison. Readers: Angela Hinkle & Sarah Tarkus

# Your Sermon Notes

## Prayer List

### Requested Prayer

Betty Summer, Bill Holiman and Family, Chuck Collins, Cindy Robbins, CJ, \*Diane Persell, Eugene Peterson, Eula Lantrip, \*Fay Scordato, Helen Attem. Jaime Badilla, Jane Drake, Jean Turner, John Caljreas, \*Mabel Wilson, Marilyn Pruitt, Melissa Williams, Nancy Gibbons, Natalie Baxter, Sally Roberts & Family, Richard Pena, Steven Bell, Tabby Riley, Terri Miller, Walt & Gail Zimmer, Will Benson, Wallace Wilson, Cinda Barber

### Military

Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Anthony Robbins, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Benjamin Merriweather,

Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, James Madden, Jeremy Rice, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Kyle McChesney, Landen Haskins, Laz Bailiff, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Shaun Southall, Steven Bonello, Stephen del Risco, Taylor Knueven

### Repose of the Soul

Marilyn Love, David Pleasant, Crystal Tyson, Kenny Johnson, Lorelee Holiman, Tina Moore, Chris Mincey, Ralph Roberts, Sue Beasy, Wallace Wilson

### Clergy

The Rev. Rob Dixon, Pastor/Rector  
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The Rev. Matt Dollhausen, Assistant Rector - 850-477-8596

The Rev. Roger Hungerford, Associate Rector, Emeritus

### Vestry

Ron Burk, (Sr. Warden), Warren Jerrems (Jr. Warden), Tam Lee (Jr. Warden), Britt Landrum, Steven Bell, Hunter Walker, Donovan Chau, Sarah Tarkus, Leslie Parsley, Kaki Chambers, Jean Gibson, Carla Hardin, Chip Lands

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