

Lent V



The Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 22nd, 2026
Holy Cross Episcopal Church

Upcoming Concert!



The Way of Sorrows

Join the Chancel Choir for a concert exploring and reflecting on the themes found in the Stations of the Cross. Follow Christ's journey to the cross and grave through music, scripture, and prayer.

6pm Friday, April 3rd

Join us for Easter!

6:00am | 8:00am | 10:30am



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The Service of the Word

Good morning! We love our love for one another! Yet around 10:28am, once our Opening Voluntary begins, please help us begin the tradition of sitting down and preparing ourselves for worship with a moment of quiet and stillness during the offered song. But, please! Don't forget to offer others grace upon grace as we do so. Peace.

Opening Voluntary: "His Mercy is More"

Opening Hymn: "I Surrender All"

*All to Jesus I Surrender, all to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live.*

*(Refrain) I surrender all, I surrender all.
All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.*

*All to Jesus I surrender, humbly at His feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken;
Take me, Jesus, take me now. (Refrain)*

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People **His mercy endures forever!**

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.

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:

Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison.

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

The First Reading: *Ezekiel 37:1-11*

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the

Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' *The Word of the Lord.*

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 130 (*Read responsively by half verse*)

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice;
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you;
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption,
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Sequence Hymn: "Spirit of the Living God"

*'Cause when You speak and when You move
When You do what only You can do
It changes us, it changes what we see and what we seek
When You come in the room
When You do what only You can do
It changes us, it changes what we see and what we seek
You're changing ev'rything*

The Gospel Reading: *John 11:1-45*

People *Glory to you Lord Christ.*

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet

bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

People *Praise to you Lord Christ.*

Message: "The Changing of Seasons"

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



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 Hymn 168: "O Sacred Head"

For this portion of the service you will need your Book of Common Prayer (The red book in your pew). P. 370

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion Hymn: "Crowns" (See insert)

Communion Hymn: "Way Maker"

*You are here moving in our midst, I worship You
You are here working in this place, I worship You*

*(Chorus) You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise
Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are*

*You are here touching ev'ry heart, I worship
You are here healing ev'ry heart, I worship You You are
here turning lives around, I worship You
You are here mending ev'ry heart
I worship You, I worship You Lord (Chorus)*

*Even when I don't see it You're working (x2)
You never stop You never stop working (x2)*

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.

Closing Hymn 662: "Abide with me"

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: Nancy Gibbons. Readers: Hunter Walker, DeAnne Amacker.

10:30am: DOD: Sylvia Clark. Acolytes: Lamar Parsley, Gregory Rider. Ambassador: Clay Coleman. Chalice Bearers: Caroline Thompson, Camille Lukow. Readers: Rachel Holder, Jean Gibson.

Home Communion Volunteers:
Isabelle Peterson

Your Sermon Notes



This week's playlist!

Prayer List

Prayer

Marquerite Byrd, Susan Bell, Joy Van Caster, Audrey and Robert Westbrook, Benny Kingsley, the people of Cuba, Barbara Danielsen, Cindy Skeen, Travis Lee, Angie Rodriguez, Barbara Edwards, Lisa Johnson, Rev Teris, Willie Mae Norris, and Lafe Parsley.

Military

Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Anthony Robbins, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Bruce Gough, Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck, Daniel Payden, David Boyer, Donald Gibbons, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan

Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, James Madden, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kevin Kahl, Kyle McChesney, Landen Haskins, Laz Bailiff, Marc Ruiz, Matthew Ramirez-Hayes, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Crimauodo, Nicholas Pinkston, Patrick Resler, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, Steven Bonello, Taylor Knueven

Repose of the Soul

George Edward Pugh, Bernice Bennett, Mary Francis Lyons, and Rachael Aratin.

We would love to honor your marriage and ever lasting love with your late spouse on your anniversary. Please contact the church office if you would like to participate.

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Communion Hymn: "Crowns"

Verse 1&2



There is a hill I cher-ish where stood a pre-cious tree. The em-blem of sal - va-tion,
How is it I should pro-fit while He is cru - ci - fied? Yet as His life was tak-en,



the gift of Cal - va - ry. so I was grant - ed mine. My wealth is in the



cross, there's noth-ing more I want than just to know His love, my heart is set on Christ, and I will count all else as



loss, the great - est of my crowns mean noth-ing to me now, for I count-ed up the cost and all my wealth is in

Verse 3



the cross I will not boast in rich-es, I have no pride in gold. But I will boast in



Je - sus and is His name a - lone. My wealth is in the

