The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 27, 2022



St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

WELCOME

St. Cyprian's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community of faith, where every person is invited to engage in our worship, mission, and ministry. We expect those who are worshipping with us in-person to be fully vaccinated, wear a mask, and honor social distancing. This booklet contains all you will need for this morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the Announcement page. If you are a visitor to our live-streaming service, we would be honored if you would leave your name and email address to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries. WELCOME!

OPENING HYMN

"All Who Hunger"



- 1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
- 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
- 3 All who hun-ger, sing to geth er; Je-sus Christ is liv ing bread.





Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed. Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast. Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.





You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food. We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood. Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.





Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

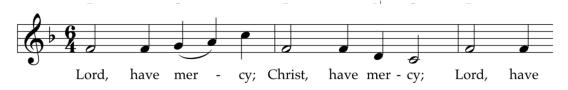
Celebrant: Blessed be God who forgives our sins.

People: God's mercy endures for ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

LORD HAVE MERCY







THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 FIRST READING:

Joshua 5:9-12

⁹The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. ¹⁰While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. ¹¹On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. ¹²The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Amen. Amen.

PSALM 32

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, * and whose sin is put away! ²Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no quilt, * and in whose spirit there is no quile! ³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, * because of my groaning all day long. ⁴For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; * my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. ⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, * and did not conceal my guilt. ⁶I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." * Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. ⁷Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; * when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. ⁸You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; * you surround me with shouts of deliverance. ⁹"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; * I will guide you with my eye. ¹⁰Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; * who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you." ¹¹Great are the tribulations of the wicked; * but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD. ¹²Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; * shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

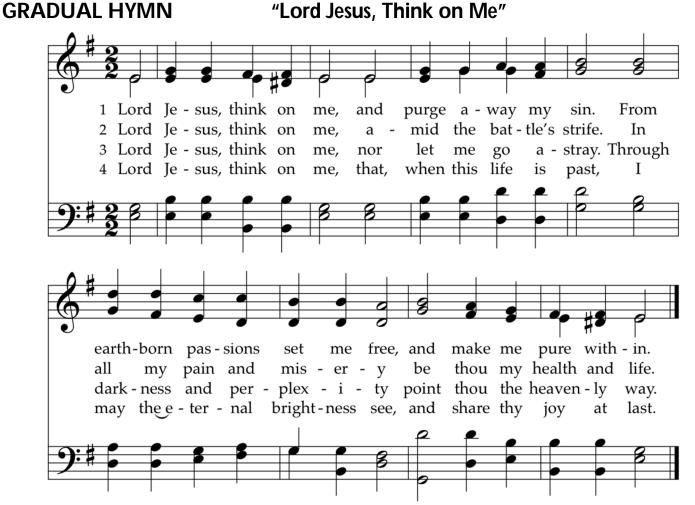
THE SECOND READING:

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Amen. Amen.



THE GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ^{11b}"There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! 18 will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." ' ²⁰So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹Then the son said to him. 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you: I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. ²⁵"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶He

called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' ²⁸Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' ³¹Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Gospel reader: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: Amen. Amen.

THE SERMON Fr. Ted Voorhees

ANTHEM "Bread of the World in Mercy Broken"

arr. Carlton Young

(Lyrics can be found on the Announcement page)

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ,
Who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.

You are our God. We worship you.

(New Zealand Prayer Book)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of St. Augustine, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of blessed Cyprian and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God.

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 our Savior 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 the grace of 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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"



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 our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

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 rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

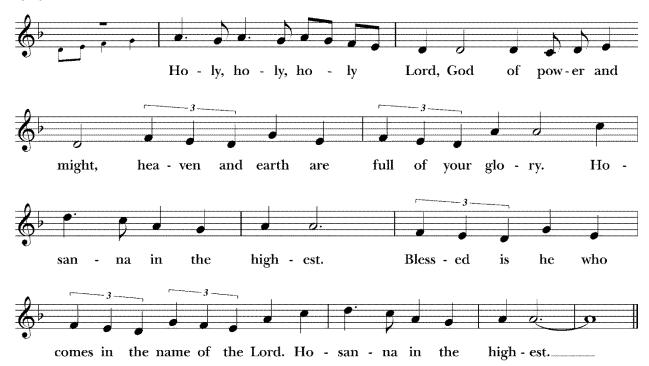
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

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:



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,

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

Lord God of our Forbearers; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

BLESSING

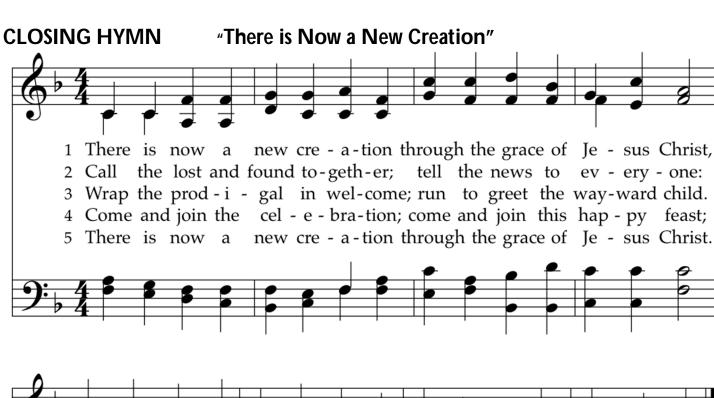
Live without fear.

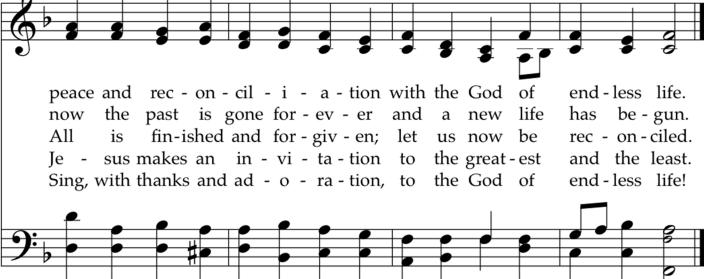
Your Creator has made you holy,
has always protected you,
and loves you with a power and a presence
that is stronger than death.

May God's blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, and the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

Amen.







DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "Psalm XIX" Marcello

About Our Worship Booklet

The worship in this booklet follows the form of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the *Book of Common Prayer*. The **Prayers of the People** are **Form I** (p383 BCP), the **Affirmation of Faith** is from the *New Zealand Prayer Book*, and we are using **Eucharistic Prayer C** (p369 BCP) during this Lenten season. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year C** using the *New Revised Standard Version* of the Bible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anthem Lyrics Bread of the world, in mercy broken

Bread of the world, in mercy broken, Wine of the soul, in mercy shed, by whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead: look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed; and be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.

Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Dick and Pastor Deena Galantowicz, Dick Massom, George Paul, Lucy Lang, teZa Lord, Sandra Parks, Neal Jones, Kirby von Egidy, Henning Toensmann, Jane Schwab, Carol Ann Romaine, Bobbi Miller, Bill Wall, Elise Osako, Pat Laurencelle, Jon Wiles, Jim Colee, and Beth.

We pray also for Raymond & Leslie Stricklen, Louise Carpentier, Cheryl Hundley, David O'Byrne, Curt Charlton, Susie Calvaruso, Jeff Robinson, Maury Husic, James Mangum, Terra Williams, Bethany Ringgold Stevenson & Family, Richard & Betty Rose, Margaret Anne Payne, Michael Scott, Glenda Greene, Joan Athey, Elise Loney, Mary Caldwell, Eric & Denise Glaude, Karen Mullis, Laurey & Jagger, Brian, Angela & Ariel, Bobby Morrow, Steve Larew, Rick & Margie Oney, Barbara Presha, Donna Miami, Bruce Cudworth, Marty Turner, Peter Morin, Norma Sherry, Daria, Linda Parker, Dennis O'Neill, George Libonate, Patti Morrissey, Bonnie Wahiba, Peter Ripley, Debbie Gagnon, Kelli Ann Dishmon, Jim Bullock, Allison Paisley, Carrie C., Catherine Martin, and Liza Aston.

<u>About the Prayer List</u> – If you would like to add someone to our Prayer please call or email Holly at 904-829-8828 or stcyprianschurch@att.net. And, please let us know when to take someone's name off our Prayer List.

Dining With Dignity

Many thanks to all who donated food, clothing, and/or funds to help provide a dignified meal to our homeless sisters and brothers in the area. Our next Dining With Dignity is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5. We are planning to return to serving a buffet style meal, so please sign-up in church, or call Linda Kish at (904) 429-9473

Ecumenical Food Pantry

The Ecumenical Food Pantry is now open five days a week during this Covid-19 coronavirus crisis, and the need for food is extremely high. If you want to bring food contributions for the Ecumenical Food Pantry, the church is open for prayer daily from 9am until 4:30pm, and the food basket is just inside the door. If you would like to make a monetary contribution (each \$1 buys 5lbs. of food), please mail the check to the church and put Food Pantry in the memo line.

Zoom Meetings

- Racial Justice Discussion Group Mondays at 11am
 - Aging Angels Tuesdays at 10:30am
 - Virtual Coffee Hour Wednesdays at 10am
 - Centering Prayer Wednesdays at 4:30pm
 - Reading Between The Lines Thursdays at 10am



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