



PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

221 Union Street • Cary, North Carolina 27511

THE FIFTH SUNDAY
IN LENT

The Rev. Javier Almendárez-Bautista, Celebrant
The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats, Homilist

HOLY EUCHARIST
9:00 A.M. SERVICE
MARCH 26, 2023

Prelude

What Wondrous Love is This
Bell of St. Paul's

Kevin McChesney

Processional

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!

Hymn 495

Liturgy of the Word

Penitential Order

BCP 351

The Celebrant says

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People

God's mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Priest stands and says

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 following is sung.

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison

Russell McKinney

Ky - ri - e e - le - i-son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i-son,
Ky - ri-e e - le - i-son. Chri - ste e - le - i-son, Chri - ste e -
le - i-son, Chri - ste e - le - i-son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i-son,
Ky - ri - e e - le - i-son, Ky - ri-e e - le - i-son, e - le - i - 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. *Amen.*

Children's Processional

Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymn 383

Verse 1

Children's Chapel is for children ages 3 to 5th grade.

First Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-14

A Reading from Ezekiel.

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, "Prophecy 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, "Prophecy 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.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm

Psalm 130

- 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.

Second Reading

Romans 8:6-11

A Reading from Romans.

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel

John 11:1-45

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

People

Glorify 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats

Nicene Creed

All who are able, stand.

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

People's Response: *Lord, have mercy.*

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

BCP 360

Announcements

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

Nearer, My God to Thee
St. Paul's Choir

Arr. Charles Walker

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The people remain standing.

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.*

The Celebrant proceeds.

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

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hymnal S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly — Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are
full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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:

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant then continues.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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 Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant then continues

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

Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

People and Celebrant

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.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God

Hymnal S 161

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

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

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

All are welcome to come forward for communion. Please follow the ushers' guidance as you come to the rail.

If you would like to receive the wine by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup), keep the bread in your hands and wait for the communion server to come to you.

If you would like to receive from the common cup (drinking from the cup directly), please consume the bread first and then make your way to the steps at the end of the rail. A communion server will be there with the common cup.

If it is not your custom to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms across your chest and the minister will offer a prayer. A priest is also available to provide prayers for healing in the back southwest corner of the church. Simply head to the back during communion distribution and wait for your turn.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Music

Prayer
Bells of St. Paul's
Humbly I Adore Thee
Lord Jesus, Think on Me

Erik Whitehill

Hymn 314

Hymn 641

Final Prayer

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food as we hear your Word proclaimed and gather at your holy Table. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional

All My Hope on God is Founded

Hymn 665

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

Carol Yeargin, Organist

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New to St. Paul's? Please let us know you are here by filling out a visitor card in the pew. Stop by our Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby) to chat with Greeters and find materials that might help if you are new to the Episcopal Church. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org to learn more.

Coffee Hour (Parish Hall): Hosted this week by the Care and Share Ministry. Join us in after the 9:00 a.m. service for coffee and conversation.

Adult Formation (Chapel, 10:15-11:00 a.m.): Our Lenten Forum Series is on *Faith and Leadership*. Join us today for a presentation by Rabbi Raachel Jurovics, PhD, Rabbi-in-Residence, Episcopal Diocese of NC: "Leadership in Interfaith Dialogue."

Children's Sunday School: Classes are meeting in the Education Building from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Youth Sunday School: Classes are meeting in the Youth Wing from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): Meets this evening from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Youth Wing.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES, APRIL 2-9, 2023

Palm Sunday, April 2: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m. - Procession of the Palms and Holy Eucharist

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week, April 3, 4, and 5: 7:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II

Maundy Thursday, April 6: 7:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Day: Eucharist and Foot Washing

Good Friday, April 7: Noon - Stations of the Cross for Families, 7:00 p.m. - Good Friday Liturgy

Holy Saturday, April 8: 8:00 p.m. - Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Day, April 9: 7:30 a.m. - Rite I; 9:00 a.m. - Rite II (Livestreamed); 11:15 a.m. - Rite II

Easter Day celebrations will also include an Easter Egg Hunt for children after the 9:00 a.m. service.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newcomer Tour: Those new or newly returned to St. Paul's who wish to know more can join a tour of our campus on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 10:15 a.m. Meet at the Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby).

Movie Night: Join us for Movie Night on Monday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Fortnight Brewing Company! This month, we'll be discussing the multi-Oscar-winning film, *Everything Everywhere All At Once*. Fortnight has good outdoor (covered) seating, and they offer non-alcoholic drink options in addition to beer. Watch the movie ahead of time and join for a discussion.

Lenten Midweek Eucharist Services: Join the clergy for contemplative prayer services each Wednesday leading up to Holy Week (March 29) at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. We use the readings for Lent as our guide and have ample time for meditation and reflection. All are welcome.

Habitat for Humanity Episcopal Build: St. Paul's is part of an Episcopal Coalition building a house through Habitat for Humanity in Old Poole Place in Raleigh. We welcome more volunteers to our team, particularly THIS SATURDAY, April 1, when St. Paul's has pledged to provide at least 15 volunteers and lunch for the crew. Contact Kevin McIntire at kvn.mcintire@gmail.com for more information on how you can be a part of our team.

Bread Bakers Needed: Help support our tradition of welcoming newcomers with a loaf of homemade bread by baking for us, a great opportunity for those who would like to contribute time but cannot attend regular meetings. Volunteers are asked to bake two loaves of any kind a few times per year. Learn more by contacting Sally Moller at sbm2@nc.rr.com.

Easter Lily Donations: Donating an Easter Lily to decorate the altar and worship spaces on Easter Sunday is a beautiful way to remember or give thanks for the special people in our lives. The Altar Guild requests a donation of \$35.00 per plant; make checks payable to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, note Altar Guild Lily on the memo line; envelopes are in the pews. All requests must be received by TODAY, March 26, for memorials to appear in the Easter bulletins.

Easter Egg Hunt: Join us after the 9:00 a.m. service on Easter Sunday, April 9, for an Easter Egg Hunt hosted by the Children's Ministry Committee. Children of all ages are welcome; there will be multiple locations around our campus suitable for various age groups. Help support this event by donating individually packaged candy treats or Easter-themed items like pencils or stickers. Donations can be dropped in the box in the narthex thru Palm Sunday, April 2.

Prayer List: Adelaide, Dave, Walt, Bob, Peggy, Hunter, Barb, Lytvinenko family, Christa, Ann, Vickie, Ann, Melanie, Patricia, Wendy, M-K, Andy, Theresa, Clarence and Susan, Jodi, Lynn, Clint, Elizabeth, Laura, Margaret, Ava, Millie, Ruby, Mary Jo, Catherine, Randy, Bebian, Ronald, Sally, Bob, Thomas, Ann, Janet, Coby, Gayle, Sandra, Gretchen, Joe and Melissa.

In the prayer for the deceased, we pray for Ed Dinwiddie, uncle of Steve Dinwiddie.

If you have a name you would like to include on the prayer list, or a ministry event that you would like to announce in this printed bulletin, please send information to announcements@stpaulscary.org. Please note that there is a 2 week lead time on printed announcements.