



## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SAINTS JAMES AND ANDREW

### **The Fourth Sunday in Lent**

March 19, 2023

10:00 am

Holy Eucharist with Spiritual Communion  
In-Person and Live-streamed

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#### **Welcome to the Season of Lent**

Welcome to Worship. We are blessed by your presence with us today. Lent is a season in which Christian people remember Jesus' time of deprivation and temptation in the wilderness before he undertook his active ministry, and in which we prepare ourselves to enter into remembrance of his sorrows, suffering, and death during Holy Week. Lent is a time of self-examination, repentance and prayer, as well as a time for fasting and reflection on scripture. This Lent, through our worship and stations of the cross images hung around our sanctuary, we are invited to reflect especially on our corporate brokenness, specifically with regard to the climate crisis, gun violence, racial and economic injustice. These themes will be reflected through the Great Litany and prayers of the people. With this emphasis on repentance, we will be using a penitential order, starting our service with confession. Each Lent we reflect the austerity of the season by forgoing ornamentation, using ceramics rather than silver on the altar, and proclaiming, *Lord, have mercy* rather than Glory to God. In Lent we do not say or sing Alleluia.

Our liturgy is drawn primarily from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer and Enriching Our Worship 1 & 2. We also frequently make use of other approved worship resources from elsewhere within the Anglican Communion, such as the Church of England, Scottish Episcopal Church, Anglican Church of Canada, and the Anglican Church in New Zealand. We believe that the use of fresh language provides us the opportunity to broaden and deepen our relationship with God. Our music is drawn primarily from the Hymnal 1982, Wonder, Love, and Praise, and Lift Every Voice and Sing II, and other approved hymnals. All materials are printed with permission using RiteSeries. Please note that our worship is live-streamed to Facebook.

#### **Our Mission**

We believe God is calling us to cultivate a community of love, joy, hope, and healing. Jesus is our model for a life of faith, compassion, hospitality and service. We strive to be affirming and accessible, welcoming and inclusive; we seek to promote reconciliation, exercise responsible stewardship, and embrace ancient traditions for modern lives.

Prelude

*Shall We Gather at the River*

Robert Lowry, arr. Anna Laura Page

Saints James and Andrew Bell Choir

Welcome

Heather

The Hymnal 1982 - # 7

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies*

Ratisbon

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,  
 2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;  
 3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:  
 joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,  
 Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.  
 till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
 more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Ratisbon*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

A Penitential Order

Blessed be the God of our salvation:  
**Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*Silence*

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us  
in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen. **Amen.**

**Song of Praise**

*Mass for Three Voices: Kyrie*

William Byrd

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, Bass) and a keyboard accompaniment. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Chri - ste e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. The score is in G major and 4/4 time. The first system shows the beginning of the piece, and the second system shows the continuation of the melody. The keyboard part provides a harmonic accompaniment for the voices.

## Collects

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

## First Reading

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Kathryn Aubry-McAvoy

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 23

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Jerome Webster Meachen  
(b. 1930)



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- 1 O God, you are my **shepherd**; \*  
I shall not be in **want**.
- 2 You make me lie down in green **pastures** \*  
and lead me beside still **waters**.
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- 3 You revive my **soul** \*  
and guide me along right pathways for the sake of your **Name**.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, /  
I shall fear no **evil**; \*  
for you are with me; /  
your rod and your staff, they **comfort** me.
- =
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who **trouble** me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil, /  
and my cup is running **over**.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my **life**, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of God for **ever**.

## Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

Mike Maleno

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!

Rise from the dead,

and Christ will shine on you.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Glory to you, O Christ.**

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

Molly

**Silence for Reflection**

**The Nicene Creed**

Heather

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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

Karen Whelan-Berry

*The liturgy is from the Racial Reconciliation Committee of the Episcopal Church's Standing Commission on Liturgy & Music.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful.

Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

God of love,

**Hear our prayers for the church.**

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

God of freedom,

**Hear our prayers for the world.**

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

God of justice,

**Hear our prayers for the earth.**

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

God of peace,

**Hear our prayers for this community.**

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons. We pray especially for Peter, Chantal, Felicia, Jennifer, Nancy, Agnes, Carol, Joy, Gerda, Ann, and Lilian.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of all Creation. At this time, I invite your prayers of thanksgiving or intercession either silently, aloud, or in the comment section of our virtual worship.

*Silence*

God of mercy,

**Hear our prayers for all who are in need.**



God of grace, we pray for those who have died. For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. We remember especially today Eden, who died in great sorrow this week. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

God of grace,

**Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

*Celebrant*

Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of the broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Exchange of Peace**

*Having received God's word of hope and new life, we share a sign of God's peace with one another.*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## **Offertory Sentence**

## **Offering**

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**Offertory Anthem**      *O For a Closer Walk with God*      Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame;  
A light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy dove, return, sweet messenger of rest;  
I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame;  
So purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

## **The Preparation of the Gifts**

Wise and gracious God,  
you spread a table before us;  
nourish your people with the word of life  
and the bread of heaven.

**Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

*(from Church of England)*

Heather

The Lord is here

**God's Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

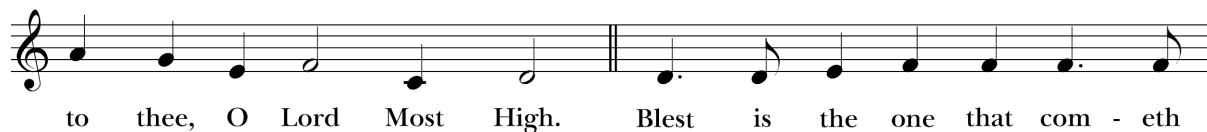
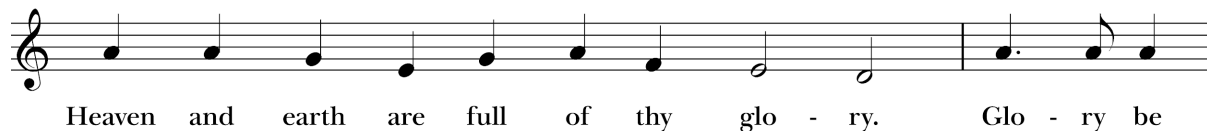
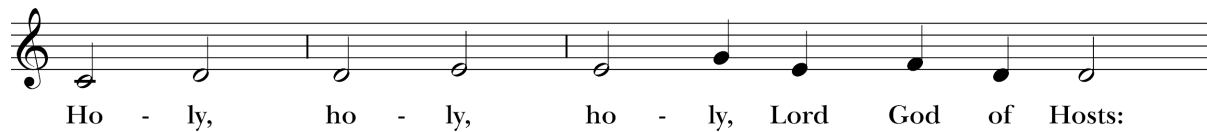
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

You are worthy of our thanks and praise, Lord God of truth, for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your word, and all things have come into being. You fashioned us in your image and placed us in the garden of your delight. Though we chose the path of rebellion you would not abandon your own. Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace. You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace. As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth, we echo the song of the angels in heaven, evermore praising you and saying:

**The Hymnal 1982 - # S113**

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord: Sanctus*



Music: John Merbecke (1510?-1585?); adapt. *Hymnal 1982*; acc. Thomas Foster (b. 1938). Melody: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

Lord God, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendor and light, yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human weakness.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation; loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us; dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

On the night he gave up himself for us all he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Look with favor on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with the power of your Spirit.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with James, Andrew, Mary Magdalene and all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **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 for ever. Amen**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.

**Lord, unite us in this sign.**

## **Spiritual Communion**

Please join us for a moment of quiet, and then we invite those worshiping at home and any moved to pray with them in solidarity to join in the prayer for spiritual communion.

*Silence*

Let us pray:

**Living God, holy Christ, we offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. We who do not receive the sacrament of bread and wine today long for your spiritual presence, that we may be strengthened by your grace, and that we may draw ever-closer to you and to one another. We pray you, come into our hearts, that we may live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen**

### **Invitation & Distribution of Communion**

*All are invited to come forward to receive communion, or a blessing. If you wish for gluten free wafer, please tell the clergy.*

### **The Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray:

**Blessed God,  
help us, whom you have fed and satisfied in this eucharist,  
to hunger and thirst for what is right;  
help us, who here have rejoiced and been glad,  
to stand with those who are persecuted and reviled;  
help us, who here have glimpsed the life of heaven,  
to strive for the cause of right  
and for the coming of the kingdom of Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

**Announcements** *(see back pages)*

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God of mercy, God of grace

Lucerna Laudoniae

1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy  
2 Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy  
dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -  
to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.  
bove, one in joy, and light, and love.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847), alt. Music: *Lucerna Laudoniae*, David Evans (1874-1948). By permission of Oxford University Press.

## Dismissal

Molly

This service has ended. Now let ours begin.  
Let us go forth to love and serve.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley*  
Saints James and Andrew Bell Choir

arr. Sandra Eithun

## Prayer List

*Names are on the list for 4 weeks, then removed. Feel free to add a name again.*  
Peter, Chantal, Felicia, Jennifer, Nancy, Agnes, Carol, Joy, Gerda, Ann, and Lilian.

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## Announcements

### Bach's Lunch

As the first concert in our "Bach's Lunch" series, Bruce Griffin will be performing music of Scarlatti, Beethoven, and Ravel on Wednesday, March 29 at 12:15 p.m. in the church. Bach's Lunch concerts typically are short concerts that take place during lunch hour, and audience members are welcome to bring their lunch and eat during the concert. This year Saints James and Andrew are planning to host six Bach's Lunch concerts, three in the spring and three in the fall. The concerts are free, and light refreshments including water will be offered in the rear of the church. We hope you will enjoy your lunch hour listening to beautiful music played by Bruce.

### Easter Flowers

Consider giving flowers for Easter in thanksgiving for/or in memory of a loved one. We encourage you to use our new online form to submit your memorials and thanksgivings [HERE](#). It will help us be accurate. You can also make a donation in the traditional way, using the Easter Flower envelopes available with the ushers. Place your envelope in the collection plate or return to the office by Sunday, April 2. Please write 'Easter Flowers' in the memo line.

### Special Lenten Fundraiser for Mission:

We are engaged in a new partnership for global mission: Ecole Saint Matthieu, Bayonnais, Haiti. We invite parishioners to take on a Lenten discipline of financial support for a primary school in rural Haiti. We are proud to have met our initial goal of raising \$1500 to the educational costs of five students in their new seventh grade building, and have revised our goal to \$ 4,000; if you haven't already done so, we hope that you'll help. We are partnering with Grace Church Amherst, which has been supporting Saint Matthieu since 2008. For details, see the article in the 2/16 newsletter, and visit the website [graceinhaiti.org](http://graceinhaiti.org). Donation envelopes are available in the narthex, and contributions can also be made on the Saints James and Andrew website. In the memo line of a check, please write, 'Haiti - St. Matthieu'. Thank you! To date we have raised \$3965.

## **Green Team Updates**

Green Team Updates. We have two Environmental Sunday events in the church coming up that we'd love for you to attend. Please note the different times for these events.

- March 19 at noon. Two high school students who are active in Youth Climate Action NOW (YCAN) of western Massachusetts, Ollie Perrault and Sasha Kracauer, will be speaking about their perspectives on the climate crisis and plans for YCAN.
- April 16 at 2 p.m. Aaron Mair is coming to speak. Aaron Mair is a long-term environmental activist on the local, regional and national levels. He currently serves on the Board of the Sierra Club and he served as President of the Sierra Club from 2015-2017. We will be selling tickets for this event in the narthex after our services. \$15 adults and \$10 for students and seniors.

We are also asking you to complete the 2023 survey selecting the types of events you would like us to schedule for the September 2023 to May 2024 program year. The link is in this bulletin ([here](#)) and in the newsletter. Thank you for participating.

## **Journey through Holy Week**

*All services are in-person and live streamed to Facebook.*

### **Palm Sunday—April 2 at 10:00 a.m.**

This service recalls Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem through music and Holy Eucharist. Please note this liturgy is different from traditional Palm Sunday liturgies, in that the Passion Gospel is not read until Good Friday.

### **Holy Monday—April 3 at 7:00 p.m.**

This contemplative service of worship in the Taize tradition includes sung and chanted prayer, brief readings, and silence for meditation.

### **Holy Tuesday—April 4 at 7:00 p.m.**

A healing service where the community is invited to gather together to offer healing, hope, and thanksgiving.

### **Holy Wednesday—April 5 at 7:00 p.m.**

Compline, often referred to as bedtime prayers.

### **Maundy Thursday—April 6 at 7:00 p.m.**

This service features music, the ceremony of the foot washing, anointing oil, celebration of the institution of the Eucharist, and the stripping of the altar.

### **Good Friday—April 7 at 7:00 p.m.**

This service commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus, and includes a reading of the Passion gospel, music, and solemn prayers.

### **Easter Vigil—April 8 at 7:00 p.m.**

This service is the primary celebration of Easter, beginning in darkness. The worship features the kindling of new fire, lighting the Paschal candle, the Exsultet, music, readings from the Hebrew Scriptures, the renewal of our baptismal vows, and the Eucharist.

### **Easter Sunday—April 9 at 10:00 a.m.**

A celebration of Christ's resurrection with music and Holy Eucharist, followed by an Easter egg hunt on the lawn.

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