



The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023

9:30 am In Person and FaceBook Live

| Lent 4; Year A |

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Church

If you are visiting, welcome! Please fill out a Guest Information card from one of the back tables.

Note: we video cast our services. Please silence your cell phone.

You can read **today's prayers and songs** on the screens at the front of the sanctuary, as well as in the Book of Common Prayer (red) and the hymnal (blue) under the seat in front of you.

Our Mission

To know Christ and to make Christ known!

Our Vision

Celebrate God, Cultivate Growth, Communicate Love!

Our Values

◆ **Worship** *Experiencing God through liturgy that is historical and relevant, music that is excellent and grounded in tradition, and services that involve participation of the parish in various ways.*

◆ **Diversity** *Appreciating and celebrating our differences in backgrounds, occupations, cultures, ethnicities, genders, generations, orientations, citizenships, and perspectives.*

◆ **Hospitality** *Sharing radical hospitality with all who visit and attend All Saints Episcopal Church.*

◆ **Community** *Loving and respecting all people, and their expression of singleness or family, with fellowship and education for all throughout their spiritual journey.*

Entrance Hymn *O for a thousand tongues to sing (Azmon)* (H 493)

Penitential Order (BCP p. 351)

Trisagion (Proulx) Missa Oecumenica

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 Lessons

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

The people sit.

A Reading from the First book of Samuel.

¹The 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.” ²Samuel 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.’” ³Invite 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.”

⁴Samuel 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?”

⁵He 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.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” ⁷But 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.” ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” ¹⁰Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” ¹¹Samuel 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.” ¹²He 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.” ¹³Then 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

Psalm: Psalm 23

Remain seated.

¹The Lord is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters.

³He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name’s sake.

⁴Though 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.

⁵You 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.

⁶Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus.

⁸Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—⁹for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; ¹³but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴for everything that becomes visible is light.

Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

Sequence Hymn (GOD IS LOVE)

All stand.

Gospel: John 9:1-41

All stand.

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

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

¹As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” ³Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, ⁷saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸The 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?” ⁹Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” ¹⁰But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” ¹¹He 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.” ¹²They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.” ¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then 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.” ¹⁶Some 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. ¹⁷So 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.”

¹⁸The 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 ¹⁹and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” ²⁰His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; ²¹but 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.” ²²His 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. ²³Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

²⁴So 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.” ²⁵He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” ²⁶They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” ²⁷He 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?” ²⁸Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” ³⁰The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” ³⁴They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

³⁵Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” ³⁶He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” ³⁷Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” ³⁸He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus 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.” ⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” ⁴¹Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Canon Bob Nelson

The Nicene Creed (BCP p. 358)

The Prayers of the People Form III (BCP p. 387)

The Peace

**Birthdays, Anniversaries, Celebrations,
and Other Prayer Requests**

Watch over your servants, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Choir Anthem: The Prayer of St. Patrick

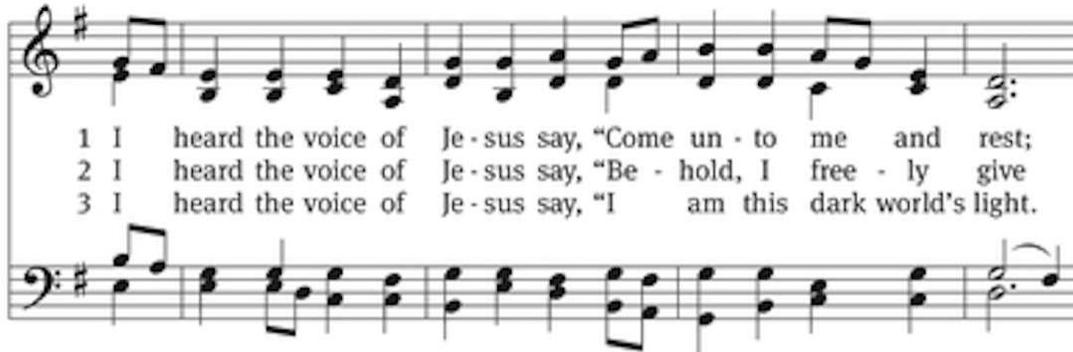


We will receive our offering during this time. You can contribute in the offering plate or online, using this QR code.

The Holy Communion

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

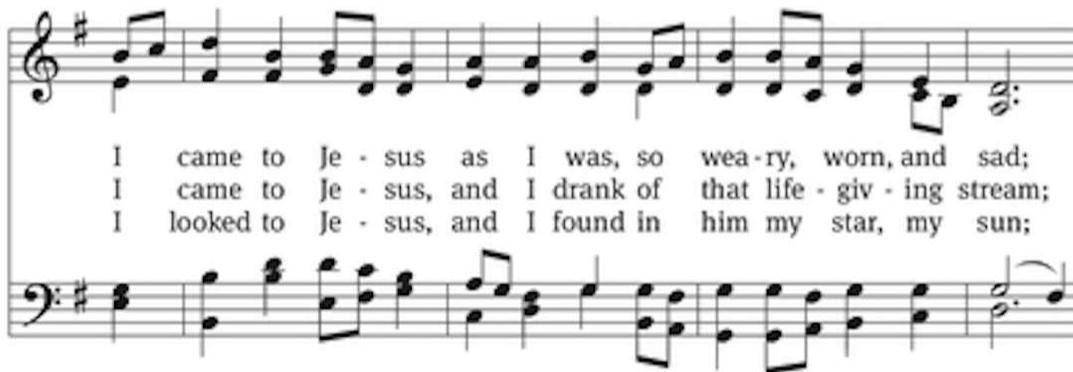
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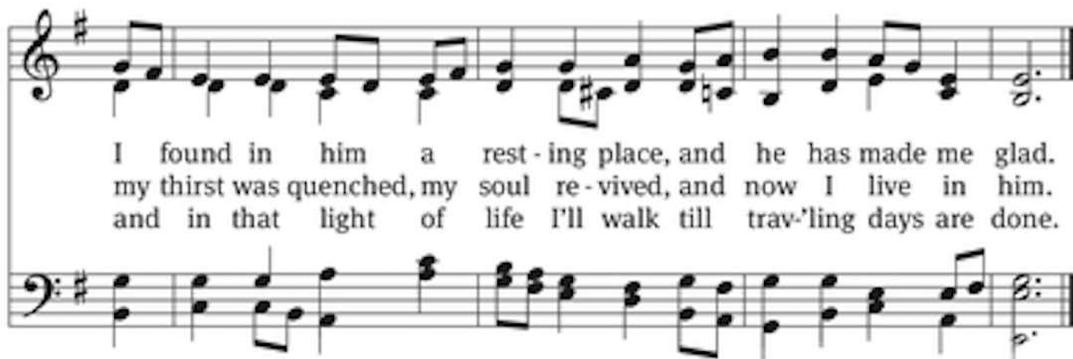
1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light.



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
Look un - to me; your morn shall rise and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

Eucharistic Prayer C (BCP p. 369)

Sanctus (BCP p. 371) *S 130 Holy, holy, holy (Schubert/Proulx)*

The Lord's Prayer, Contemporary (BCP p. 363)

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem *S162 Lamb of God (Felciano)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

grant us peace.

Communion is open to all.

Non-alcoholic and Gluten Free options are available on request.

Communion Hymn *The Lord my God my shepherd is (H 663)*

Post-Communion Prayer (BCP p. 365)

Celebrant: And now, united with those who are not able to receive the Blessed Sacrament and have joined us virtually, in solidarity with them we pray this prayer together.

Celebrant and people

**God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Savior,
our true Parent who feeds us and gives us eternal life.**

**Though our sisters and brothers joining us virtually
cannot receive these gifts of bread and wine,**

we thank you that all of us have received
the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins,
and all other benefits of Christ's passion.

Grant that we may continue for ever in the Risen Life of our Savior,
who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and
for ever. Amen

Blessing

Post-Communion Hymn *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart*
(Slane) (H 488)

Dismissal

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Weekly Events

Adult Bible Study: 10:45 on Sundays in Room 3.

Tuesday Book Study: 12:30 in the Parish Hall, reading *Blue Sky & a Buick*
by local author Karen Wilkes. Karen will be with us this Tuesday.

Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Upcoming Events

Vestry Meeting: March 21, at 6:30 in the Parish Hall

Needlers' Meeting: March 25, 10 a.m. until 11:30 in the Parish Hall

Patio Night: March 25 (see the notice on the Bulletin Board)

Palm Sunday: April 2

Easter Sunday: April 9

Just One Food Distribution: April 11 in our parking lot

Memorial for Elizabeth Creveling: April 15 at 10 a.m.



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Serving March 26, 2023

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3rd Chalice: Dennis Winslow

Ushers: Steven Ninemire
& Heather Paige

Lector: Steven Ninemire

Lessons March 26, 2023

Ezekiel 37:1-14, Psalm 130

Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45

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