



ST. PAUL'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

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## The Fifth Sunday in Lent

### Choral Eucharist

**Sunday, March 26, 2023**

**Ten o'clock in the morning**

**Organ Voluntary**      *Jesus I Will Ponder Now*      Paul Manz

**Hymn 458**      *My song is love unknown*      LOVE UNKNOWN  
(St. 1, 2, & 7)

**A PENITENTIAL ORDER FOR LENT**      BCP page 351

*Celebrant*      Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People**      **His mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

**THE DECALOGUE**      BCP p. 350

*All kneeling as able*

**THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**      BCP page 352

**Kyrie**      (*in the front section of the Hymnal*)      S95

*The people standing*

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

**People**      **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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.**

## THE LESSONS

### A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel

[37: 1 - 14]

### Psalm 130

*De profundis*

BCP p. 784

*The Cantor sings the refrain initially and the People join when invited*



With the Lord there is mer - cy and plen - teous re - demp - tion.

from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

### A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

[8: 6 – 11]

### Hymn 439

*What wondrous love is this*

WONDROUS LOVE

### The Holy Gospel

[John 11: 1 - 45]

### THE HOMILY

The Rev. Kenneth Messer

*Silence may be kept*

### THE NICENE CREED, *standing*

BCP page 358

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*All stand or kneel as able for prayer.*

*At the end of each intercession the people respond:*

*Intercessor: We call to you, O Lord;*

**People: Lord, hear our voice.**

*The Celebrant adds a Concluding Collect.*

### THE PEACE

BCP page 360

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The Holy Communion

#### Offertory Music

*The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee*

Jean Berger

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

#### Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

#### Sanctus

*(in the front section of the Hymnal)*

S124

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP page 364

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

**Fraction Anthem** *(in the front section of the Hymnal)* S160

*All who seek a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion by moving forward to the altar rail or by remaining in your place and indicating to an usher that you would like to receive. Alternatively, you are welcome to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are not yet baptized and feel drawn to receive Holy Communion, please speak with a priest about baptism after the service.*

**Hymn 141** *Wilt thou forgive* SO GIEBST DU NUN

*After the people receive Communion a period of silent reflection is kept*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** BCP p. 365

### THE PRAYERS OVER THE PEOPLE

*The Deacon or, in the absence of a deacon the Celebrant says*

*Deacon* Let us bow down before the Lord.

*The people kneel and the Celebrant says the following prayer:*

Celebrant Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Hymn 658** *As longs the deer for cooling streams* MARTYRDOM

### DISMISSAL

**Organ Voluntary** *Fantasy in G minor* J. S. Bach

## **Announcements for March 26, 2023**

### Today at St. Paul's

- The Sunday Group meets at 9:00 a.m. in the Library. We are reading and discussing the book *Calling on the Holy Spirit* by William Countryman.
- Following the 10:00 service, grab a cup of coffee and join Susie Messer in a short presentation discovering how the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> century artists in the Netherlands (Belgium and Holland) depicted the season of Lent.

Youth group will meet at St. Paul's on Wednesday March 29 at 6:00 pm to prepare our Holy Week Tenebrae service. All middle and high school youth are welcome to participate.

### **Lenten Art History Lessons by Susie Messer**

Wednesday, March 29th, 6:30 pm, [via Zoom](#) and in person. Famous Paintings Illustrating the Last Week of Christ's Life. Join Susie Messer in a presentation of a short history of Lent and famous paintings telling the story of last week of Christ's life. Through the images we view the different cultures and styles of the times they were produced. All the paintings will enrich our experience as we move towards Holy Week ourselves.

### **Making Palm Crosses**

On Saturday, April 1, the Altar Guild will be making palm crosses for distribution the next day, Palm Sunday. We invite six people to join us by contacting the Cathedral Office [execadmin@stpaulsdsm.org](mailto:execadmin@stpaulsdsm.org) (515-288-7297) anyone who is interested in learning how to make the crosses to come join us. We will be getting started around 10:30 that morning. Bring a pair of scissors and nimble fingers; we always have an enjoyable time doing this ministry. Coffee and donuts will be on hand. We need to make about 150 crosses, so help will be greatly appreciated.

**Our Holy Week and Easter Services offer opportunities to focus deeply on the mystery Of Jesus' death and resurrection. More information about all our activities can be found on our website: [www.stpaulsdm.org](http://www.stpaulsdm.org)**

### **Today's Liturgical Ministers**

*Celebrant* – The Rev. Nicola Bowler

*Homilist* – The Rev. Kenneth Messer

*Crucifer* – Jolene Phelps

*Torch-bearers* – Volunteers requested

*1<sup>st</sup> lesson* – Alex Kane

*Cantor* – Lexie Thiessen

*2<sup>nd</sup> lesson* – Ro Ruth-Bany

*Intercessor* – Sue Kerss

*Eucharistic Minister* – Scott Jeneary, Mike McCarthy

*Audio System* – Harold Alexander

*Ushers* – Volunteers requested

*Chapter Counters* – Phyllis Melton, Betsy Van Haften, (alt., Kirsten Buniak)



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**Vision Statement:** Grounded in Worship. Deepening in Faith. Reaching Out in Love.