



St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2025 | Holy Eucharist, Rite II | 10:30 a.m.
305 E. Capitol St. | Jackson, MS 39201 | standrews.ms | 601-354-1535

Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral!

Joyfully proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through grace-filled worship, radical hospitality, and incarnational faith. We are glad we can worship together today. Children are always welcome in our service. If you would rather your child be in the nursery or supervised playroom, feel free to take them out the pulpit side arch and through the chapel. You are welcome to bring them back into the service at any time. Feel free to come and go as needed.

PRELUDE

from *Annum per annum*: K

Arvo Pärt

HYMN H-1982, #605

What does the Lord require for praise and offering?

SHARPTHORNE



1 What does the Lord re - quire for praise and of - fer - ing?
2 Ru - lers of earth, give ear! Should you not just - ice show?
3 Still down the a - ges ring the pro - phet's stern com - mands.
4 How shall my soul ful - fill God's law so hard and high?



What sac - ri - fice de - sire, or tri - bute bid you bring? Do
Will God your plead - ing hear, while crime and cruel - ty grow? Do
To mer - chant, work - er, king he brings God's high de - mands. Do
Let Christ en - due our will with grace to for - ti - fy. Then



just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
just - ly, in mer - cy we'll hum - bly walk with God.

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

BCP, 351

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

The Presider continues

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14,16*

The People may kneel or stand.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence*

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 Presider 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.**

KYRIE, H-1982 #89

Hans Hassler, arr. James MacGregor

Unison or harmony

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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 People may be seated.

THE FIRST READING

JOSHUA

5:9-12

The 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. While 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. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The 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 The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM (*Chanted by choir and congregation.*)

PSALM 32

Adapted from *Nettleton*
by William Bradley Roberts



¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are for/given, *
and whose sin is put a/way!

² Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes
no / guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no / guile!

³ While I held my tongue,
my bones withered a/way, *
because of my groaning all day / long.

⁴ For your hand was heavy upon me day and / night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of / summer.

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin / to you, *
and did not conceal my / guilt.

⁶ I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the / LORD."
*

Then you forgave me the guilt of my / sin.

⁷ Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers
to you in time of / trouble; *
when the great waters overflow,
they shall not / reach them.

⁸ You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from / trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of de/liverance.

⁹ "I will instruct you and teach you in the
way that you should / go; *
I will guide you with my / eye.

¹⁰ Do not be like horse or mule,

which have no under/standing; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay / near you."

¹¹ Great are the tribulations of the / wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the / LORD.

¹² Be 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

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound

KINGSFOLD



1. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
 3. The Lord has prom-ised good to me, his word my hope se - cures;
 5. When we've been there ten thou-sand years, bright shin - ing as the sun,



I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.
 he will my shield and por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.



2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re - lieved;
 4. Through ma - ny dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;
 6. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!



how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved.
 'tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 15:1-3, 11B-32

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

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The 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. A 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. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But 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! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So 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. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But 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. And get the fatted calf and kill it,

and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But 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. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But 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.'"

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

The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Very Reverend Anne M. Maxwell

MUSICAL REFLECTION

The People stand at the invitation of the presider.

NICENE CREED

BCP, 358

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

BCP, 383

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 Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Dorothy our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Donald our President, for the Members of Congress, for the Justices of the Supreme Court, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, 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.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Andrew, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

THE PEACE

BCP, 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE www.standrews.ms/offertory

At the offertory, acknowledging all we are given from God, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, sacramentally in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

AT THE OFFERTORY

from *Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo*: Kyrie

Franz

Josef Haydn

The People stand and sing.

AT THE PRESENTATION

Thou, who dost all gifts impart

ABERYSTWYTH

5 Thou, who dost all gifts impart, shine, blest Spirit, in my heart;
 best of gifts, thyself bestow; make me burn thy love to know.
 6 God, the blessed Three-in-One dwell within my heart alone;
 thou dost give thyself to me: help me give myself to thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP, 361

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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 and Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS H-1982 #S124

David Hurd

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.

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: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

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 reign.

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.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, 364

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.

THE FRACTION H-1982 #301, v. 1

RENDEZ À DIEU

Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro - ken, Wine of the soul, in mer - cy shed,
by whom the words of life were spo - ken, and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sor-row bro - ken, look on the tears by sin - ners shed;
and be thy feast to us the to - ken that by thy grace our souls are fed.

THE INVITATION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People may be seated. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you may come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten free bread is available upon request. The table of bread and wine is the table of company with Jesus, and all those who love him. So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this Sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus in the world, and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN, H-1982 #144

Lord Jesus, Sun of righteousness

CORNHILL

HYMN, H-1982 #318

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face

NYACK

At the Presider's invitation People stand, and remain standing through the end of the service.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, 365

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.

SOLEMN PRAYER

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN H-1982 #680

O God, our help in ages past

ST.

ANNE



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 un - der the shad-ow of thy throne, thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou-sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
 5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;
 6 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening day.
 be thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

from *Annum per annum*: G

Arvo Pärt

OUR PRAYER LIST

Elizabeth, Joel, Cynthia, Bette, Wayne, Margaret, Christopher, Phyllis, Walter, Bob, Ben, and Kathy. (*The last names are not listed to provide some privacy for those who have asked our prayers but do not necessarily want to answer questions. Our prayers come from the heart and don't need details to be effective*).

AT WEEKDAY PRAYERS, WE PRAY FOR: Emma George, Ralph, Charles, Virginia, Joyce, Tasha, Barbara, Norma, Annabelle, Dot, Betsy, Susan, Matt, Betty, Chris, Paula, Anthony.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Dale Broadway, mother of Forrest Broadway; Olivia Thompson; and Dr. Larry Morris, cousin of Joe Morris and Sarah Morris.

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE BIRTH OF: Caroline Elaine Roach, daughter of Sara and Andrew Roach, and granddaughter of Holli and Dan Roach.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO CELEBRATE A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK: Sunday, Mar. 30: Charlotte Paul; Monday, April 1: Claudia Hauberg; Tuesday, April 2: No birthdays; Wednesday, April 3: No birthdays; Thursday, April 4: No birthdays; Friday, April 5: Ann Anderson; Saturday, April 6: Bill Davis, Olivia Lawhorn, Cooper Smith; Sunday, April 7: Lola Rhoden, Missye Scott.

WE GIVE THANKS FOR WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES IN MARCH: Carol and Jim Madden, March 11, 1967.

IN OUR COMMUNITY CYCLE OF PRAYER, WE PRAY FOR SPRINGBOARD TO OPPORTUNITY: Springboard to Opportunity connects families living in affordable housing with resources and programs that help them advance in school, work and life. Springboard to Opportunity works directly with families as well as establishing partnerships with other organizations to help families reach their goals is the aim. For more information, contact Sarah Stripp at **Sarah.I.stripp@gmail.com**.

WEDDINGS | Please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms.

HOLY BAPTISM | Please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms

PRAYER LIST | On Sunday mornings, our prayer list holds those in acute need of prayer. During the week, another prayer list holds those whose need for prayer is less acute but longer term. To add or renew a name on either of these lists, please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms.

PRAYER CHAIN | For prayers at any time, please call in your prayer request to one of our confidential Prayer Chains. For the morning or evening prayer chain, call Melissa Crouch at 601-672-8952.

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