Bless and guide the hearts and minds of the search committee, the vestry, and the parish, granting us the gifts of wisdom, discernment, listening, trust, and mutual regard that we might be led to a faithful priest who will care for your people and equip us for our collective journey, guiding us closer to you through liturgy and service. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace Prayer Book 332

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Anthem "Purge Me, O Lord" Thomas Tallis

Offertory Hymn "When I survey the wondrous cross" Hymnal 474

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer Book 340

Eucharistic Prayer II

Sanctus and Benedictus: Holy, holy, holy [Sung at 10:30 a.m. only, Music in the pews.]

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

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

The Lord's Prayer [Sung at 10:30 a.m. only, Music in the pews.] Prayer Book 336

The Breaking of the Bread Prayer Book 337

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant:

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) [Sung at 10:30 a.m. only, Music in the pews.] Prayer Book 337

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

If you have been baptized with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; you are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn [Stand as able.] "Let thy Blood in mercy poured" Hymnal 313

The Postcommunion Prayer [Kneel as able.] Prayer Book 339

Solemn Prayer over the People

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Closing Hymn [Stand as able.] "Eternal Lord of love" Hymnal 149

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Scripture readings are from www.lectionarypage.net/YearC RCL/Lent/CLent5 RCL.

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Mass ~ Rite I ~ Year C April 5, 4:00 p.m. & April 6, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Silent Processional

[standing]

Opening Hymn "A mighty fortress is our God" Hymnal 688

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Salutation Prayer Book 319

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: His mercy endureth for ever.

The Decalogue Prayer Book 317

The Penitential Sentence (Matthew 22:37-40) Prayer Book 319

Confession of Sin Prayer Book 320

Kyrie eleison [Sung at 10:30 am, Music is in the pews.] Prayer Book 324

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day [Kneel as able]

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

[seated]

The First Lesson Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD,

who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,

who brings out chariot and horse,

army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,

they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches;

for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert.

to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

The Psalm 126



- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were / we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our / tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
 "The LORD has / done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, * and / we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, * like the watercourses / of the Negev.
- 6 —Those who sowed with tears * will / reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, / shouldering their sheaves.

The Epistle Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

The Sequence Hymn

"Surely it is God who saves me"

Hymnal 679

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint John 12:1-8 [Stand as able.]

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon [seated]

Fr. Ron Keel

The Nicene Creed [Stand as able.]

Prayer Book 326

The Prayers of the People

Prayer Book 328

Let us say together the Collect for Grace and Guidance for St. John's Rector Search.

Lord of abundant love, Creator of all that is good and provider of all our needs, who has always raised up prophets and priests to lead your people, foremost of all, Christ the Good Shepherd. You have enlivened and surprised your people by the Holy Spirit and know better than we do the needs of this parish.