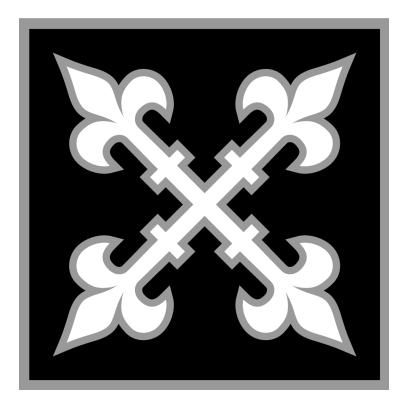
ASH WEDNESDAY

February 17, 2021



OUR MISSION

To bring by the power of the Holy Spirit as many people as possible to know, love, and serve God as revealed through Jesus Christ; and to be transformed into spiritually renewed disciples of Jesus who know, love and serve one another and the world.



FROM THE RECTOR

IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST, WELCOME.

Jesus' first words to His earliest disciples were very simple, "Come, follow Me..." (Matthew 4:19) It was a gentle invitation to take seriously the wonderful journey of faith found in Christ. For more than 2,000 years, people of all ages have responded to that invitation through a personal decision to follow Jesus Christ in a community of prayer, study and service. St. Martin's is just such a place.

St. Martin's is a member Church in the Diocese of Texas, The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and the greater worldwide Anglican Communion consisting of more than 77 million people. Our Parish Church considers it a tremendous honor to be a place where men, women, youth and children can grow in their personal relationship with our Lord, come to know and use their own spiritual gifts, and discover a personal ministry to be expressed both in the Church, the greater Houston area and beyond.

I want to personally invite you to participate in our worship services and as many of our activities and ministries as your own commitments and time will allow.

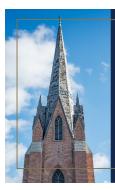
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The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr., Rector

Prayers Before Worship

O Lord, we thank You that You have called us as members of Your family into this beautiful house of God. Grant that here we may feel Your presence and the beauty of Your peace, and that, as we return to our homes and work, we may sense Your guiding hand and loving care and be used in the service of our neighbors, our nation and the world, and all You send our way, through Him Who came not to condemn the world but to save it, Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your provision for our church family, especially the resources we need to expand and develop our church campus in order to further the work of Your Gospel in this place. Give us strength and grace as the construction takes place, that it would go as You will, for Your purposes and Your kingdom. Bless and keep safe all those who labor on our behalf. All this we ask through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*



Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register for the next in-person service?

Registration opens at 9 a.m. on Monday for Sunday in-person services for that week. To register for The Church or The Family Table services, visit at bit.ly/smecworshiprsvp or call 713-621-3040. *It is not necessary to register for Wednesday in-person services, excluding Ash Wednesday.*

What do I do when I arrive?

Please check in when you arrive.

- Seating is on a first come, first serve basis. When seated, use the six feet signs in the pews to social distance yourself from the people sitting next to you. Ushers are available to assist if needed.
- Doors to The Church open at 11:20 a.m. for the Wednesday service.
- Doors to The Church open at 9:20 a.m. for the Sunday service.
- Doors to Bagby Parish Hall open at 8:45 a.m. for The Family Table service.
- Doors close 5 minutes before the service starts. We appreciate your understanding and assistance in keeping on schedule.

What if my plans changed and I cannot attend?

Please cancel your reservation to allow others the opportunity to have your seat. The link to cancel can be found in your confirmation email. If the number of people in your reservation changes:

- For The Church, please contact Kathy Johnson at 713-985-3834.
- For The Family Table, please contact Beth Ollenburger at 713-830-4146.

Will childcare be available?

Currently child care is available for Sunday in-person worship only. *Availability is limited*. For additional information and to register, visit bit.ly/smecworshiprsvp or contact Holli Kight at 713-985-3816 or hkight@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Will I be able to use the Bibles and/or Books of Common Prayer that are in the pew racks?

No. All materials, including hymnals and Books of Common Prayer, have been removed for your safety. All service information will be the worship bulletin. You are welcome to bring your own Book of Common Payer or Bible to use.

Will valet parking be available?

While valet parking is unavailable at this time, family members may drop off others under porte cochères.

Are services available online?

Yes, we will continue to live stream our services on YouTube and Facebook.

Now that we have reopened for worship, has St. Martin's campus also reopened? Essential staff continue to work on campus as needed, but the campus remains closed.

- Café St. Martin's Curbside is available for lunch Monday—Friday. The menu and instructions for ordering
 and pick-up are available at stmartinsepiscopal.org/cafe-st-martins. Please contact Chrissy Kana at
 cafe@stmartinsepiscopal.org for further questions.
- St. Martin's Gift Shoppe is open 9 a.m.—noon Sundays and 10 a.m.—4 p.m. Monday—Thursday. Private appointments are available by contacting qiftshoppe@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3840.

ASH WEDNESDAY

VOLUNTARY....."Prayer"

Gabriel Pierné

Dr. David Henning, Director of Music and Parish Organist

All stand following the greeting.

Begin on page 325 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect (kneel) (BCP pg. 217)

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

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

THE SECOND LESSON ... 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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

All stand.

HYMN 676 (vs. 1)"There's a Balm in Gilead"



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Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

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



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Please be seated.

THE SERMON

"The Mark of Christ and What It Means for You" The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr. After the Sermon, all stand, and the Minister invites the people to the observance of a holy Lent, saying (BCP pg. 264)

Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance: by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is then kept for a time, all kneeling.

The Minister says the following prayer over the ashes to be imposed. The ushers come forward during the prayer to assist worshipers to the Altar Rail.

Almighty God, thou hast created us out of the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, that we may remember that it is only by thy gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

The Minister invites those who desire the imposition of ashes to come to the Altar Rail.

The ashes are imposed with the following words

Remember that thou art dust, and unto dust thou shalt return.

PSALM 51 (said by all at 8 a.m.; sung by choir at noon, 3:30 and 6 p.m.)

- Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; * in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.
- For I know my transgressions, * 3 and my sin is ever before me.
- Against you only have I sinned * 4 and done what is evil in your sight.
- And so you are justified when you speak * 5 and upright in your judgment.
- Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.
- For behold, you look for truth deep within me, * and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * 8 wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- Make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins * and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God. * and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence * and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again * and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
- 14 I shall teach your ways to the wicked. * and sinners shall return to you.
- 15 Deliver me from death, O God, * and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my salvation.
- 16 Open my lips, O Lord, * and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
- 17 Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice; * but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.
- 18 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; * a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

THE LITANY OF PENITENCE (kneel) (BCP pg. 267)

People and Litanist

Most holy and merciful Father:
We confess to thee and to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints
in heaven and on earth,
that we have sinned by our own fault
in thought, word, and deed;
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

The Litanist continues

We have not loved thee with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

All: Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

We have been deaf to thy call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved thy Holy Spirit.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

We confess to thee, O Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives, We confess to thee, O Lord.

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people, We confess to thee, O Lord.

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

We confess to thee, O Lord.

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work, We confess to thee, O Lord.

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us.

We confess to thee, O Lord.

Accept our repentance, O Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty, Accept our repentance, O Lord.

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us, Accept our repentance, O Lord.

For our waste and pollution of thy creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us. Accept our repentance, O Lord.

Restore us, good Lord, and let thy anger depart from us; Favorably hear us, for thy mercy is great.

Accomplish in us the work of thy salvation. That we may show forth thy glory in the world.

By the cross and passion of thy Son our Lord, Bring us with all thy saints to the joy of his resurrection.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, hath given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE (stand)

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

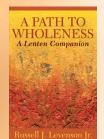
People: And with thy spirit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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New Book by The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson Jr.

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Easter Flowers

Remember a loved one by ordering lilies to decorate The Church and Bagby Parish Hall at Easter. All requests received by 5 p.m. Friday, March 5, will be included in the worship booklet available at all Easter services. Any names submitted after the deadline will be printed in worship booklets in weeks following Easter. Make your flower dedication online at bit.ly/easteraltarflowers

For more information, contact Beth Ollenburger at 713-830-4146 or bollenburger@stmartinsepiscopal.org.



THURSDAY AFTERNOON ADULT LENTEN SERIES





Thursday, Feb. 18 4–5 p.m. The Rev. Alex D. Graham III

Bagby Parish Hall and via Zoom Webinar Reservations are required for Zoom Webinar only. Register at bit.ly/LentenThursdays

Each week, one of our clergy will share their relationship with Jesus and where they've learned from surprising sources, from TV shows to movies to philosophers or writers. Come along and hear about how Jesus has worked through the unexpected!

WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT LENTEN SERIES





WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24

"Feeding on Christ"

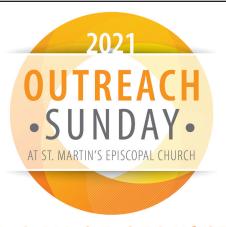
The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.
and The Rev. Dr. Suse E. McBay

5–6:30 p.m., Boxed Dinners, Bagby Parish Hall* 6:30–7:30 p.m., Program, Bagby Parish Hall and Online

Reservations are required for the in-person meal and study. Reserve your spot beginning at 9 a.m. the Wednesday prior. Boxed meals are \$10. Register and pay at bit.ly/feb24wedlenten

Food is one of life's fundamentals. Scripture has a lot to say about food, both in terms of our relationship with it, our use of it and how it reflects something of our relationship with our Lord. This Lent series will reflect on the place of physical nourishment in our lives as disciples.

*Holy Eucharist is offered in The Church at 5:30 p.m. without reservations.



A DAY OF SERVICE SUNDAY, FEB. 21

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD 10 A.M.-NOON

(Masks are required. If it rains, St. Martin's will hold only drop-off activities.)

The Church and Bagby Parish Hall

Pick up paper lunch sacks to color and decorate for Kids' Meals

East Parking Lot

Help us as we create give-away bags for Undies for Everyone and Senior Goodie bags for Senior Rides.

Student Life Center Porte Cochere

Drop off your donations of beans and rice for Christian Community Service Center, lunchtime snacks for Kids' Meals and cards of encouragement and birthday cards for World Mission Amistad and Faith in Practice.

Movie: Blind Eyes Open

Tuesday, February 23 | 11 a.m. | Hope and Healing Center Auditorium

Watch the Anti-Human Trafficking movie, Blind Eyes Open.

This movie is also available on Amazon Prime. Beginning on Thursday, Feb. 25, Parishioners will also be able to check out the movie on DVD to watch at home.

To register, visit bit.ly/outreach-eyesopen for both in-person viewing and DVD check out.

Discussion: Blind Eves Open

Wednesday, March 3 | 11:30 a.m. | Via Zoom

Those who have watched *Blind Eyes Open* are invited to discuss the movie and anti-human trafficking efforts underway in Houston and how St. Martin's is involved.

St. Martin's Episcopal Church

Blood Drive

Monday, Feb. 22 Tuesday, Feb. 23

9 a.m.-3 p.m. 717 Sage Road **Bagby Parish Hall**

FREE Covid-19 Antibody Test with Donation



Appointments are required to donate during this time. Please go online to schedule at www.giveblood.org or contact Victoria Tidwell at **Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center:** 832-602-9350 or vtidwell@giveblood.org



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We may not be able to meet in person right now, but we want to know if you are sick, hospitalized or need to speak with a member of the Clergy. Don't hesitate to call the church.

General Questions

Contact the Reception Desk at 713-621-3040.

Prayer Requests

Contact the Prayer Request Line at 713-830-4124 or Cyndy Ensign at 713-985-3808 or censign@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

After Hours Emergencies

Call 713-621-3040 and press 2 to reach the Priest on Call.

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Debbie Hutchison
with questions or for assistance:
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THE OFFERTORY

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving kindness, which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth; but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

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AT THE PRESENTATION



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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (BCP p. 333) (stand)

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

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

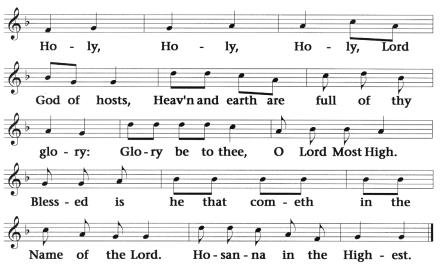
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Who dost bid thy 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 thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Celebrant and People



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The Celebrant continues (BCP p. 334) (kneel)

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

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

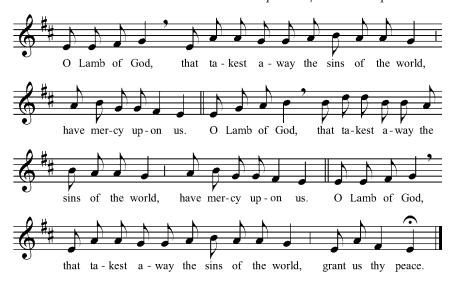
THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 336)

People and Celebrant

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP p. 337)

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Celebrant says the Invitation. (BCP p. 338)

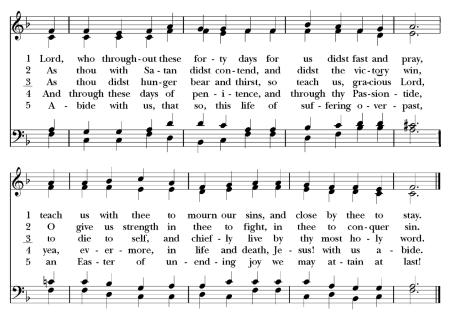
Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a glutenfree wafer. After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray. (BCP p. 339)

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

ASH WEDNESDAY BLESSING

Please be seated.

HYMN 142 (vs. 1 and 5) "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"



Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838–1898); Music: St. Flavian, melody from Day's Psalter, 1562; adapt, and harm. Richard Redhead (1820–1901).

THE DISMISSAL

A Minister says the dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

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SERMON NOTES

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Individuals are included on the *Continuing Prayers* list for numerous reasons, some of which may include recovery from illness, thanksgiving or need for support for special ministry and mission. In addition to praying for participants in cancer support groups, the Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group and The Gathering, this week please pray for the following:

Bobbie Adams	Mollie Hill	Benice Nwabueze
Michael Adams	Jeff Holden	Judy and Jay O'Connor
Harvey Altmann	Elizabeth Holderfield	Jim Paddock
Shelly Bain	Britt Huckaby	Randal Parrott
Jack Beeson	Ben Hunter	Rebecca Parsons
Alli Blackman	Debra Ibarra Mayfield	Erin Pedigo
Michele Bouchard	Wanda Jacobs	Troy Phillips
John and Dianne Brock III	Brittney Jacobson	Jimmy Prentice
Brock Burns	Shirlee Jamail	Ophelia Pujol
Jane Cabes	Joyce Janak	Caroline Rawl
Elaine Chandler	Connie Jessen	Robert Rosales
Elinor Christian	Helen Joyner	David and Clare Sackllah
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Muriel Kearby Albaral	Tracy and Jimmy Sackllah
Beth Costa	Gene Kindrachuk	Brady Samuelson
Gail Davis	Sadie Knutzen	Jim Sanitato
Mac Davis	Paige Laird	Ellie Schilling
Sue Davis	Wallis Larocque	Pam Schubert
Tommy W. Davis	Amy Lee	Robert and Sylvia Seals
Bobby deSosa	Stan Leong	Janell Sewell
Betty DeVerter	Shawn Levenson	Helen and Jim Shaffer
Chase Dixon	Nancy Liles	Clif Shoemake
Nancy Doss	Martha Ann Linden	Frances Smith
Jeff Dykes	Alex Litchfield	Pat Smith
Jim Easterling	Roberta Lloyd	Tyler Smith
Stacey Elliott	Ryan Logan	William Gilbert Smith
E.J. Farhood	Sande Lyman	Matthew Snellgrove
Matt Fryar	Charlie Malone	Bob Spencer
Lauren Furr	Jaclyn Manning	Ron Sponberg
Brad Gallion	Jeffrey Martinson	Sybil Stephens
Robbie Gay	BD McAndrew	Jim Stokes
Max Goodloe	John McMahon	Paul Stumpff
Steve and Amy Gula	Michelle McStravick	Marjorie Taishoff Craig
Gladys Halbouty	Hal Means	Paul Therrien
Tish Hale	Len Menefee	Bart Tomlinson
Melinda Hall	Mary Kay Mohrmann	Mae Joyce Wagner
Walesk Harvey	Fran Neilson	Alexander Wang
Susie Hatfield	Ann Nelson	Becky Wareing
Elizabeth Hill	Rick Noble	Charles Warren

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Mary Waters Karen Weber Derry Wilkens James Wilkerson Tim Womack

Eric Zoerb Ben Betsey Bruce Caroline Casa San Martin, Bolivia Marilyn

Curt Elizabeth Henry Jane

John and Lisa Karen Kathleen Kathryn Laura Luke

Mark Matthew Millie

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Oran Patsy RC Sally Thomas Wang family

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