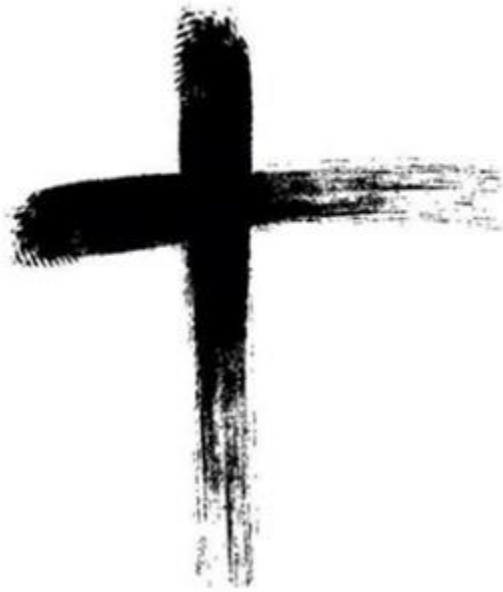




Saint Matthew's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Holy Eucharist - Rite II
The Second Sunday in Lent
March 5, 2023
10:00 am

Welcome to St. Matthew's! We are glad you are here.

The People are invited to read the words in **bold**. If you're joining us from home, please stand, kneel, sing, and pray with us as you're able. No matter where you are, joining in this worship service is a form of prayer that connects you to God and to each other. Whenever two or three are gathered, even virtually, Scripture reminds us that Jesus is present among us.

Children are most welcome and are encouraged to participate in worship.

To the parents of children: Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Sit toward the front so your little ones can see and hear. Go ahead and quietly answer their questions. If you don't know the answer, the priest would love to talk to your little one. When you sing the hymns and join in the prayers, you teach little hearts how to be faithful; you are their best model. If you need to leave the service, that's okay. Don't be shy about coming back. It was Jesus who said, "Let the little children come to me."

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, there is a place for you at St. Matt's.

*Children in Pre-K – 7th Grade proceed to their classrooms
for Church School at the beginning of the first verse.*

+ THE WORD OF GOD +

Prelude

Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

Aria and 6 Variations in G minor, P 196

The hymns can be found in the blue hymnals. Please stand as you are able.

Processional Hymn 401

LEONI

“The God of Abraham praise”

A Penitential Order: Rite Two

Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People

God's mercy endures forever.

The Decalogue

The Celebrant and people kneel as they are able, the Celebrant begins

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Silence may be kept.

God of all mercy,

**we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve on your will. Amen.**

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand.

Kyrie eleison S 91

Sung by all

setting by Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let us pray. O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The congregation may be seated.

First Reading

Genesis 12:1-4a

The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121

sung by the Choir

Antiphon: My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?

² My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

³ He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

⁴ Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

⁵ The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

⁶ So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.

⁸The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

Antiphon: My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

Second Reading

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 668

BURFORD

“I to the hills will lift mine eyes”

The Holy Gospel

John 3:1-17

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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

The Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People

The People respond with the words in bold.

Intercessor Behold, children of God, it is the Lord who watches over you. As people sent forth into the world let us pray, saying, “Lord, bless us, *so that we may bless others.*”

Intercessor Lord, preserve your Church from all evil. May we, who have been born of water and the Spirit, proclaim the kingdom of God in all the world. *(The people are invited to offer their own intercessions).* Lord, bless us,

People **So that we may bless others.**

Intercessor O God, may the leaders of the nations ever seek the truth. Open their hearts to true conversion and divine guidance.

Lord, bless us,

People **So that we may bless others.**

Intercessor Maker of heaven and earth, you have blessed us with a wondrous and dynamic creation. Protect us from its rage; comfort us by its tranquility. Give us eyes to see your handiwork in the world around us.

Lord, bless us,

People **So that we may bless others.**

Intercessor Lord, your eyes never close on your people. We thank you for your mindfulness of us and our community. Be our help and our safety.

Lord, bless us,

People **So that we may bless others.**

Intercessor You did not send your Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world may see and experience your salvation. Bring wholeness to those who look to your Son for their help. We pray especially for, Mike, Susan, Jack, John, Chuck, Joan, Joy, Peter, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Kathy, Dick, Joanne, Brooks, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Donnie, Aaron, Dann, and for all those we now name [_____].
Lord, bless us,

People **So that we may bless others.**

Intercessor O God, who give life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist, keep the dying and the dead from this time forth and for evermore. Give eternal life to all those who trust in you, especially The Rev. Barbara West. (*The people are invited to offer their own intercessions*).
Lord, bless us,

People **So that we may bless others.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
The People may add their own intercessions either silently or aloud.
Silence may be kept.

The Celebrant says the following prayer

Jesus our brother, You revealed God through your wise words and loving deeds, and we encounter you still today in the faces of those whom society has pushed to the margins. Guide us, through the love you revealed, to establish the justice you proclaimed, that all peoples might dwell in harmony and peace, united by that one love that binds us to each other, and to you. **Amen.**

— *Catholic Charities USA*

Celebrant

Strong and faithful God, hear us as we cry to you. Stretch out your hand to save us, that we may praise you for your mercy. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

+ THE HOLY COMMUNION +

After the Celebrant says an Offertory sentence, the congregation may be seated.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

God so loved the world

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,
That whoso believeth in Him should not perish,
But have everlasting life.

- John 3:16

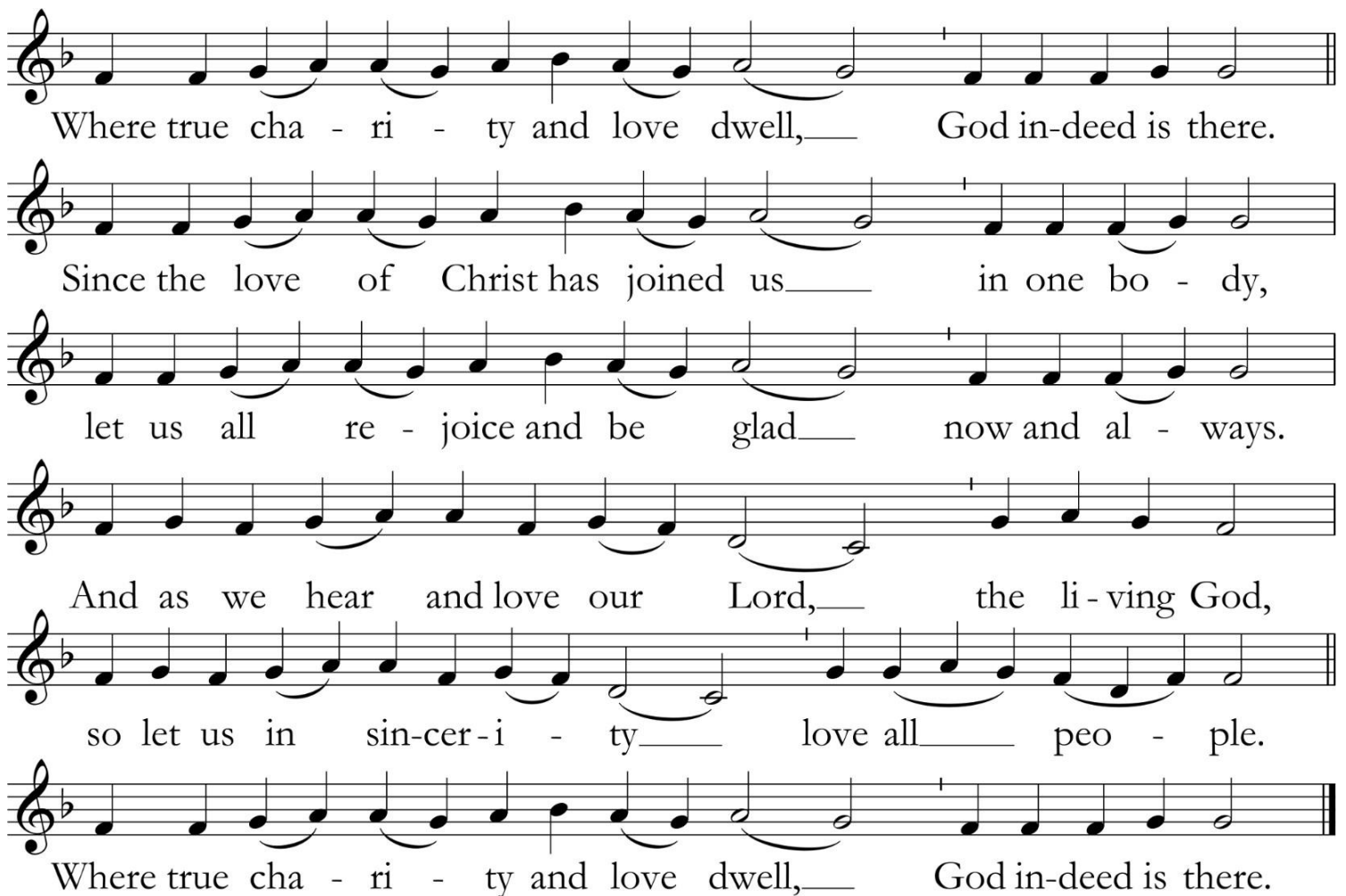


Whether you've joined us today from near or far, in person or online, please consider making a gift of thanksgiving to support the work of God at St. Matthew's. Be part of God's mission with us as we make our way out of the COVID season and into the new life God promises. Visit www.stmatthewswilton.org/offering. Designate it as a gift or as part of your pledge. No gift is too small. All gifts honor the God who honors us with life, breath, love, and salvation.

Please stand and sing:

Hymn at the Presentation

UBI CARITAS



Where true cha - ri - ty and love dwell, — God in-deed is there.

Since the love of Christ has joined us — in one bo - dy,

let us all re - joice and be glad — now and al - ways.

And as we hear and love our Lord, — the li - ving God,

so let us in sin-cer-i - ty — love all — peo - ple.

Where true cha - ri - ty and love dwell, — God in-deed is there.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. 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, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus S 114

Sung by all

setting by Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people remain standing or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [____and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

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.

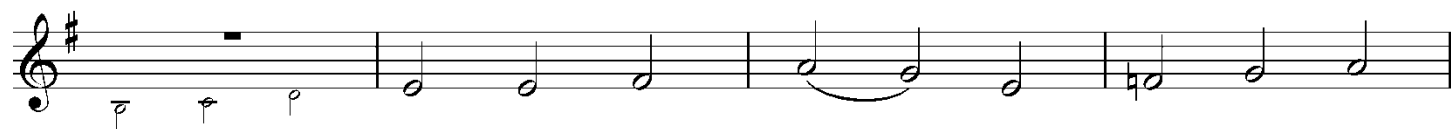
The Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

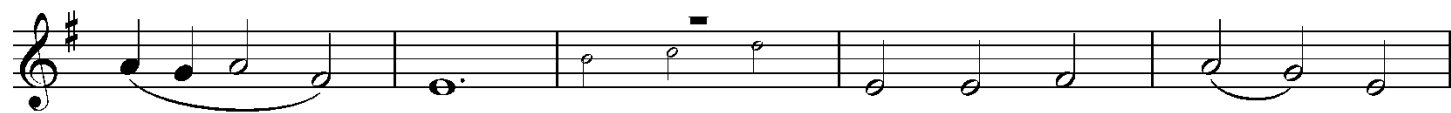
Fraction Anthem S 158 *Sung by all* *setting by Healey Willan (1880-1968)*



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -



way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -



on us. O Lamb of God, that



ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have



mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of



God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



world, grant us thy peace.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to come forward, as directed by ushers, to receive communion or a blessing. The Ushers will help you move toward the center in single file, socially distanced, lines. When you reach the center of the space, please open your hands and lay them flat to receive the bread or cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Let the Priest know if you need a gluten free wafer by first extending your palms down. If you have received the bread, please return to your pew with the bread in your hand; then you may slip the bread into your mouth under your mask. If you would like to have communion brought to your pew, please let an usher know.

Communion Anthem

sung by the Choir

UNDE ET MEMORES

And now, O Father, mindful of the love

And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
and having with us him that pleads above,
we here present, we here spread forth to thee,
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Look Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
for lo! between our sins and their reward,
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast!
O do thine utmost for their soul's true weal!
From tainting mischief keep them pure and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

And so we come; O draw us to thy feet,
most patient Savior, who canst love us still!
And by this food, so awesome and so sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill:
in thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us nevermore to part from thee.

Please kneel or sit to sing.

Communion Hymn 440

LIEBSTER JESU

“Blessed Jesus, at thy word”

If you are joining us from home or have not received communion, you may offer this prayer to the Lord.

The Act of Reception

Saint Augustine’s Prayer Book (2nd ed)

The Celebrant and the People say together

In union, Blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Postcommunion Prayer

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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.**

Parish Announcements

Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people saying

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 143

ERHALT UNS, HERR

“The glory of these forty days”

After the Celebrant offers the dismissal, the People respond

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

Fugue on *Erbalt uns, Herr*

Worship Leaders

Celebrant & Preacher

The Rev. Dr. Linda Spiers

Eucharistic Minister

Bill Brautigam

Lectors

Lorena Morales Aparacio, Caroline DeAngelis

Intercessor

Pam Ely

Music Director

Andrew Leslie Cooper

Choir

St. Matthew’s Church Choir

Altar Guild

Betsy Pettit, Debbie Fuller, Kim Olson

Counters

Rob Kyle, Adair Garis

Prayer Requests

Specific prayer requests will be kept on the prayer list for six weeks. Please call or email the office if you have additions or deletions to the prayer list. You are encouraged to offer your own prayers silently or aloud as indicated in the Prayers of the People. Today and through the week, we remember all those who have been commended to our prayers. For those who are sick or in need: Mike, Susan, Jack, John, Chuck, Joan, Joy, Peter, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Kathy, Dick, Joanne, Brooks, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Donnie, Aaron, Dann. For those serving in the military, Matthew Comeau.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Monica’s, Hartford; Trinity, Hartford; St. Peter’s, Hebron; St. James’, Higganum; All ministries to, with, and for women and the Girl’s Friendly Society.

St. Matthew's Spirited Sisters – Wednesday, March 8th at 7:30pm



Saint Matthew's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SPIRITED SISTERS

2nd Wednesday of each month

36 New Cannan Road

7:30-8:30pm



Join us for a service project for Circle of Care on **Wednesday, March 8th at 7:30pm**. We will be putting together cards to send to pediatric cancer patients and their families. St. Matt's Spirited Sisters is a community of faith for the women of St Matthew's that explores and strengthens our Christian ideals and knowledge, fostering friendship, offering prayer and support for each other, and building a deeper relationship with Christ. We meet the second Wednesday of every month to discuss topics of faith by listening to podcasts, reading articles, taking field trips, doing hands-on activities, and learning from each other. We welcome all the women of St. Matthew's and their friends. Discussion materials will be available prior to meeting but advanced prep work is not required. Contact Pam Carlson or Stacey Savas with any questions.

The Arts at St. Matthew's - Lenten harpsichord/organ recital Friday, March 31st at 7:00pm

You are warmly invited to a Lenten harpsichord/organ recital, performed by Andrew Leslie Cooper, on Friday, March 31st at 7:00pm. Hosted by The Arts at St. Matthew's, this is his first solo recital as Director of Music at St. Matthew's. Andrew will be performing on two excellent instruments: the Reuter pipe organ (2009), a gift of the Brock family, and the Herz harpsichord (1979), a gift of the Gortz family. This Devotional Lenten concert comes just before Holy Week and offers you musical accompaniment on your walk with Jesus toward the cross. The program will feature music by Bach, Smyth, Howells, La Guerre, and Pachelbel. Admission to the recital will be free, and a free-will offering will be taken at the end in support of The Arts at St. Matthew's.



Open Doors Easter Egg Hunt & Party – Donations & Supplies Needed

St. Matthew's Mission team is organizing an Easter Egg hunt and party for the families at Open Door on Saturday, April 8th. We are looking for donations of supplies and food to make this a party the kids will remember. Please use the [Sign Up Genius](#) link in the eNews to sign up and leave donations in the boxes provided in the narthex no later than Monday, April 3rd.

Any questions, please contact George Fuller.

Living Well Through Lent 2023

Lenten devotional booklets are available for all, and you'll find them close to the service bulletins in the narthex. *Living Well Through Lent 2023: Practicing Compassion with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind* offers day by day reflections by Episcopal bishops, priests, and lay folks around the Episcopal Church. A variety of voices share their perspective and inspire deeper diving into Holy Scripture, the words of poets, modern and ancient theologians, the words of hymns. Please pick up a copy and enjoy this practice of compassion as a Lenten discipline.

Adult Forum: Lenten Gospel Series 2023

On Sundays in Lent, plan to stay after church for an adult forum focused on the Gospel of the day. We'll look together at scripture, reflect on the sermon, and wonder what the Gospel is saying to us in our time. No homework, no prep necessary! Simply, come and join us on 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19 and 3/26 at 11:30am in the lounge.

Children & Youth Lenten Offerings 2023

Visit the table in the narthex for resources and a schedule of Lenten offerings for Children, Youth and Family.

Lenten Musical Meditations 2023

Each Tuesday during Lent at 9:00pm, you are invited to log in to Zoom to experience a musical meditation hosted by Andrew Leslie Cooper. The Zoom link will be shared weekly in the eNews as well as in our parishioner Facebook group.

These sessions, which will last approximately 20–30 minutes each, are a way to reflect on the Lent season and deepen your walk with Jesus toward the cross. Andrew will share with you organ music, as well as the Psalm of the day and Collect of the day, sung to plainsong. Jesus said: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." And so, these Zoom rooms offer you a chance to worship from the comfort and quietude of your home.

If you are unable to log in, you will find the recordings shared to St. Matthew's Facebook and Instagram pages later the same week.

So, please set yourself a reminder for each Tuesday in Lent (beginning 2/28, ending 4/4) for 9:00pm, and invite your friends and family.

Weekly Calendar – March 5 – March 12

Sunday, **March 5**

10:00am

10:15am

11:15am

11:30am

11:30am

The Second Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist – Rite 2 (In person & Livestream)

Church School

Coffee Hour

Lenten Adult Forum: Gospel Journey

Middle School Youth Group – Smile Bag delivery

Monday, **March 6**

7:00pm

Education for Ministry

Tuesday, **March 7**

11:00am

Staff Meeting

9:00pm

Lenten Musical Meditation (Zoom)

Wednesday, **March 8**

6:00pm

Witness Stones Project meeting

7:30pm

St. Matthew's Spirited Sisters group meeting

Thursday, **March 9**

7:30-9:00pm

St. Matthew's Church Choir rehearsal

Sunday, **March 12**

10:00am

The Third Sunday in Lent

Festival of Children – Joint service at WPC sanctuary

11:15am

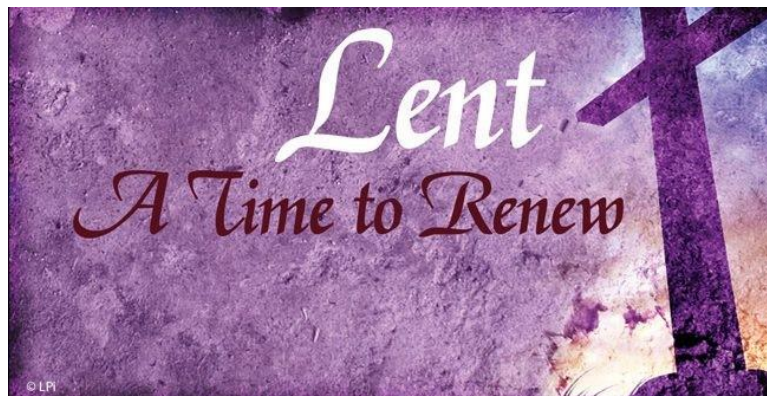
Joint Coffee Hour

11:30am

Lenten Adult Forum: Gospel Journey

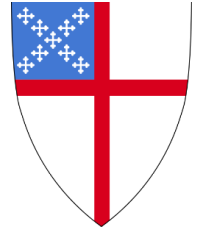
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Joint High School Youth Group



Worship Schedule at St. Matthew's

Holy Eucharist on Sundays at 10am



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