

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Fifth Sunday in Lent March 29, 2020 9:00 a.m.

Officiant The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell, Rector

Preacher The Rev. Katie Wright, Associate Rector

Music Dr. David Stevens, Director of Music

Mark Wischkaemper, Director of Music, Bethell Hall Eric Mellenbruch, Assoc. Director of Music + organist As things shift quickly in response to the Coronavirus, we must adapt quickly as well. In order to help slow the spread of the virus, and protect the most vulnerable among us, we are making significant changes immediately. We are asking people to worship at home, and we are providing two services to facilitate your worship – Liturgy of the Word at 9A, and Compline at 8P, with formation for children, youth, and adults offered after the morning service. Please visit www.stdave.org for the latest information, as we all navigate this new experience.

The clergy and staff appreciate your prayers and concern for us. We are grateful the stay-at-home orders allow us to provide online worship services, while maintaining safe distances.

We pledge to keep everyone informed about our practices as time goes on. You can <u>follow our Facebook page</u>, <u>update your contact information</u>, or <u>visit stdave.org</u> to receive updates.

Prayer for the sick:

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. (Book of Common prayer, p. 260)

Prayer for doctors and nurses:

Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Book of Common Prayer, p. 460)



FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

PRELUDE: Prelude on 'From deepest woe I cry to thee'

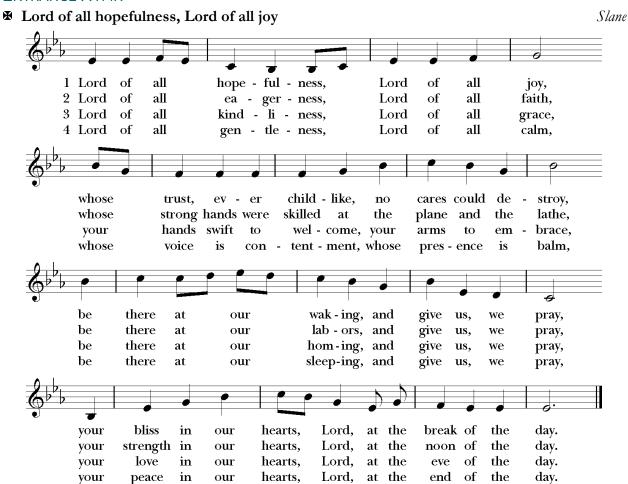
J.S. Bach

Based on Hymn 151, Stanza 1, a paraphrase of Psalm 130

From deepest woe I cry to thee; Lord, hear me, I implore thee! Bend down thy gracious ear to me; I lay my sins before thee. If thou rememberest every sin, if nought but just reward we win, could we abide thy presence?

WELCOME

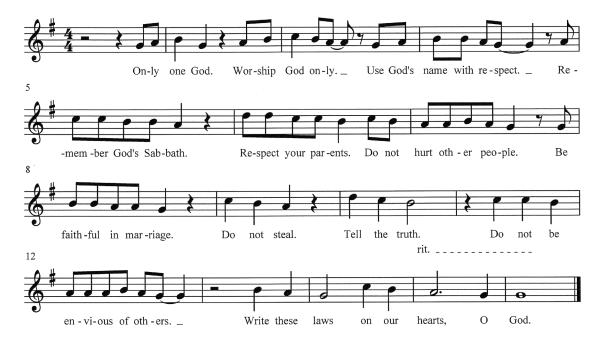
ENTRANCE HYMN



THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Blessed be the God of our salvation:

₩ Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.



Celebrant

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*

CONFESSION OF SIN BCP, p. 352

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

₩ Most merciful God,

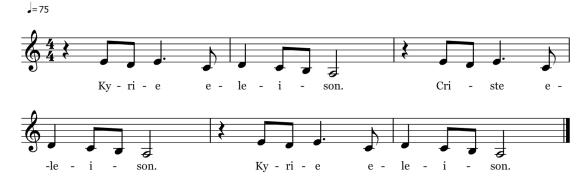
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

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.

ABSOLUTION

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.



God be with you.

▲ And also with you.

Let us pray.

COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

BCP, p. 219

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT: Ezekiel 37:1-14

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

▼ Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE: Psalm 130 (Please read responsively by whole verse.)

- $1\ \mathrm{Out}\ \mathrm{of}\ \mathrm{the}\ \mathrm{depths}\ \mathrm{have}\ \mathrm{I}\ \mathrm{called}\ \mathrm{to}\ \mathrm{you}, \ \mathrm{O}\ \mathrm{LORD};$
 - LORD, hear my voice; *

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

■ 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, * O Lord, who could stand?

- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; * therefore you shall be feared.
- **♣** 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; * in his word is my hope.
 - 5 My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the morning, * more than watchmen for the morning.
- **№** 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, * for with the LORD there is mercy;
 - 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, * and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT: Romans 8:6-11

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

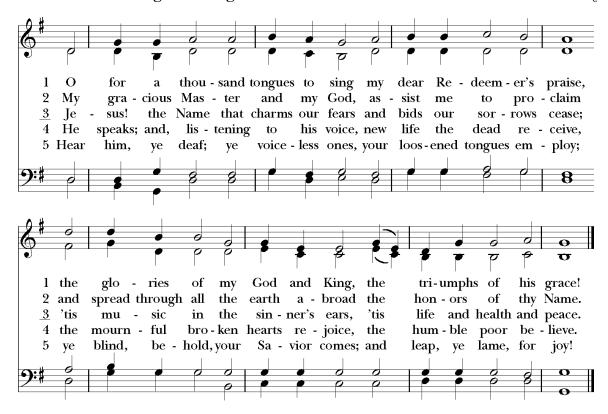
To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

▼ Thanks be to God.

■ O for a thousand tongues to sing



6 Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

GOSPEL: John 11:[1-17],18-45

A Reading from the Gospel according to John.

[Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.] Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Word of the Lord.

▼ Thanks be to God.

SERMON: The Rev. Katie Wright, Associate Rector

№ 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.

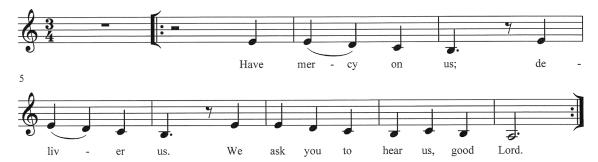
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Refrain (Please sing the Refrain after the Cantor and at appointed times.)



The Celebrant offers the following bidding.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The Intercessor continues

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence*.

Guide the people of this land, especially Donald our President, Greg our Governor, and Steve our Mayor, and leaders of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence*.

Refrain

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence*.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*.

Give guidance and strength to Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, and Hector, our Bishops; Alinafe, Bishop of Southern Malawi; and all bishops and other ministers. *Silence*.

Refrain

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those for whom prayers have been requested, including those on our prayer list and ______*; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence*.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Robert, Anita, Gene, and Reba, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*.

Refrain

Celebrant

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord ♣ Amen.

OFFERTORY

ANTHEM: When Jesus wept, the falling tear

William Billings

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound; when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

★ Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

POSTLUDE: Prelude on 'From deepest woe I cry to thee'

F.W. Zachow

Based on Hymn 151, Stanza 3, a paraphrase of Psalm 130

And thus my hope is in the Lord,
and not in my own merit;
I rest upon his faithful word
to them of contrite spirit.
That he is merciful and just,
here is my comfort and my trust;

his help I wait with patience.

A Prayer for a Person Unable to Take the Eucharist

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Written by St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787

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