

Fifth Sunday in Lent

“Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of My burial. For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have Me.”

John 12:7-8



Sunday, April 6th, 2025

10:30 Service of Holy Eucharist

“Glorifying God as Agents of His Reconciliation”

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, let's pray together the Collect for Purity:

**Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sentence: All I care for is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection. *See Philippians 3.10*

**Hymns are from "The Celebration Hymnal" in the pews.
Please stand.**

Jesus Let Me Follow You

Jesus let me follow you through the vale of tears and pain
In the desert of temptation share your victory over sin.
In your footsteps let me follow you, your true child of mercy
be
Evermore and evermore.

Christ, to know your wholeness, I drink your cup of Suffering
Even as you dwelt among us strength through weakness to
bring
Oh to love you more truly, it is in your grace I live
Evermore and evermore.

Lord, teach me to choose surrender trusting in your will
alone
Give your servant perfect patience by privation healed, made
whole
That I may know you more fully, transformed by your
boundless love
Evermore and evermore.

As you did, help us to finish the course you've set us to run
Find in you our ev'ry comfort our salvation, eternal home.
In your name give us the Victory conquering through faith
alone.
Evermore and evermore.

WELCOME

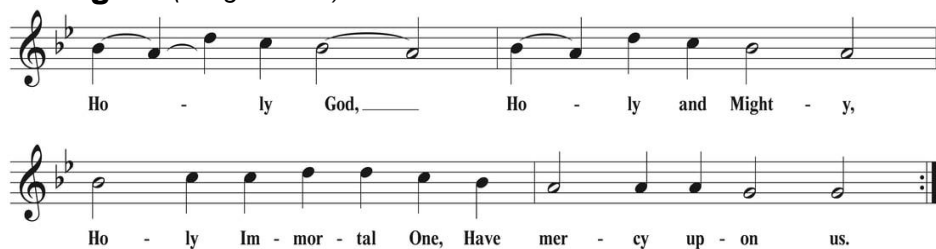
THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

GREETING

Rev. Oz: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Trisagion *(sung 3 times)*



Holy God, Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One, Have Mercy Upon Us.

To God Be The Glory

To God be the glory, great things He hath done,
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life our redemption to win,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice;
Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory; great things He hath done.**

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see.
William Howard Doanne

Please be seated.

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Most merciful God,
by the death and resurrection
of your Son Jesus Christ,
you created humanity anew.
May the power of his victorious cross
transform those who turn in faith
to him who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading – Isaiah 43:16-21

Reader: A reading from Isaiah

¹⁶ This is what the Lord says,

He who makes a way through the sea

And a path through the mighty waters,

¹⁷ Who brings out the chariot and the horse,

The army and the mighty man

(They will lie down together *and* not rise again;

They have been extinguished, *and* have gone out like a wick):

¹⁸ “Do not call to mind the former things,

Or consider things of the past.

¹⁹ Behold, I am going to do something new,

Now it will spring up;

Will you not be aware of it?

I will even make a roadway in the wilderness,

Rivers in the desert.

²⁰ The animals of the field will glorify Me,

The jackals and the ostriches,

Because I have given waters in the wilderness

And rivers in the desert,

To give drink to My chosen people.

²¹ The people whom I formed for Myself

Will declare My praise.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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.

Second Reading – Philippians 3:2-15a

Reader: A reading from Philippians

² Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of the false circumcision; ³ for we are the *true* circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and take pride in Christ Jesus, and put no confidence in the flesh, ⁴ although I myself *could boast* as having confidence even in the flesh. If anyone else thinks he is confident in the flesh, I *have more reason*: ⁵ circumcised the eighth day, of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the Law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless...⁷ But whatever things were gain to me, these things I have counted as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them *mere* rubbish, so that I may gain Christ, ⁹ and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which *comes* from God on the basis of faith, ¹⁰ that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; ¹¹ if somehow I may attain to the resurrection from the dead...¹² Not that I have already grasped *it all* or have already become perfect, but I press on if I may also take hold of that for which I was even taken hold of by Christ Jesus. ¹³ Brothers *and sisters*, I do

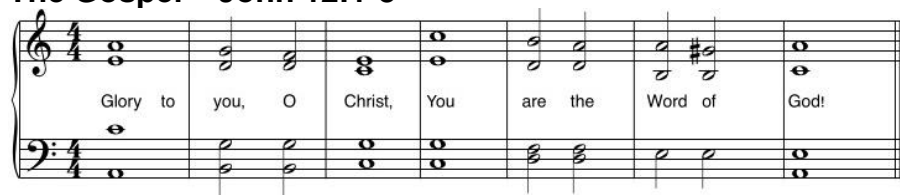
not regard myself as having taken hold of *it yet*; but one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ Therefore, all who are mature, let's have this attitude.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Gospel – John 12:1-8



Glory to you, O Christ. You are the Word of God! (*sung 3 times*)

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

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

Therefore, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. ² So they made Him a dinner there, and Martha was serving; and Lazarus was one of those reclining *at the table* with Him. ³ Mary then took a pound of very expensive perfume of pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of His disciples, the one who intended to betray Him, *said, ⁵ "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and *the proceeds* given to poor *people*?" ⁶ Now he said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he kept the money box, he used to steal from what was put into it. ⁷ Therefore Jesus said, "Leave her alone, so that she may

keep it for the day of My burial. ⁸ For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have Me.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory to you, O Christ. You are the Word of God! *(sung 3 times)*

Please be seated.

THE SERMON – The Reverend Oz Lorentzen

After the sermon, silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: 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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped 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.

Please kneel or sit to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Invitation to Confession

Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Rev. Oz: Most merciful God,

All: 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 neighbours 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.**

Rev. Oz: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE PEACE

Rev. Oz: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory

Spirit of The Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.
Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.
Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me.
Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.
Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.
Shield me, free me, call me, lead me.
Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all.
Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!
Daniel Iverson/Lowell Alexander/Michael Baughen

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: Eternal God,
your only Son suffered death upon the cross
to bring the world salvation.
Accept the praise and thanksgiving
we offer you this day,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
All: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Oz: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Rev. Oz: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Rev. Oz: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. Oz: Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth,
because you bid your faithful people
to cleanse their hearts
and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast;
that reborn through the waters of baptism
and renewed in the eucharistic mystery,
we may be more fervent in prayer
and more generous in the works of love.
Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise

to proclaim the glory of your name.

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord!

**God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory
Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is he who comes
In the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest!**

Rev. Oz: We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
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, Father, according to his command,
**All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Rev. Oz: and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light

where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*sung*)

Rev. Oz: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People: 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Rev. Oz: We break this bread,

People: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Rev. Oz: Let your church be the wheat which bears
its fruit in dying.

**People: If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

THE COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

If you would like prayer during this time, the Prayer Ministry is available by the font.

In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. You may receive communion at either the front or at the rear of the church, when available. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus' gift after you have received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.

Bas Ouwehand

Please stand.

Our God Reigns

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of Him

Who brings good news, good news;

Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness:

Our God reigns, our God reigns!

Our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns,

Our God reigns, our God reigns!

He had no stately form, He had no majesty;
That we should be drawn to Him.
He was despised and we took no account of Him;
Yet now He reigns with the Most High! **(Chorus)**

It was our sin and guilt that bruised and wounded Him,
It was our sin that brought him down.
When we like sheep had gone astray, our Shepherd came
And on His shoulders bore our shame! **(Chorus)**

Meek as a lamb that's led out to the slaughterhouse;
Still as a sheep before its shearer,
His life ran down upon the ground like pouring rain
That we might be born again! **(Chorus)**

Out of the tomb he came with grace and majesty,
He is alive, He is alive!
God loves us so; see here His hands, His feet, His side:
Yes, we know He is alive! **(Chorus)**

Leonard E. Smith Jr.

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Merciful God,
you have called us to your table
and fed us with the bread of life.
Draw us and all people to your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Rev. Oz: Glory to God,

**People: whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Trees Of The Field

You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace,
The mountains and the hills
Will break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy,
And all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands!

And all the trees of the field
Will clap their hands!!
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands!!
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands,
While you go out with joy!
Steffi Geiser Rubin | Stuart Dauermann

DISMISSAL

Leader: God made Christ sin on our behalf,
so that we might become the righteousness
of God in Him.

People: Thanks Be to God!

Prayers of the People – April 6th, 2025

James wrote, “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16b)
This week we pray especially for:

OUR CHURCH

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of
the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert’s Land &
Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

The Most Reverend Anne Germond, Acting Primate of The
Anglican Church of Canada

The Right Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of our
Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer

5th Sunday of Lent Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

In the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

St. George, Calgary

The Rev. Dr. Chris Nojonen

The Refugee Committee

In our Sister Diocese of the Windward Islands

**Cathedral Church of St. George (Parish of St. George &
St. Andrew) with Transfiguration, The Ascension and
Holy Redeemer**

The Very Rev. Samuel Nichols

Diocesan Officers: *Chancellor Stanley John, Grenville
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In the Anglican Church of Canada

The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Metropolitan, and the people
and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

The congregations of the Eastern area of the Manitoba-
Northwestern Ontario Synod

The Moravian Church in Canada

The Rt. Rev. J. Christian Giesler, Bishop of the Unity
residing in the Northern Province

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III, Prime Minister Designate Mark Carney,
Premier Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark
Glen Motz MP of Medicine Hat-Cardston-Warner

OUR WORLD

Kelly and Peter with Overseas Missionary Fellowship
Persecuted Christians everywhere

OUR CITY CHURCHES

All Saints Anglican Church

Guy Snell & Gloria Schirok

OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen
and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec

Reverend John Willems – Blenda & their family.

Rick & Carol Kipta; Barb & Brian Klein; Karen Lahay; & their families.

Music Ministry Team

Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia and Jerusha in Ghana

The GriefShare Program

The Saturday Meal Program

The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Shirley; Kaylyn; Tamara; Jimmy; Maggie; Shannon; Connie;
Chad & family; Grace M; Scott; Celeste; John C; Mike;
Sherry; Deanna; Betty Ann; Kevin; Wade; Harvey; Arleen;
Becca; Chase; Alicia and their families

If you or anyone you know would like prayer, call the Office
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Our Mission is Glorifying God as
Agents of His Reconciliation.

"God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself –
and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation."
2 Corinthians 5:19

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We give thanks for the service of these people this morning:

Celebrant

Reverend Oz Lorentzen

Co-Celebrant

Reverend John Willems

Prayers of the People

Shirley Greenfield

Music

Blenda Willems

Reader(s)

Val Browne & Bonnie Hole

Greeters

Lynne & Niel Windjack

Bread/Wine Presenters

Bonnie & Hugh McDonald

Prayer Team

Jan & Jill

Sound Board

Alan Deans

Lock-up

Hugh McDonald

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Marshall

Altar Guild

Kelly & Barb