



HOLY TRINITY
A N G L I C A N C H U R C H

Proclaim. Exalt. Serve.

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2020

Holy Communion

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

WELCOME & PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we find ourselves in unexpected and troubling times but we take comfort in knowing that you see everything and will forever reign as LORD of all. Help us to fix our eyes on you and proclaim your glory to the world around us. Give us the heart of our Savior, Jesus Christ and move us to look outward rather than inward – to serve others rather than ourselves. Let us not forget your eternal love and faithfulness to us, your beloved children, for as the psalmist proclaims, “you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy. My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.” **Amen** (*Psalm 63:7b-8*)

A PENITENTIAL ORDER OF WORSHIP

Officiant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People **His mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

Officiant 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.” *Mark 12: 29-31*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1: 8,9*

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*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

CONFESSION (*said by all, kneeling*)

**Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:**

We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, have mercy (sung by all, kneeling)

Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.

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.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.
Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that
believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

THE LESSONS *(please sit)*

Old Testament: Genesis 15:1-6

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Red Bible page 10

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament: Romans 15:1-13

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN

He will hold me fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast

CHORUS: *He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost, His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast **CHORUS**

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight when He comes at last **CHORUS 2X**

THE GOSPEL

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

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

Matthew 8:5-17

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. John W. Yates III

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(All are invited to sit or kneel)*

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for Foley, our Archbishop; Stephen our Bishop; our Clergy; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Thank you for the hope of eternal rest;

People: Let the light of your truth shine before us.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Lord Jesus, we pray for all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially Lydia Aldridge; Kathie Baggott on the death of her brother; Richard Barefoot; Diana Barnhart; Judah Best; Linda Blount; June Brown; Barbara Cooley; Bill Dixon; Mabel Geoghegan; Thomas Golson; Susan Steele Grady; Ira Hardy;

Sterling Kane; William Kane; Randy Madry; Holland McPeake; Dody Ragsdale; Chloe Renken; Gabrielle Rowe; Wendy Shull; Judson Thompson; Mildred Whitmire; Emmy Woodall.

We praise you Lord, for the birth of Halle Marie Burr to Caleb and Paige on Thursday, March 19th!

And we lift up in prayer all those expecting the birth of a child, especially, Emily and Patrick Rowe; Lorin and Sam Sholander; Rachel and Jonathan Yonan. Grant comfort and peace to all who desire to conceive, or adopt, and in your time, we pray, give them the joy of children.

For our loved ones in the military, especially Chase Duncan, Jefferson Griffin and Gabriel Rodriguez — keep them safe, enfold them with your protection and fill them with courage each day.

Please add your own petitions or thanksgivings silently.

The Collect of the Day: Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray, *(Prayed by all)*

**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.**

CLOSING HYMN

Ten thousand reasons

CHORUS: *Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, its time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. **CHORUS**

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger, your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find! **CHORUS**

And on that day when my strength is failing, The end draws near and my time has
come, Still my soul will sing your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore! **CHORUS**

THE BLESSING

Officiant: May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace. May the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**
