



# Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2025 • 10:30 am

+ Holy Eucharist



## *Welcome*

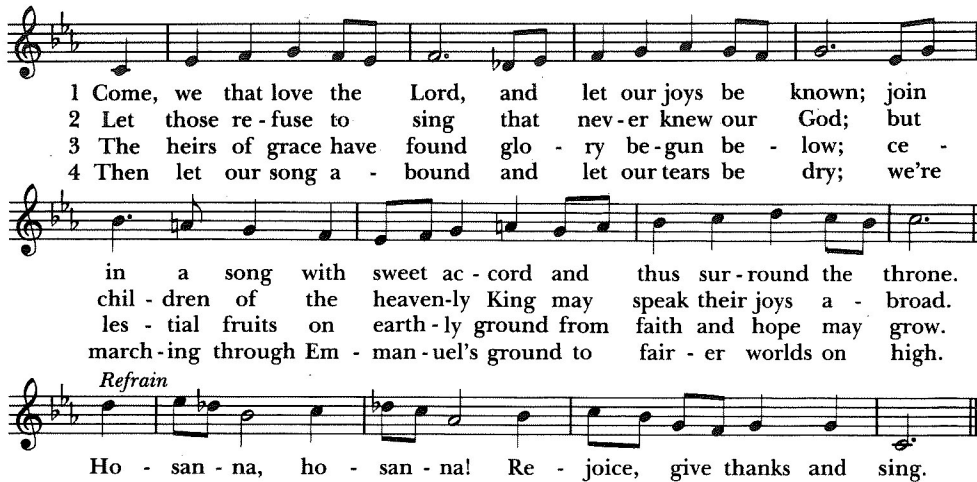
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✙ *Lent is a season of repentance and renewal during which we prepare to celebrate the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. The church itself reflects the austerity of the season by the removal of ornate fixtures, appointments, and vessels. Some find kneeling where indicated in the service bulletin, or bowing if unable to kneel, to be a helpful spiritual practice during this penitential season. However one chooses to observe the season, the desired end is to draw nearer to Jesus as we worship together.*

## Prelude

- at the sound of the bells, all stand

## Hymn 392 *Come, we that love the Lord*



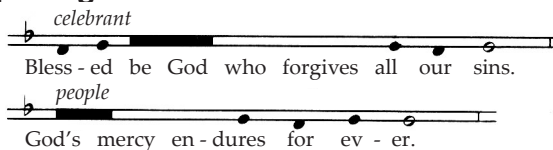
1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; join  
2 Let those re-fuse to sing that nev-er knew our God; but  
3 The heirs of grace have found glo-ry be-gun be-low; ce-  
4 Then let our song a-bound and let our tears be dry; we're  
in a song with sweet ac-cord and thus sur-round the throne.  
chil-dren of the heav-en-ly King may speak their joys a-broad.  
les-tial fruits on earth-ly ground from faith and hope may grow.  
march-ing through Em-man-uel's ground to fair-er worlds on high.  
*Refrain*  
Ho-san-na, ho-san-na! Re-joice, give thanks and sing.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

Music: *Vineyard Haven*, Richard Wayne Dirksen (b. 1921)

SM with Refrain

## Opening Acclamation



*celebrant*  
Bless-ed be God who forgives all our sins.  
*people*  
God's mercy en-dures for ev-er.

Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

## Penitential Order BCP 351

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

- *bidden by the deacon*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

- *all kneel, said by all*

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 our Savior 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 BCP 353

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.

**BCP • Book of  
Common Prayer**

**S • Service  
music found at  
the front of the  
hymnal**

**The people's  
responses are  
indicated in  
bold type.**

**Kyrie S 96** • *all stand*

The musical score is written for four voices, arranged in two pairs. Each pair consists of a soprano/tenor staff (treble clef) and a bass staff (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and slurs.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord,

Christ have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord,

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

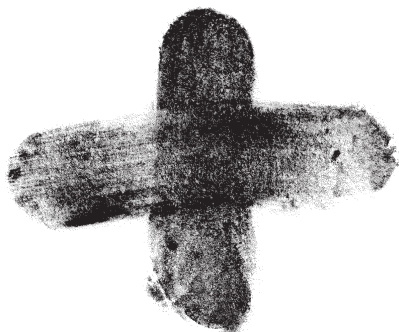
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## Collect for the Third Sunday in Lent

<i>celebrant</i>	<i>people</i>	<i>celebrant</i>
God be with you.	And also with you.	Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

A - men.
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- *all be seated*

## **First Reading**      Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with

milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

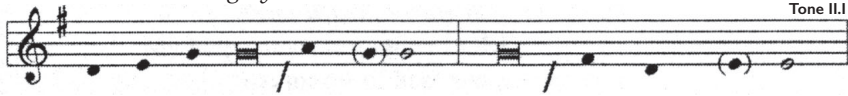
But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'"  
God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,  
and this my title for all generations."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** 63:1-8 • *sung by all*



- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I / seek you; \*  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,  
as in a barren and dry land where there is / no water.
- 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your / holy place, \*  
that I might behold your power and / your glory.
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than / life itself; \*  
my lips / shall give you praise.
- 4 So will I bless you as long as I / live \*  
and lift up my hands / in your Name.
- 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and / fatness, \*  
and my mouth praises you / with joyful lips,
- 6 When I remember you up / on my bed, \*  
and meditate on you in the / night watches.
- 7 For you have been my / helper, \*  
and under the shadow of your wings / I will rejoice.
- 8 My soul / clings to you; \*  
your right / hand holds me fast.

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual

immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

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**Thanks be to God.**



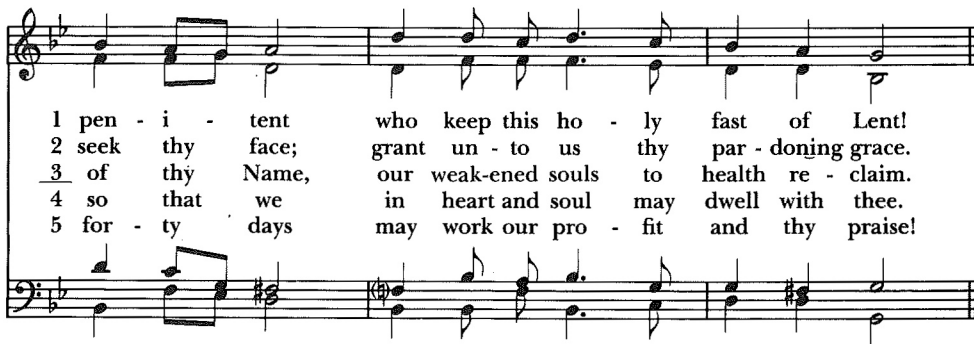
# Hymn 152 *Kind Maker of the world, O hear*



1 Kind Ma - ker of the world, O hear the fer - vent  
 2 Each heart is man - i - fest to thee; thou know - est  
 3 Spare us, O Lord, who now con - fess our sins and  
 4 Give us the dis - ci - pline that springs from ab - sti -  
 5 Grant, O thou bless - ed Trin - i - ty; grant, O un -



1 prayer, with man - ya tear poured forth by all the  
 2 our in - fir - mi - ty; now we re - pent, and  
 3 all our wick - ed - ness, and, for the glo - ry  
 4 nence in out - ward things with in - ward fast - ing,  
 5 chang - ing U - ni - ty; that this our fast of



1 pen - i - tent who keep this ho - ly fast of Lent!  
 2 seek thy face; grant un - to us thy par - doning grace.  
 3 of thy Name, our weak - ened souls to health re - claim.  
 4 so that we in heart and soul may dwell with thee.  
 5 for - ty days may work our pro - fit and thy praise!

Words: Att. Gregory the Great (540-604); ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.  
 Music: *A la venue de Noël*, melody from *Fleurs des Noël*s, 1535

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## **Gospel**     Luke 13:1-9

The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all

perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

The Gospel of our Savior.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **Sermon**     The Very Reverend Matthew Bradley

### **Nicene Creed** • *all stand*

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 • Form IV • BCP 388**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

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*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

• *silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

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*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

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*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

• *silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

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

• *silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Your own intercessions and thanksgivings are invited, either silently or aloud.

• *silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

• *the celebrant adds a concluding collect*

**The Peace** • *all greet one another in the name of the Lord*  
The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **Dean's Welcome**

# LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

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**Offertory Anthem**    *Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*    American Folk Tune  
(Southern Harmony) Arranged by Laura Lea Duckworth

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,  
Weak and wounded, Sick and sore,  
Jesus ready stands to save you,  
full of pity, love, and power.

I will arise and go to Jesus,  
He will embrace me in his arms;  
In the arms of my dear Savior,  
O there are ten-thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome,  
God's free bounty glorify,  
True belief and true repentance,  
Every grace that brings you nigh  
*refrain.*

Come ye weary, heavy laden,  
Lost and ruined by the fall;  
If you tarry till you're better,  
You will never come at all.  
*refrain.*

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## Eucharistic Prayer A • Expansive Language

*celebrant* God be with you. *people* And al - so 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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus S 124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

### **The Great Amen**



A - men.

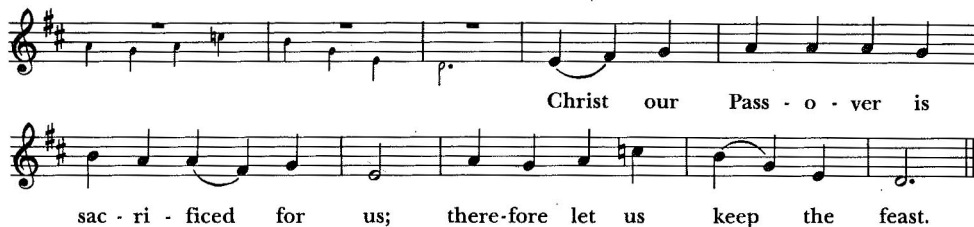
### **The Lord's Prayer • BCP 364 • contemporary version**

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

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## Fraction Anthem S 156



Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

## Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

- *any baptized person from any Christian tradition who wishes to encounter the Real Presence of the Risen Christ in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood is welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to learn more about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, please speak with a priest or deacon following the liturgy.*
- *gluten free wafers are available; as you prepare to receive bread indicate your preference to the priest*
- *if you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest*
- *for those attending virtually*

## An Act of Spiritual Communion

Jesus, my Savior, I ask you to come into my heart and fill me with your love. Although I cannot physically join with others to celebrate the Eucharist today, I desire to offer my thanksgivings and prayers in union with all who worship you, wherever they may be. And although I cannot receive you now sacramentally in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, still I desire to receive your body and blood spiritually and feed on your love, that I may be united with you and with all your people in one communion and fellowship, your mystical body the church, now and ever more. Amen.

# Hymn 309 *O Food to pilgrims given*

1 O Food to pil - grims giv - en, O Bread of life from  
 2 O stream of love past tell - ing, O pur - est foun - tain,  
 3 O Je - sus, by thee bid - den, we here a - dore thee,

hea - ven, O Man - na from on high! We  
 well - ing from out the Sa - vior's side! We  
 hid - den in forms of bread and wine. Grant

hun - ger; Lord, sup - ply us, nor thy de - lights de -  
 faint with thirst; re - vive us, of thine a - bun - dance  
 when the veil is riv - en, we may be - hold, in

ny give us, whose hearts to thee draw nigh.  
 give us, and all we need pro - vide.  
 hea - ven, thy coun - te - nance di - vine.

Words: Latin, 1661; tr. John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945), alt.

Music: *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*, present form of melody att. Heinrich Isaac (1450?-1517), alt.;  
 harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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- *all kneel*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

### **Solemn Prayer over the People**

- *the deacon says:*

Bow down before the Lord.

- *all kneel or bow*

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

# Hymn 635 *If thou be trust in God to guide thee*

*Unison or harmony*

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through  
 2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,  
 faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -  
 thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.  
 sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

Words: Georg Neumark (1621-1681); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.

Music: *Wer nur den lieben Gott*, Georg Neumark (1621-1681)

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## Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*serving today . . .*

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The Very Rev. Matthew Bradley, *celebrant*

The Rev. Dr. Eva Markham, *deacon*

Laura Lea Duckworth, *organist & choir director*

Jan Margerum, Carolyn VanZant, *lectors*

Bill Shelton, *intercessor*

Jan Margerum, Carolyn VanZant, Page Curry, John Werst, *chalice bearers*

Bill Shelton, Hunter Lumbatis, Kim McDaniel, *acolytes*

Patsy Melton, *altar guild*

Mike DaRif, Lea Ann Garbrough, Sissy Lanier, *greeters/ushers*

Louise Isaacs, *bell ringer*

Tim Tice, *live stream*



*... as for  
me and my  
household,  
we will  
serve the  
Lord*

*Joshua 24:15*

## **Christ Church Cathedral Land Acknowledgement**

Christ Church Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky gathers and stands on land which has been home, for over 11,000 years, to primarily Shawnee, Cherokee, Osage, Haudenosaunee Seneca, Hopewell and Adena peoples.

Today we acknowledge the role our Church has played in colonialism's devastating legacy of death, stolen lands, dehumanizing removals, and forced assimilation of native people.

We repent of our complicity in perpetuating the dominance of white European culture, even to the present day.

We seek forgiveness.

We honor the original peoples of this land and the presence of native people still living in Kentucky.

We honor with respect their Elders, past, present, and future, their traditions, and the land itself.

We commit to listen, learn, and walk in love.





## Christ Church Cathedral

→ *a church in the heart of the city with a heart for the city* ←

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