

# The Fourth Sunday in Lent



## Holy Eucharist

Saturday, March 18, 2023

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 19, 2023

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

TRINITY  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH





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### The Service of the Word

✠ *Worship in the form of quiet meditation begins with the prelude.*

#### PRELUDE

Trinity Bells

*Breathe On Me, Breath of God*  
*Let Us Walk Close to Thee*  
*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Robert Jackson, Anna L. Page, arr.  
Unknown, Sandra Ethun, arr.  
Lowell Mason, Ronald Kauffman, arr.

HYMN IN PROCESSION      *God, my King, thy might confessing*

**Hymn 414**  
STUTTGART

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant      Blessed be God of our salvation.  
*People      Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant*      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.

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence is kept*

*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.*

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

TRISAGION

Hymnal S 100

Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One.  
*Have mercy upon us.*

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

*People And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray:

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.*

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his

stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

PSALM 23

(chanted by choir)

The LORD is my shepherd; \*

**I shall not be in want.**

He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

**and leads me beside still waters.**

He revives my soul \*

**and guides me along right pathways for his Name’s sake.**

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

**for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*

**you have anointed my head with oil,**

**and my cup is running over.**

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*

**and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

SECOND READING

**Ephesians 5:8-14**

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!

Rise from the dead,

and Christ will shine on you.”

## THE GOSPEL

**John 9:1-41**

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and

obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Pamela Payne

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

*Intercessor* God of wholeness and light, you have called us and made us children of light, hear us as we pray for all of your creation saying, **Hear our prayer.**

For the Church: especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, that we may work the works of God while it is day, bringing your light and hope to the world, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that our Lenten observances may wake us from sleep and fill us with light to bring forth all that is good and right and true, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For all in positions of leadership, that they may have the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of those they are meant to serve, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For all who are bound by the blindness of prejudice, that God will free them from judging others and open their eyes to the value and dignity of every human person, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For all who are lonely, anxious, or afraid, and for those in need of our prayers, remembering especially Marie, Roxie, and others we now name, that their hearts and souls may be revived by the Lord who is their Shepherd; we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For all those who have died, remembering especially, those we now name, that they may dwell in the house of the Lord forever; we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

In the communion of blessed Mary, the God-bearer and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

*Celebrant* God of Light, hear our prayers and bring us to a new vision of your glory; strengthen us with the power of your healing love, and knit us together in the communion of your compassion and grace. All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ who is our life and our hope. *Amen.*



## THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** *And also with you.*

## The Service of the Table

### OFFERTORY

*My Shepherd will supply my need*

Virgil Thomson

My Shepherd will supply my need. Jehovah is his name. In pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake his ways. He leads me for his mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay. One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread. My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days. O may thy house be my abode, and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come. No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

## 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.*

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*We remember Christ's death,  
 We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
 We await Christ's coming in glory;*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen.*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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 forever. Amen.*

#### AGNUS DEI

Hymnal S 164

*Jesus, Lamb of God. Have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins. Have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world.  
Give us your peace, give us your peace.*

#### ANTHEM

*Brother James's Air*

Gordon Jacob

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want, He makes me down to lie in pastures green. He leadeth me the quiet waters by. My soul He doth restore again, and me to walk doth make within the paths of blessedness, e'en for His own Name's sake. Yea, though I pass thro' shadowed vale, yet will I fear no ill; for Thou art with me, and Thy rod and staff me comfort still. My table Thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head with oil Thou dost anoint, and my cup overflows. Goodness and mercy all my days will surely follow me; and in my Father's heart always my dwelling place shall be.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

*Loving God,  
we give you thanks  
for restoring us in your image  
and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
Now send us forth  
forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world  
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

HYMN

*I want to walk as a child of the light*

**Hymn 490**  
HOUSTON

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

*Postlude in F Major*

Alexandre Guilmant



## Service participants

March 19, 2023  
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

### 8:00 a.m.

Sheri Majczan	Altar Guild
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Pat Sisson	Usher

### 10:30 a.m.

Cindy Baser	Altar Guild
Renee Serencsits	Reader
Sue Ditterline	Intercessor
Rob Baser	Usher
Lynn Piccolo	Usher
Sara Klingner	Verger
Wayne Parr	Crucifer
Pat Sisson	Coffee Hour
Matt Golomb	Digital Media Producer

### Choral Scholars

Bailey Fulginiti, Soprano  
Christina Shoemaker, Soprano  
Stacy Gabel, Alto  
Andrew Roberts, Tenor  
Jonathan Boksan, Bass  
Mark Shoemaker, Bass

### Trinity Bells

Jeanne Deets  
Carolee Garcia  
Jose Garcia  
George Kondash  
Hattie McGee  
Sue Mangina  
Joyce Meinke  
Lynn Piccolo  
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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK  
*March 19, 2023*



**Our Partner-Parish:**

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland in Emmaus

**In the Diocese of Bethlehem:**

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, our Bishop  
St. Gabriel's, Douglassville; and Good Shepherd Learning Center

**In the Anglican Communion:**

The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

**Please pray especially for:**

- ❖ Marie Killwey (friend of the Beckers)
- ❖ Roxie Smith (friend of Ann Szmania), dealing with cancer.

**Please pray for others in need:**

Chidinma Onewni and Jacob Buckholtz, Christine Buckles, John, Pat, and David Coble, Linda Cortis, Joan Dawson, Cindy Grieshaber, Jillian Grieshaber, Laci Erker-Hough, Connie Evans, Charles Johns, Marie Killwey, Adrienne Kully, Natalie Kully, Dot MacCauley, Jody Miller, Patti Pasda, Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril, Carol and Jack Vickrey.

To have a name placed on the parish prayer list, please send an email to:

**prayerlist@trinitybeth.org - by noon on Wednesday.**

Names will remain on the list for a month.

**\*Please note:** Times for the services of Holy Week will be announced soon through *Tidings from Trinity*, and here in this Events to Remember weekly notice.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **Lectionary Discussion**

**Immediately following the 10:30 AM service**  
Pick up your refreshments and meet at the back table in the Parish Hall at 11:45 AM.

Make sure to check the weekly congregational email for other announcements, and for *Tidings from Trinity*, our church newsletter containing additional information.

All undesignated offerings received on the third weekend of each month will be given to the Rector's Discretionary fund. You may also write a check to Trinity with "Rector's discretionary account" written on the subject line. Your generous support enables the Rector to assist members of our parish family at moments of crisis and at times of unexpected need.



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**Office Hours:** Receptionist 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Appointments:** Flexible scheduling available. Please contact the Rector to schedule an appointment.

## Clergy

The Rev. Dr. Pamela Payne, Rector - [pam@trinitybeth.org](mailto:pam@trinitybeth.org)

The Rev. Canon Clifford B. Carr, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Ditterline, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Gerard R. Gaeta, Obl.S.B., Priest Associate

The Rev. Canon Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril, Priest Associate

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Rene Rodriguez, Sexton

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Robert Baser (Junior Warden)

Horace Cartwright

Ken Grieshaber

Sara Klingner (Senior Warden)

Marcie Lightwood

Michelle Mills

Lynn Piccolo

Pat Sisson