

SAINT JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

A Parish of the Anglican Church in North America

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Mr. Alan Potts, Organist/Choirmaster

THE HOLY EUCHARIST – 11:15 AM

Traditional Rite



March 20, 2022
The Third Sunday in Lent

Welcome from the Rector

Greetings on behalf of our vestry leadership and the people of St. John's.



St. John's is a community of faith formed and nurtured by its worship, love, and Christian service. St. John's Church was founded October 1924. Our current sanctuary was built in 1953.

We work hard to articulate the historic faith of Anglican Christianity and practice the liturgical customs and traditions of the historic Book of Common Prayer. St. John's is driven by a love for Jesus Christ, fidelity to Holy Scripture, to sacred Tradition where the historic faith was birthed and formed and to the continual pursuit of Truth guided by divine revelation.

We use the **Book of Common Prayer 1928** at 7:30 am Wednesday morning in the chapel (followed by breakfast at the Old Neighborhood Grill, 1617 Park Place Avenue), 6:00 pm Saturday afternoon, and 8:00 am Sunday morning. On Sunday morning 9:00 am we use the **Book of Common Prayer 2019** and at 11:15 am the **Book of Common Prayer 2019** "Traditional Rite".

Our **Mission Statement** reads: "*With God's grace, St John's Church is seeking to be a welcoming community living the Christian faith, dedicated to the work of Jesus Christ, through reverent worship of Almighty God, exercising daily prayer, providing fellowship, Christian formation, and outreach, that by faithful stewardship we will take the message of Christ into the world through our daily lives.*"

St. John's is a Parish of the Anglican Communion, the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA) and the Episcopal/Anglican Diocese of Fort Worth. Our Bishop is the Right Reverend Ryan S. Reed, SSC, D.D.

God bless you for being with us this morning.

Fr. David F. Klein, Rector

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Gathering of the People – Opening Hymn

Please talk to God before Mass and to each other afterwards. The opportunity for people to prepare properly for worship by saying their prayers before the service begins is of the greatest importance.

Prelude

“Aria de chiusa”

Muffat

Opening Hymn 522

“Glorious things of thee are spoken”

Austria

Descant

The musical score is written for three parts: Soprano, Alto/Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The score includes a descant at the beginning. The lyrics are as follows:

4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -
1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty
2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -
3 Round each ha - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and
4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -
deem - er's blood! Whom their souls re -
of our God; he whose word can - not be
ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and
fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a
deem - er's blood! Je - sus, whom their souls re -

ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

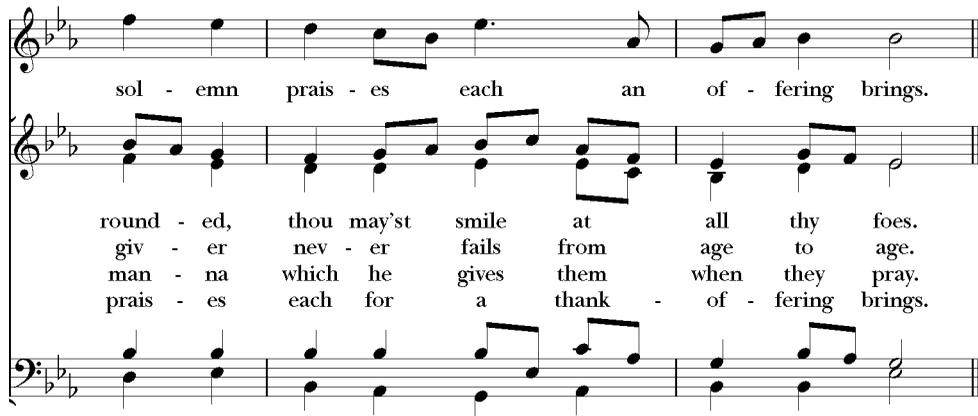
bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;
 daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.
 cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

'Tis his love his peo - ple raise o - ver

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy
 Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and
 'Tis his love his peo - ple rais - es o - ver self to

self to reign and as priests, his

sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -
 thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the
 shade by day, safe they feed up - on the
 reign as kings: and as priests, his sol - emn



sol - emn prais - es each an of - fering brings.
 round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.
 man - na which he gives them when they pray.
 prais - es each for a thank - of - fering brings.

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The Liturgy of the Word

The Procession of the Cross and ministers and clergy. The People standing. When the Opening Hymn is complete the Celebrant begins the Eucharistic Sacrifice.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins!

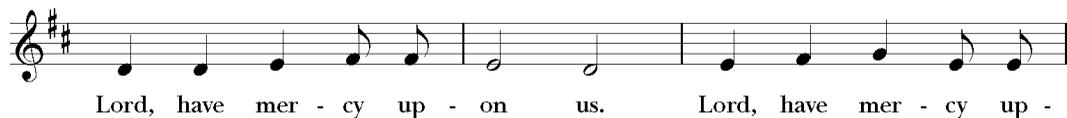
People His mercy endures forever. Amen.

The Celebrant prays the Collect of Purity.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Kyrie Eleison S-91

Healey Willan



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Celebrant says to the People.

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant offers the following prayer.

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the hearing of God's Word.

The Lessons from Holy Scripture

First Reading – Exodus 3:1-15. Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked,

and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.” When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” And he said, “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 surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of 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 place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers 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.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I am has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 103:1-12

The Psalm will be read responsively by whole verse.

1 Praise the LORD, O my soul, *
and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.

2 ***Praise the LORD, O my soul, ****
and forget not all his benefits:

3 Who forgives all your sin *

and heals all your infirmities,

4 Who saves your life from the pit *

and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness,

5 Who satisfies you with good things, *

renewing your youth like an eagle's.

6 The LORD executes righteousness and judgment *

for all those who are oppressed with wrong.

7 He showed his ways to Moses, *

his works to the children of Israel.

8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *

long-suffering and of great goodness.

9 He will not always chide us, *

neither will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *

nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *

so great is his mercy also toward those who fear him.

12 As far as the east is from the west, *

So far has he set our sins from us.

Reader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

People: *as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.*

Amen

New Testament –1 Corinthians 10:1-13

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers 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, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and 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, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 411 “O bless the Lord, my soul”

St. Thomas

The Gospel Book is processed out to the congregation.

1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!
 2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!
 3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;
 4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;
 5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;

1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!
 2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.
 3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.
 4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.
 5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,
 whose grace hath made thee whole,
 whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
 O bless the Lord, my soul!

The Reading of the Holy Gospel

All standing, the Priest reads the Gospel,

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to

St. Luke 13:1-9 There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon Please be seated.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand. The Celebrant introduces the Nicene Creed, saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;**

**by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick
and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.**

**And I believe one, holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel. The person appointed says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and for the world.

Silence

Almighty and ever-living God, who by thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to lead the nations of the world into the way of righteousness; and so to direct and dispose the hearts of all our leaders,

especially *Joseph*, our President, *Greg*, our Governor, and *Mattie*, our Mayor, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may truly and impartially administer justice, upholding integrity, and truth, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to thy servants *Foley*, our Archbishop, *Ryan*, our Bishop, *Fr. David*, our Rector, *Fr. Randall*, assistant priest, and *Fr. Bob* associate priest that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations, and strengthen us to fulfill thy great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all thou hast commanded.

We pray for our world that faces so much darkness and violence. We pray for the people suffering war conditions and the threat of war. We pray for our government and military leaders at every level to have clear minds to respond to bring peace. We pray that all people can walk the path of peace, the path of forgiveness, the path of equality.

Let us pray, during this season on Lent, for our soul to be freshly nourished by Word and Sacrament so we produce strong fruit and grow in grace as the Church in the world.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity *especially* : *Hugh, Lou, Felicia, Wanda, Jim, Diane, Glenna, Ann, Vivian, Cindy, Vic, Courtney, Katie, Marie, Terry, Ricky, Paul, Carolyn, Sherry, Joni & Chelsea, Diane, Danushka, Cole...Darnell, John & Angie, Molly, Barb, David.*

We pray for all medical professionals, first responders, and health care personnel and

workers, *especially* Dr. Kate Stevens, Dr. Chris Stevens, Dr. Will Lowe, Dr. Thomas Truelson, Dr. Mariana Yager, Becky Fry, Allysa Slaughter, Renee Lavelle, Abby Blakely, Bryan Blakely, Christy Merritt, Robyn Virden, Dr. Jeff Paetz, Grace Beaupré, Fr. Bob Bosworth, and Mallory Parkey.

For those having birthdays this week: *Julie Webber, Josephine Medina, Sara Catherine Klein*

For those having wedding anniversaries this week:

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear, *especially Vivian...* that thy will for them may be fulfilled, and we beseech thee to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the **blessed Virgin Mary, St John the Apostle** and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *AMEN*

The Confession and Absolution of sin

The Celebrant says the following

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins and are in love and charity with your neighbors and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

or

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence

The Celebrant and People kneel and pray.

**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*

The Celebrant stands and offers absolution.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Announcements. The preparation of the Altar.

Offertory

“Adoramus te, Christe”

Dubois

THE EUCHARISTIC SACRIFICE

The Liturgy of the Altar

The People standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says.

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Celebrant continues

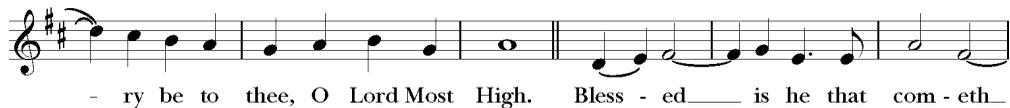
It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here the Celebrant prays the Proper Preface of the season. Then continues...

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying:

Sanctus and Benedictus S-114

Healey Willan



The Prayer of Consecration

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender

mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to

be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen**

The Celebrant then says.

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People together pray.

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.*

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. The Celebrant says.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant and People together say.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen**

Celebrant and People sing the Agnus Dei. S-158

Healey Willan

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, grant us thy peace.

Facing the People, the Celebrant says.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in this sacrament with faith and thanksgiving. Amen

or this

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

The clergy and lay servers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately administer the Blessed Sacrament to the People.

Communion Hymn 344 “Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing” Sicilian Mariners

After Communion and during the ablutions and clearing of the Altar the following hymn is sung.

1 Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and a - dor - a - tion for thy Gos - pel's
3 so that when thy love shall call us, Sa - vior, from the

joy and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound: may the fruits of thy sal - va - tion
world a - way, fear of death shall not ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace: O re - fresh us,
in our hearts and lives a - bound: ev - er faith - ful,
glad thy sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful to thy truth may we be found;
 may we ev - er reign with thee in end - less day.

Words: Att. John Fawcett (1739/40-1817) Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody; first published *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792, alt.

The Post Communion Prayer and Blessing

After Communion and the Altar is cleared, the Celebrant says.

If the service is being streamed the following prayer for Spiritual Communion is offered with faith and desire.

For Spiritual Communion for those participating online.

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. **Amen.** 2019 BCP p. 677.

The Celebrant then prays with those present.

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together pray.

Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that

we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. **Amen**

The Blessing

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives this blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**

Recessional Hymn 372 **“Praise to the living God”**

Leoni

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
 2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
 3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
 4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
 ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
 in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
 his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
 Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
 Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name



the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
 and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926)
 Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody, harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

The Dismissal of the People of God to service and prayer

The Priest dismisses the People with these words.

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Ewing”

PARISH NEWS

Weekly News for the Family and Friends of St. John's Church

Telephone: 817-927-5341. Fax: 817-927-0908.

MEMORIALS & PRAYER

MEMORIALS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF ALMIGHTY GOD...

- † **THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** – no flowers during the season of Lent.
- † **THE LADY CHAPEL FLOWERS** - no flowers during the season of Lent.
- † **THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** – given in thanksgiving for Sara's birthday by Diane and Fr. David Klein.
- † **THE DE PROFUNDIS BELL** – will ring on Mar 21 in memory of Domingo Loredo offered by Olga Fry.
- † **PRAYER LIST (3-wk cycle)** : Hugh, Lou, Felicia, Wanda, Jim, Diane, Glenna, Ann, Vivian, Cindy, Vic, Courtney, Katie, Marie, Terry, Ricky, Paul, Carolyn, Sherry, Joni & Chelsea, Diane, Danushka, Cole...Darnell, John & Angie, Molly, Barb, David
- † **THE MINISTRY OF THE FORT WORTH PREGNANCY CENTER**
- † **THE CHILDREN AND STAFF AT COOK MEDICAL CENTER**
- † **MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS:** Dr. Kate Stevens, Dr. Chris Stevens, Dr. Will Lowe, Dr. Thomas Truelson, Dr. Mariana Yager, Becky Fry, Allysa Slaughter, Renee Lavelle, Abby Blakely, Bryan Blakely, Christy Merritt, Robyn Virden, Dr. Jeff Paetz, Grace Beaupré, Fr. Bob Bosworth, Ph.D, and Mallory Parkey.
- † **FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Vivian Potts
- † **FOR THOSE TRAVELING:**
- † **BIRTHDAYS:** Julie Webber (21); Josephine Medina (24); Sara Catherine Klein (26)
- † **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

Visitors' Information

Visitor's Card

Help us get to know you! Please fill out a Visitor's Card, located at Pews and place it in the Offering Plate or hand it to one of the clergy.

Hospitality

"Coffee Hour" is after the 9:00 am mass.

Prayer Ministry

Prayer cards are in each pew for your prayer needs. To access the parish prayer chain, email the office@stjohnsfortworth.com or call 817-927-5341.

Counseling Office

Fr. Bob Bosworth, Ph.D. Pastoral Associate is on staff as a licensed Clinical Pastoral Counselor for individual, marriage, and family counseling. Hours are Tues and Fri 10am-7pm and Sat 10am-4pm. Appointment required. Call 859-475-4475 or visit: Dr-Bosworth.com

How to Join St. John's?

If you are Anglican or Episcopalian and wish to join St. John's, we will process a letter of transfer. If you are from a denomination, we will let you know when the next Inquirers Class begins. If you are not yet baptized, please see Fr. Klein.

Low-Gluten Hosts

St. John's offers low-gluten (less than 0.01%) communion wafers on request. If you are gluten intolerant, please speak with the clergy.

Parish Contact Information

St. John's Anglican Church is a Parish of the Anglican Communion, the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA) and the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth. Our Bishop is the Right Reverend Ryan S. Reed, SSC, D.D.

St. John's uses the 2019 Book of Common Prayer (ACNA) and the 1928 Book of Common Prayer.

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Closed for Lunch
12:00—1:30 PM

Worship Services and Rites

Sat Vigil: 6:00 pm Lady Chapel.
Sunday Morning: 8:00, 9:00, 11:15,
Wed Morning: 7:30 am Lady Chapel.

Our Vestry

Sr. Warden - Tom Ward 2025
Jr. Warden - Gerald Gregory 2023
Clerk - Rusty Wood 2023

Vestry Members: Jacob Belk 2023, Bob Hampton 2024, Don Lange 2024, Jason Merritt 2024, Christina Pavlovsky 2024, Clay Slaughter 2025, Kendall Smith 2025, Patrick Wells 2023, Trish Williamson 2025.

Treasurer

Bob Hampton

Delegates to Diocesan Convention

Gerald Gregory
Jason Merritt
Tom Ward

Next Vestry Meeting in Guild Parlor is Tuesday, **MAR 22** at 7:00 PM.

Current Announcements

Receiving the Precious Blood of Christ.

The Chalice has been restored to receive the Precious Blood of Christ by either intinction or directly from the chalice.

One chalice is reserved for intinction. A ***second chalice*** is for drinking from the chalice directly.

If you want to receive by intinction please keep the sacred host in your open hand and the chalice-bearer will take the host and dip a small portion of it carefully in the Precious Blood and place the host on your tongue.

If you want to receive directly from the Chalice after consuming the host the chalice-bearer will gently guide the chalice for you.

Of course, you are always invited to receive just the host alone. When at the Altar rail, after receiving the host cross your arms and the chalice-bearer will move to the next person.

HEALTHY PROTOCOLS

Please remember that you can wear a mask when at St. John's for worship and activities. Please use sanitizing stations and protocols for receiving from the chalice. Follow common sense. Stay safe! Stay healthy!

CGS Atriums open for preschool – 5th grade after the 9:00 am service. **After you receive Holy Communion, please bring your child(ren) to the atrium!**

Teen Formation open for 6th grade through high school after the 9:00 am

service. **Brianna Wilcox, Jacob Belk and Patrick Wells.** Class will meet in the Green Room.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: “**The Prophet Isaiah.**” Fr. Klein is leading a study on prophets of the Old Testament on Wed 9:30-10:30 am. Please join us!

Choir and Bell Rehearsal: Practice is on **Thursdays. 6:00 pm is bell choir and 7:00 pm is chancel choir.** Join us. **Alan Potts**

GOOD NEWS DAILY BOOKLETS

Good News Daily booklets have returned! The March edition is now available. You may pick up a copy in the narthex, the chapel entrance, or the office. It will also be featured online on the St. John's website.

ANOINTING IN CHAPEL



We offer prayer and anointing at the 9:00 am and 11:15 am services. *This is done by one of the clergy in the*

Chapel immediately after you have received Holy Communion. If you need anointing, please go into the Chapel.

DIOCESAN ALTAR GUILD MEETING

Saturday, March 26, St. Vincent's Cathedral will host the Diocesan Altar Guild Meeting. Registration begins at

9:45 AM, followed by **Holy Eucharist at 10:00 AM**, which is to be celebrated by Bishop Reed. We are blessed to have Bishop Iker as our guest speaker this year! We will finish out the day with a catered lunch at **noon** and announcements at **1:15 PM**. Registration is \$15, and forms are available in the Altar Guild Sacristy.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT In today's Gospel Jesus offers his parable about last chances. The fig tree will have one last chance to bear good fruit before it is cut down and destroyed. This is a fundamental principle of Christianity. Christians, from baptism are much like the fig tree, they are endowed with God-given gifts that are meant to "bear fruit" for God and neighbor. Baptism is a gift of God, not a rite of passage. He has legitimate expectations that we grow being nurtured by his grace. We also need to be honest. We don't know how much time we have before the divine Gardener returns for an accounting of our fruitfulness. The Third Sunday in Lent wants us to reflect on how are we using our God-given gifts? Are we good stewards? How might we improve our gifts to bear more fruit for God? The question bears some urgency.

The Season of Lent

OUTREACH IN LENT! During Lent consider making a monetary gift to the Anglican Relief and Development Fund to assist ministry in the Ukraine. ARDF has received a

\$100,000 challenge gift to match dollar for dollar the first \$100,000 received. This means your personal gift can be doubled. The process to give online to ARDF is very secure.

Beyond giving financially to these efforts, your prayers are vital. Prayer really does make a difference! Pray for the Ukrainian people and their leaders, the Russian people and their leaders, the numerous Christian leaders and missionaries in the country, and for the hundreds of thousands of refugees. Ask God to intervene. <https://ardf.org/relief-ukraine-2022>

SUNDAY ADULT FORMATION –

Dr. Jason Merritt will lead us in formation Sundays, Mar 20, 27, Apr 3 and 10 at 10:15 am. His topic is "Jesus as the New Temple". A study in John's Gospel.

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT - Mar 23, 30, and Apr. 6.

- Stations of the Cross 6:00 pm.
- Lenten Meal 6:30 pm.
- Teaching 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Fr. Foster will lead a study on C.S. Lewis' book **Out of the Silent Planet**, which is the first volume in his "Space Trilogy."

LENTEN LITURGY – Ash

Wednesday is the opening of the season of Lent. The word "lent" is an Anglo-Saxon word for "spring". It is a penitential season of great devotion and

discipline that is 40 days long. Spring is a season of renewal and new birth. Our liturgical season corresponds to this. It is time for personal spiritual inventory and reflection that should lead us to a renewal of faith and practice.

The Liturgical color is a royal purple. For Anglicans it symbolizes repentance as well as the royalty of Christ as King overall. Before Jesus was crucified, he was dressed in a purple robe and a crown of thorns was placed on his head (see Mark 15:17). The purple color reminds us that Jesus was accused of declaring himself “king of the Jews.”

Pilate had the inscription “INRI” placed at the top of the Cross. (John 19,20) It is an abbreviation from the Latin “Iēsus Nazarēnus, Rēx Iūdaeōrum, which translates “Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews”. (Latin uses “I” and “V” instead of the English “J” and “U”).

Altar flowers are omitted during Lent.

The alleluias, joyful hymns, and the Gloria in excelsis are omitted in Lent.

Anglican “Great Litany” is sung on the First Sunday in Lent.

Almsgiving - Almsgiving is donating money or goods to the poor and needy and performing acts of charity. The root of the word “alms” can be found in ancient Latin and Greek words meaning mercy and pity. Similarly, the root of the word “charity” comes from

the Latin “caritas,” meaning love. Almsgiving is expressing Christian love for others. Lent is a season helping us to step outside of ourselves and focus on others. Contributing to the Outreach Fund at St. John’s or giving money or items to Union Gospel Mission or the Fort Worth Pregnancy Center and online contributions to the Anglican Relief and Development Fund are examples of almsgiving in Lent.

The Cross of Christ is the theme of Lent urging deeper conversion, and repentance, fasting, self-denial, and prayer.

Fast & Abstinence – On Ash Wednesday the Liturgy called us to exercise the three disciplines of Lent which are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Fasting refers to the quantity of food we eat and refraining from eating between meals. Traditionally, on the day you fast you are permitted to eat one reasonable meal. You can have up to two other meals on the same day, but the total quantity of food for the two additional meals should not equal the amount at the full meals. Keep them simple.

Abstinence as a discipline in Lent refers to abstaining from meat or any soup or gravy or mix made from meat. This is usually on Fridays in Lent. Fish is a popular substitute. The Prayer Book also encourages us to extend this discipline to all Fridays of the year as a spiritual discipline.

What I have written is the traditional approach. If you have health issues and need to change this or maybe fast from something else, that to will work fine.

Reconciliation is offered any time. This is the Sacrament of holy Confession. This is a *strengthening* sacrament providing opportunity to talk through burdens and sins with a priest. Speak with Fr. Klein, Fr. Foster or Fr. Bosworth.

Stations of the Cross, a devotion that started very early in the Church in Jerusalem. Christian pilgrims would come to Jerusalem to pray and walk the “Via Dolorosa” (the Way of Sorrow) which followed the actual path and footsteps of Jesus from his trial to his death on Calvary. For us today, we walk the “Way” from Station-to-Station reflecting and praying on what our Lord did to accomplish our redemption.

STEWARDSHIP DURING LENT -

Let us look at this passage from St. Mark’s gospel. *“Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood”* (Mk 12:43-44).

Stewardship anytime of the year challenges us to give back to God with love! When Jesus praises the widow for giving *“all she had, her whole livelihood”* (Mk 12:44), he is showing her disposition, meaning her spiritual

attitude toward the whole of life. We have no information about her situation. But most likely it was very modest and maybe even living from hand to mouth. It’s likely she has known hardship, disappointment, and loneliness. No family seems to be around to help share the burden. But she is not bitter or angry. She gives openly and freely from what she has without complaining or holding back. She is generous, as God is generous, giving out of his superabundance of love.

So, what is a point of the story? We might say that the Lord is reminding his disciples (all of us) that how and what we give will impact on the way we live. If we give from whatever is left over, nothing really changes in our lifestyle or in our attitude toward the people we are helping with our charity. On the other hand, if we give from our livelihood, we must make sacrifices, and adjustments that requires a shift in our thinking and our attitude.

Jesus wants us to know *that if our heart is guided by love, we always have something to give*. So, he praises the widow’s generosity because he recognizes the depth of her love. This is her true gift to God. She is truly a generous steward because her sacrificial gifts come from a heart overflowing with love.

Service Rota

Third Sunday in Lent: Mar 20

Sun, 8:00 AM

Denise Porter - Chalice and Reader

Sun, 9:00 AM

- Acolyte

- Acolyte

- Acolyte

Cameron Crum - Chalice

Andrew Clark - Chalice

Bill Kendall – Prayers

Nelumdini Samaranayake- Reader

George Joe – Usher

Will Lowe - Usher

Sun, 10:15 AM

Coffee Hour-Hospitality: Rangi and
Nuwan Warnesuriye

Sun, 11:15 AM

Lucas Smith - Acolyte

Mallorie Merritt - Acolyte

Donnie Muennink - Chalice

Steve Sparks - Chalice

Monty Muennink – Prayers

Donnie Muennink - Reader

Marty Smith – Usher

– Usher

Vestry: Jason Merritt and Rusty

Wood

Diane McCusker – Prayers

Dishon Samaranayake- Reader

George Joe – Usher

Will Lowe - Usher

Sun, 10:15 AM

Coffee Hour-Hospitality: Renee,
Mike and Christina Pavlovsky

Sun, 11:15 AM

Annaliese Merritt - Acolyte

Mallorie Merritt - Acolyte

Jason Merritt - Chalice

Steve Sparks - Chalice

Dorian Johnson – Prayers

Jason Merritt - Reader

Bob Hampton – Usher

Tom Leaverton – Usher

Vestry: Gerald Gregory and Don
Lange

Fourth Sunday in Lent: Mar 27

Sun, 8:00 AM

Andrew Martin - Chalice and Reader

Sun, 9:00 AM

Finn Belk - Acolyte

David Leaseburg - Acolyte

- Acolyte

Clifford Bronson - Chalice

Clay Slaughter - Chalice

Lenten Outreach Opportunity – Fort Worth Pregnancy Center

The Fort Worth Pregnancy Center is currently in need of the following items:

- Diapers Size 1-6
- Nail Clippers
- Diaper Cream
- New Baby Clothes for Baby Gifts (Size Newborn 0-9 months)
- Gently used maternity and baby/toddler clothes & shoes size NB – 4T (Size 2T-4T most needed)
- Baby accessories (carriers, bouncers, swings, etc.)
- Pull Ups
- Baby Shampoo/Wash
- Gender Neutral bibs, burp cloths, socks infant mittens
- Wipes
- Baby Lotion

You may deliver your donated items directly to the Fort Worth Pregnancy Center (3221 Cleburne Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76110) or you can bring them here to St. John's, and we will deliver them for you.

