

Welcome to
SAINT MARK'S CHURCH

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT – YEAR A

LAETARE SUNDAY—REJOICE!

March 14, 2026 on Saturday at 5:00 PM

March 15, 2026 on Sunday at 9:30 AM

✙ --Appropriate place to make the "Sign of the cross"

BCP—The "Black" Book of Common Prayer

Hymnal—The "Red" Hymnal 1982

LEVAS—Music from Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal (Episcopal)

WLP—Music from Wonder, Love, and Praise Hymnal (Episcopal)

VF—Voices Found Hymnal (Episcopal)

*—A Parishioner's Favorite Hymn Pick

Please silence all cell phones

Welcome to Saint Marks Church on the Sunday of the Man Born Blind. This gospel reading has been used since early days of the church to help those preparing for baptism understand the process of enlightenment they are going through. In this story, the blind man progresses from the restoration of his physical sight to a deeper enlightenment about God until he is able to recognize Jesus as his Redeemer. The first reading takes us to the point in the history of salvation when David is chosen by God as king. As is so often the case with the outstanding heroes of the faith, God's choice is not apparent to those who evaluate by human standards. David's anointing is an image of our own baptism in which God chose us and set us apart not for our own merits but because God loves us. The second reading describes how those who have been baptized and now live in the light will carry on their lives. The final verse may be an ancient Christian baptismal hymn. We, like the man born blind, are now awake and filled with the Light from Light through our baptism. As we continue in our Lenten pilgrimage toward Easter, enlightened by God's Word and nourished by the sacraments, we find ourselves in the company of a great family of believers. Let us continue to pray for those preparing to be enlightened and anointed in baptism by the Holy Spirit at Easter.

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**You are invited to create a quiet space before church starts so that others can prepare to encounter God in the service.
We gather for fellowship and a time to catch up with each other following the service.**

Prelude

God's People Gather Together

Processional Hymn

My Shepherd will supply my need

Hymnal 664



1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me



is his Name; _____ in pas - tures fresh he
 is my stay; _____ one word of thy sup -
 all my days; _____ oh, may thy house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.____
 port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.____
 mine a - bode and all my work be praise.____



He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
 Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
 There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers



sake his ways, _____ and leads me, for his
 ta - ble spread; _____ my cup with bless - ings
 go and come; _____ no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.____
 o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.____
 or a guest, but like a child at home.____

The Penitential Order

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

The people kneel as they are able.

The Decalogue

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.
You shall have no other gods but me.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

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*

The Confession

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Minister and People

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.

The Absolution

The Priest, stands and says

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

Kyrie (at 5:00 p.m.)

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Kyrie (at 9:30 a.m.)

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

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

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

Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Together, 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 for ever. Amen.

The people sit.

The Word of God

First Reading - 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Reader A reading from the First Book of the Prophet Samuel.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me (King James Version)*

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

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

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

The Epistle – Ephesians 5:8-14

Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus.

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."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The people stand as they are able.



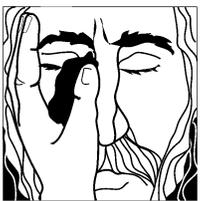
1. Heal me, hands of Je - sus, and search out all my pain: re -
 2. Cleanse me, blood of Je - sus, take bit - ter-ness a - way; let
 3. Know me, mind of Je - sus, and show me all my sin; dis -
 4. Fill me, joy of Je - sus: anx - i - e - ty shall cease and

store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.
 me for - give as one for - given and bring me peace to - day.
 pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.
 heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

The Gospel - John 9:1-41

Gospeller ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ*



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."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

✠ *May the words of my mouth and the meditations of all our hearts be always acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer. Amen.*

The people sit.

After the Sermon, the people stand as they are able.

The 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 worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the ✠ resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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, *Have mercy on us.*

For the Church: especially for Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean our Presiding Bishop, Lawrence, Geralyn, and William our bishops, and for Chris and Anne our priests, that we may do the works of God while it is day, bringing God's light and hope to the world, we pray to you, O God. *Have mercy on us.*

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. *Have mercy on us.*

For God's people caught in the midst of war: for those who have died and for the children and the vulnerable ones who often bear the greatest share of the suffering, for those serving in the militaries of all the countries touched by war, that all may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace as children of one God, we pray to you, O God. *Have mercy on us.*

For the leaders of the world, that God will guide them toward peace and an understanding that we are all children of Adam and brothers and sisters in humanity, we pray to you, O God. *Have mercy on us.*

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. *Have mercy on us.*

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. *Have mercy on us.*

For all who are lonely, anxious or afraid, for the people of the Middle East, Ukraine, Haiti, Armenia, and those here at home, for those in need of our prayers and those on our Prayer List. *(The people may add petitions for any need or concern.)* We pray that in Christ they may find rest and refreshment, we pray to you, O God. *Have mercy on us.*

For all who have died, especially Jacob Eckart and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O God. *Have mercy on us.*

For all the blessings we have received. We give thanks this week for Randy Dean, John Umina, and Beatrice Tunney who are celebrating their birthdays.

For a Birthday

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on Randy, John and Beatrice as they begin another year. Grant that they will grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lenten plants on the altar are given to the Glory of by Fr. Chris and Carol Jubinski in thanksgiving for our parish family.

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

All: 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

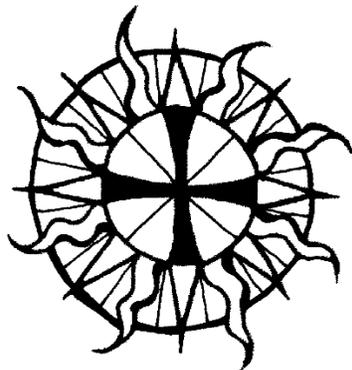
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

The people sit.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. *Matthew 5:23, 24*



Offertory Hymn

Have thine own way, Lord!

LEVAS 145

1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! _____
 2. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! _____
 3. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! _____
 4. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! _____

1. Thou art the pot - ter, I am the clay! _____
 2. Search me and try me, Mas - ter, to - day! _____
 3. Wound - ed and wea - ry, Help me, I pray! _____
 4. Hold o'er my be - ing Ab - so - lute sway! _____

1. Mold me and make me Aft - er thy will, _____
 2. Pur - er than snow, Lord, Wash me just now, _____
 3. Pow - er all pow - er Sure - ly is thine! _____
 4. Fill with thy Spir - it 'Til all shall see _____

1. While I am wait - ing, Yield - ed and still. _____
 2. As in thy pres - ence Hum - bly I bow. _____
 3. Touch me and heal me, Sav - ior di - vine! _____
 4. Christ on - ly, al - ways, Liv - ing in me! _____

The people stand as they are able.

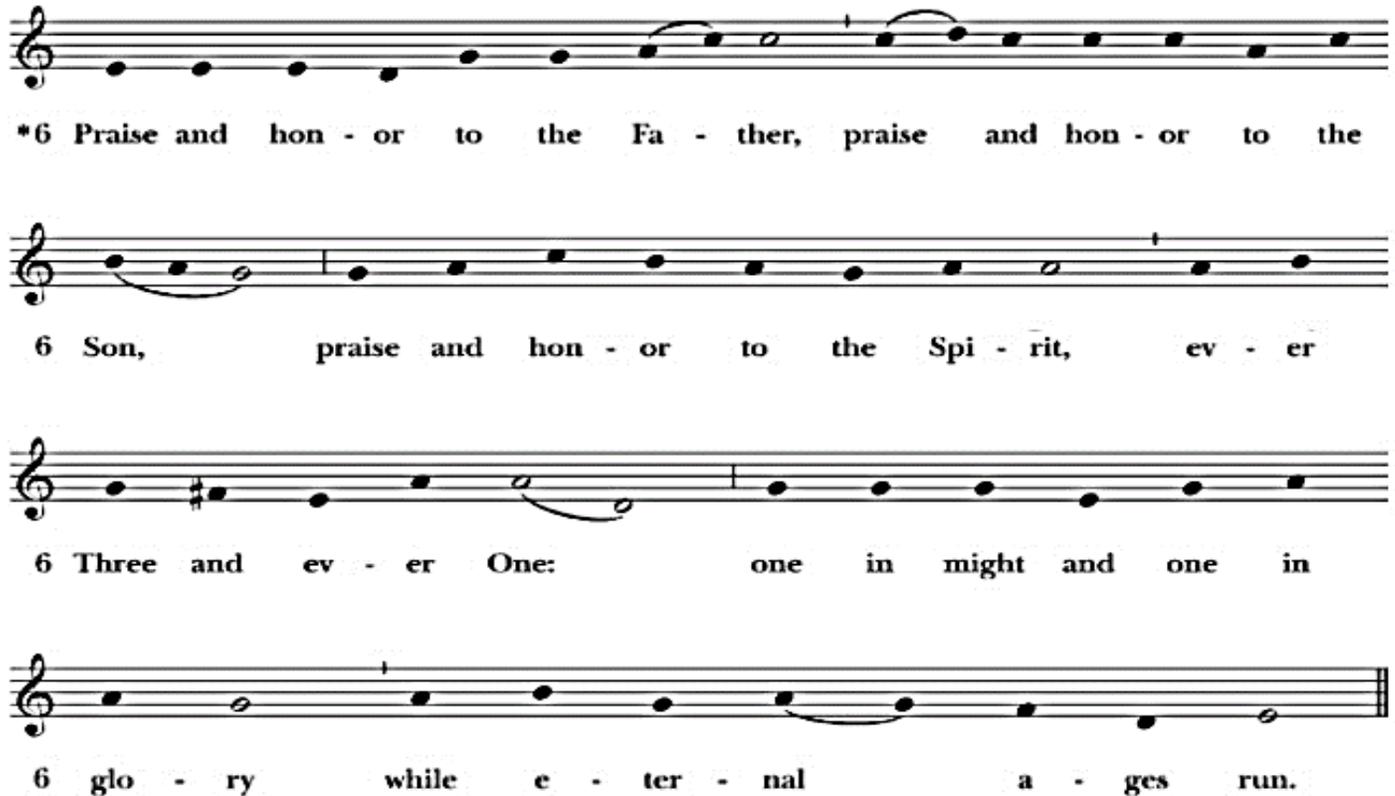
Presentation of the Gifts

(At 5:00 p.m.)

All things come of thee, O Lord; and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

(At 9:30 a.m.) *The Doxology*

Hymnal 166 verse 6



*6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the
6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er
6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in
6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

The Great Thanksgiving (*Eucharistic Prayer C*)

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 him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus (At 5:00 p.m.)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

✠ *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus (At 9:30 a.m.)

S 130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people may stand or kneel

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us † one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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 Breaking of the Bread – Agnus Dei (At 5:00 p.m.)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

grant us peace.



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Amen.



Communion Norms--We welcome our guests this morning. All are welcome at the Lord's table. You may stand or kneel (whichever you prefer). You are invited to eat the wafer and then drink from the cup. **We regret that you are not permitted to intinct (dip the wafer) at this time. Instead, you may keep your wafer visible in your hands and Fr. Chris will intinct for you and place the wafer on your tongue.** The people respond after receiving the bread or the wine by saying "Amen." If you prefer not to receive the cup, please cross your arms over your chest. If you do not want to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing from the priest. Gluten free wafers are available. Please notify Fr. Chris at the Communion Rail.

1. Be not dis-mayed_ what - e'er be - tide, God will take care of you;—
 2. Through days of toil___ when heart doth fail, God will take care of you;—
 3. All you may need___ He will pro-vide, God will take care of you;—
 4. No mat - ter what___ may be the test, God will take care of you;—

1. Be - neath His wings___ of love a - bidde, God will take care of you.____
 2. When dan - gers fierce___ your path as - sail, God will take care of you.____
 3. Noth - ing you ask___ will be de - nied, God will take care of you.____
 4. Lean, wea - ry one,___ up - on His breast, God will take care of you.____

God will take care of you, Through ev - 'ry day, O'er all the way;

He will take care___ of you, God will take care___ of you.____

The people stand as they are able.

The Post Communion Prayer (*Church of England*)

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

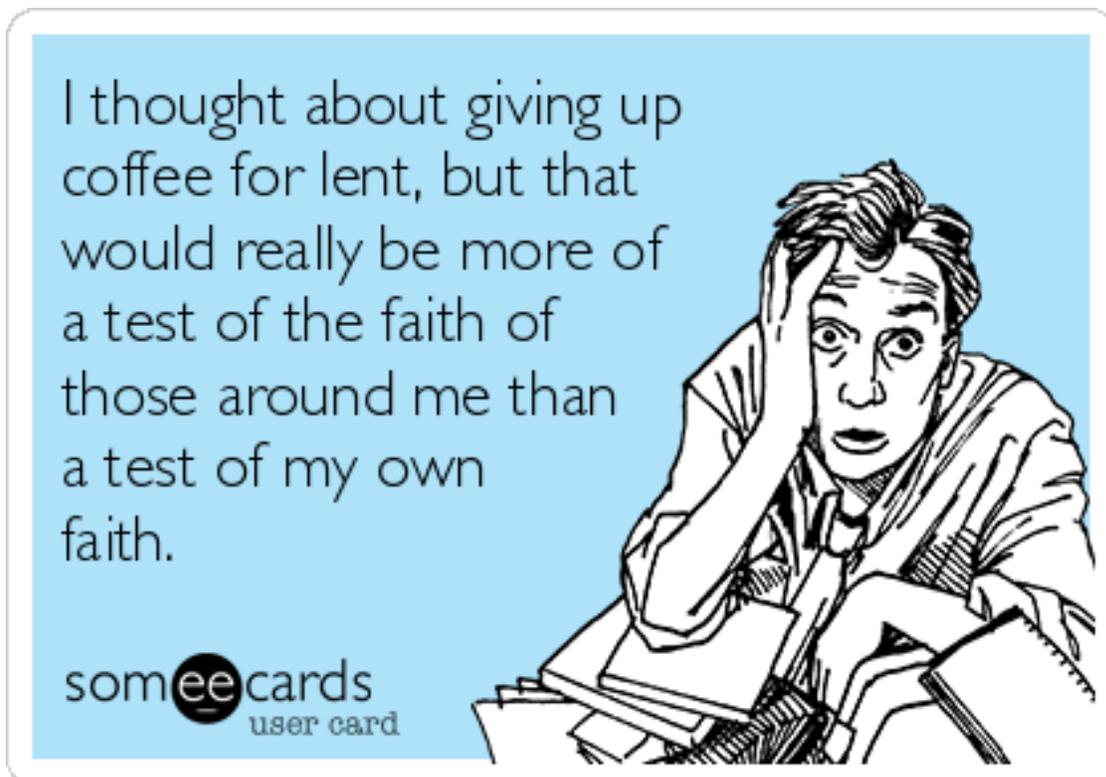
Giver of life, you enlighten all who come into the world. Fill our hearts with the splendor of your grace, that we may perfectly love you and worthily praise your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing for the Fourth Sunday of Lent (*Church of England*)

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God Almighty, † the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The people sit.

The Announcements

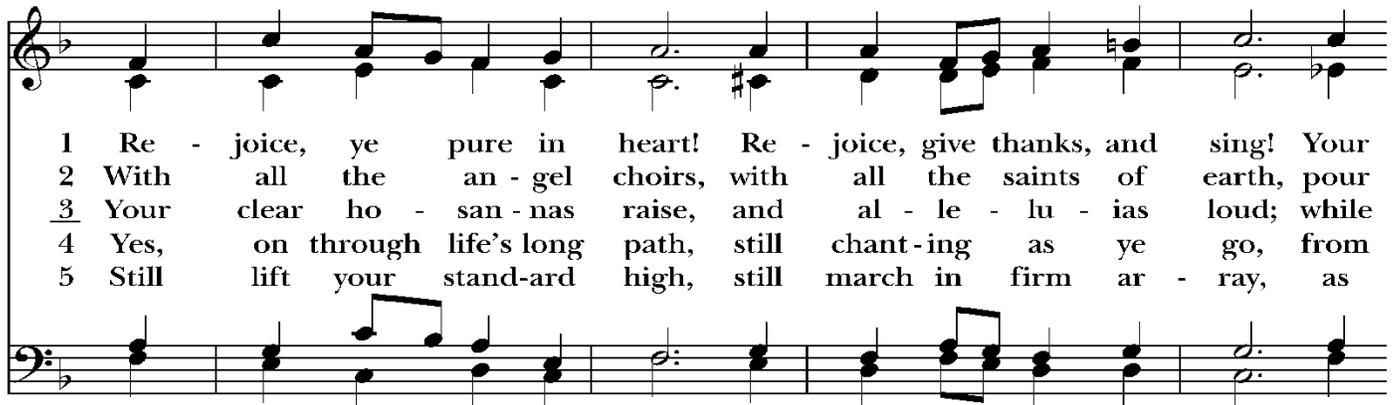


The people stand as they are able.

Recessional Hymn

Rejoice, ye pure in heart

Hymnal 556



1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing! Your
2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of earth, pour
3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias loud; while
4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from
5 Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar - ray, as



1 glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
2 out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
3 an - swering ech - oes up - ward float, like wreaths of in - cense cloud.
4 youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.
5 war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till dawns the gold - en day.

Refrain



Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.
re - joice, re - joice,

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



Peconic Deanery

Lent

Study

Series

Spiritual tools for today: lessons from Jesus and civil rights leaders.

Time: 7:00pm - Study Session; and 8:00pm - Compline.

Thursdays: Feb. 19, 26; March 12, 19 & 26.

Zoom: Meeting ID: 837 6688 5713 & Passcode: ChChBible

February 19: Benjamin Shambaugh, Rector of St. Luke's in East Hampton

Lessons from the Liberation Theology of Howard Thurman, Gustavo Gutierrez, and James Cone.

February 26: Charles McCarron, Rector of St. Mary's on Shelter Island

A Lenten Meditation on Justice: From the Desert to the Garden (Inspired by the writings of Leonardo Boff).

March 5: Justin Falciani, Rector of St. Mary's in Hampton Bays

Sacramental Church: how we can be a force for liberation in our parishes and every day life in the USA. This discussion is based on chapter 13 in [A Theology of Liberation](#) by Gustavo Gutierrez.

March 12: Chris Jubinski, Rector of St. Mark's in Westhampton Beach

Episcopal saints: Bishop Paul Jones, Deaconess Harriet Bedell, Seminarian Jonathan Myrick Daniels, and Queen Lili'uokalani.

March 19: Roger Joslin, Vicar of Church of the Redeemer and Holy Trinity Church

"I felt my legs were praying" reflections on [The Prophets](#) by Abraham Joshua Heschel.

March 26: Cecily Broderick, Rector Elect of Christ Church in Sag Harbor

Following in the footsteps of Pauli Murray and taking up our cross to follow Jesus: reflecting on the life of a saint and Matthew 25:31-46.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER PLANT/FLOWER REQUESTS – Forms for your requests are in this Sunday's bulletin, and on the table outside of the Parish Hall. Please note that the deadline for submitting them is March 29th.

THE "WAY OF THE CROSS" – takes place Wednesday evenings at 7 PM in the church.

THURSDAYS IN LENT – Two studies: 10:00 a.m. "An Unlikely Lent" in person and via zoom and also we join our fellow parishes for a Deanery program at 7:00 p.m. via zoom. Please see the newsletter for more information.

LIVING WELL THROUGH LENT 2026 devotional booklets are now available.

FYI

PARKING LOT SAFETY – With children and other vulnerable people being present here throughout the day at Saint Mark's, **please follow the direction arrows in the parking lot** to keep traffic flowing in one direction and please watch your speed to help ensure safety.

PLEASE NOTE: The current anniversaries and birthdays are listed in this insert each week. Kindly check it over to be sure your information is correct or if you need to be added. If you have access to the phone directory, kindly check that out also and contact Kate in the church office for any changes or additions. Thank you.

PASTORAL CARE – Please notify me if you are sick or in the hospital so that I can pray for you and visit to bring you Holy Communion. Some people hesitate to call me because they think they are inconveniencing me. Not true! I am here for you and your spiritual care. My cell is 410.253.3664 – Chris +

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ALTAR FLOWERS: - If you would like to dedicate flowers for the Altar please contact Laura Bott at 631-722-4749 or email her at Laura.bott17@gmail.com. Each vase is \$40. In April there are two vases available on the 12th and 19th and one vase on the 26th. Please remember to contact her if you sign up in the book.

PRAYER LIST

Dick Anderson (Req. by Edie Hofmann), **Arma Andon Jr.** (Req. by Sundy Schermeyer), **Ridgie Barnett** (Parishioner), **John Burke** (Req. by Norma Jeanne Okula), **Amanda Cacoperdo** (Req. by Tim Feil), **Candace F. Cerretani** (Catharine Nobiletti's sister), **Kim Clark** (Req. by Fr. Chris), **Deana Chiusano** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Julia Cloppse** (Req. by Jenn Kast), **Abby Connett** (Req. by Nancy Connett), **Dana Davis** (Req. by Rosanna Davis), **Estrella Farijian** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Ryan Fay** (Req. by Jennifer Kast), **Owen Foster** (Diane & John Stewart's grandson), **Nancy Fraser** (Req. by Ki Nobiletti), **Fred Rees Garcia** (son of Victoria Garcia), **Sandra Griffith** (Req. by Jane Griffith), **Elaine Hanes** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Paulann Hoffman** (Req. by Chris Adams), **Helen Horton** (Parishioner), **Imogene** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Barbara Ireton** (Req. by Carol Smith), **Debra Wolgemuth Jarashow**, (Req. by Elizabeth Wolgemuth), **Nancy Jones** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Gretchen & Jim Jubinski** (Fr. Chris' Parents), **Karen** (Req. by Catharine Nobiletti), **Tom Kurfman** (Req. by Carol Jubinski), **Cole LoRusso** (Marj Kulesa's Nephew), **Warren McCann** (Kate Gabrielsen's son-in-law), **Thomas Meyer** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Irene Monahan** (Req. by Laura Bott), **Jeanette Navas** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Paul Oele** (Parishioner), **Jesse O'Neil** (Req. by Jenn Kast), **Andrew Ortega** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Cassie Panzarino** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Rosemary Rees**, (Victoria Garcia's sister), **Tom Simson** (Parishioner), **Allison Skinner** (Parishioner), **Artos Stelmaszczyk** (Req. by Bozena Stelmaszczyk), **Dale Tracey** (Req. by Carol Jubinski), **Sarah Witters** (Req. by Victoria Garcia.), **Walter Zalaski** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **John Zuby** (Req. by Carol Jubinski).

If there are any names that can be removed, kindly contact Kate in the church office 631-288-2111.

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces: Francis Gordon, Amanda E. Degener, Kyle M. Degener, George L. Degener, Jesse Fritz, Cameron Garcia, Nicholas LoRusso, Joshua Rudd, Rob Scribner, James Mercready and Midshipman 4th Class Luke Williamson.



EASTER PLANT/FLOWER REQUEST 2026

The deadline for requests is March 29th

Fill the church on Easter Day by donating a beautiful Easter plant/flower in memory of your loved ones or in thanksgiving for a person or an event. A suggested donation of \$25.00 to offset the costs to Saint Mark's and will be listed in the Easter Day leaflet. Your check and request form can be put in Laura Bott's mailbox in the church office production room or mailed to the church, P.O. Box 887, Westhampton Beach, New York 11978 Attn: Laura Bott.

Thank you for your dedications and for all you do for Saint Marks.

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Saturdays 5:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist
Sundays 9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist in the church (Livestreamed)
The first "Sunday" of each month Healing & Anointing will be included in both services.

Thursday Services

11:00 AM Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing in Fr. Chris' Office
8:00 PM Compline via zoom

Office Hours

Tuesday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

All Members of Saint Mark's are Ministers of the Church!

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano – *Bishop of Long Island*
The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf – *Assisting Bishop*
The Rt. Rev. William Franklin – *Assisting Bishop*

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Chris Adams – *Facilities Manager*
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Tom Horan – *Warden*
Steve DeCaro – *Warden*

Vestry Members:

(Class of 2026) Rich Caccavano, Marjorie Kulesa, Steve Turner
(Class of 2027) Diane Feil, John Kern, Sandy Wyman
(Class of 2029) Tom Hadlock, Madeline Glover, Norma-Jeanne Okula
Thomas Simson – *Treasurer*
Carol Fitton – *Clerk of the Vestry*

