



# CHRIST CHURCH

IN THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

**Sunday, March 30, 2025**

**The Fourth Sunday in Lent**



**9:00 am**

**Contemporary Service**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

**WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!**

*I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go unto the house of the Lord.'*

*Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the house of God.*

The  
Season  
of  
Lent



**Visitors who are here for the first time** are invited to sign the guest register by the front door in the church Narthex.

*All baptized Christians, regardless of denominational affiliation or age, are invited to receive Communion. Gluten-Free wafers are available upon request.*



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# The Word of God

## Penitential Order

<b>OPENING SONG: <i>Bless the Lord O my soul</i></b>	<b>MYRIN &amp; REDMAN</b>
<b>OPENING ACCLAMATION</b>	<b>BCP p. 351</b>
<b>DECALOGUE</b>	<b>BCP p. 350</b>
<b>CONFESSION OF SIN</b>	<b>BCP p. 352</b>
<b>KYRIE</b>	<b>arr. WILLIAM BRADLEY ROBERTS</b>
<b>THE COLLECT OF THE DAY</b>	

*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 for ever. *Amen.*

<b>CHILDREN'S SERMON</b>	<b>JOHANNA REILLY</b>
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Children are invited to come forward  
to the altar for the Children's Sermon.

# The Lessons

## FIRST READING: Joshua 5:9-12

A Reading from the book of Joshua.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.” And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

<sup>10</sup>While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup>On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. <sup>12</sup>The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 32

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
**and whose sin is put away!**

<sup>2</sup>Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
**and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
**because of my groaning all day long.**

<sup>4</sup>For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
**my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

<sup>5</sup>Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
**and did not conceal my guilt.**

<sup>6</sup>I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” \*  
**Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**

<sup>7</sup>Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
**when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

<sup>8</sup>You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*

**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

<sup>9</sup>“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*

**I will guide you with my eye.**

<sup>10</sup>Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*

**who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you.”**

<sup>11</sup>Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*

**but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

<sup>12</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*

**shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

## **SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Corinth.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. <sup>20</sup>So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

**SEQUENCE SONG: Still**

**REUBEN MORGAN**

## **GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People*            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>5</sup>The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. <sup>6</sup>A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. <sup>7</sup>When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>8</sup>So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>9</sup>He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. <sup>10</sup>But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! <sup>11</sup>I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>12</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." ' <sup>13</sup>So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. <sup>14</sup>Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>15</sup>But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe — the best one — and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>16</sup>And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; <sup>17</sup>for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

<sup>18</sup>Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>19</sup>He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>20</sup>He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' <sup>21</sup>Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>22</sup>But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>23</sup>But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' <sup>24</sup>Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>25</sup>But we had to celebrate

and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found."

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

<b>THE SERMON</b>	<b>DN. BILL PARDY</b>
<b>THE NICENE CREED</b>	<b>BCP p. 358</b>
<b>THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM I)</b>	<b>BCP p. 383</b>
<b>THE PEACE</b>	<b>BCP p. 360</b>
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	

## The Holy Communion

<b>OFFERTORY SENTENCE</b>	<b>BCP p.376</b>
<b>OFFERTORY SONG: <i>Honey in the Rock</i></b>	<b>B. LIGERTWOOD</b>
<b>THE DOXOLOGY</b>	<b>HYMNAL 380, v.3</b>

<b>The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)</b>	<b>BCP p. 361</b>
<b>INVITATION</b>	<b>IONA WORSHIP BOOK</b>

*Celebrant: This is the table, not of the Church, but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him and who want to love him more.*

*So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed;*

*Come, not because the church invites you; it is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here.*

<b>SURSUM CORDA</b>	<b>BCP p. 361</b>
<b>PROPER PREFACE</b>	<b>BCP p. 361</b>

<b>SANCTUS</b>	<b>arr. WILLIAM BRADLEY ROBERTS</b>
<b>WORDS OF INSTITUTION</b>	<b>BCP p. 362</b>
<b>MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION</b>	<b>BCP p. 363</b>
<b>THE LORD'S PRAYER</b>	<b>BCP p. 364</b>

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

<b>FRACTION ANTHEM: <i>Agnus Dei</i></b>	<b>ROLAND MARTIN</b>
<b>COMMUNION SONGS</b>	
<i>Just as I am</i>	<b>B. BROWN</b>
<i>May the road</i>	<b>FRAN MCKENDREE</b>
<b>POST-COMMUNION PRAYER</b>	<b>BCP p. 365</b>
<b>BLESSING</b>	<b>BCP p. 366</b>
<b>CLOSING SONG: <i>All The People Said Amen</i></b>	<b>MAHER, MONK &amp; MORGAN</b>
<b>DISMISSAL</b>	<b>BCP p. 366</b>



**ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE TODAY:**

**VERGER** Andrew Sewell

**ACOLYTE(S)** Krysteen Sewell

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Jim Nigrelli

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**MUSICIANS** Rupe, Bill Holt-piano

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**REFLECTION AND NOTES**

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<b><u>Birthdays</u></b>		<b><u>Anniversaries</u></b>
Wayne Girardet 4/1	Judy Meyer 4/4	Brian & Linda Baril 4/3
Jolaine Goldman 4/1	Bethany Matzke 4/4	
George Marcello 4/1	Jane Scovanner 4/4	
Cyndi Girardet 4/2	Bunny Chelena 4/5	
Dennis Scovanner 4/2	Andrew Kalaman 4/5	
Anne Castellina 4/3	Charlie Landers 4/5	
Peter Escobar 4/3	Linda Norris 4/5	
George Isiminger 4/4		

**Christ Episcopal Church Prayer List**

Phyllis Anderson	Nick Feda	Mark Young
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Barb Becatti	Jennifer Galligher	Sheila Young
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Allen Boyce	Will Knowles	Arlene
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Dave & Vicki Breneman	Keith Peer	Jyanika
Karen Brosseau	Michael Price	Jeffrey
William Burch	Judy Rutt	Lilly
Chuck Crossan	Kim Sawyer	Miah
Maria Crossan	Juliana Seese	Neal
Barry DeMatthews	Kim Stadlin	Pam
Daniel Dodson	Ann Staub	Todd
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**May the Souls of all the faithful departed Rest in Peace**

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*Jubilate Handbells*

**The Wardens, Vestry, and Officers of the Parish**

Patrick Whelan (Senior Warden)  
Bill Forkgen (Junior Warden)  
Wendy Brown  
Patricia Handy  
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*The parish office is open from 9-4, Monday through Thursday; Friday 9-2.*

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**The Diocese of Southwest Florida**

The Right Reverend Douglas F. Scharf, Bishop, Southwest Florida



*Christ Episcopal Church*  
*(Bradenton, Florida)*

## **Our Parish Mission Statement**

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus said, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”