



# The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Morning Prayer

Sunday, March 22, 2026 9:30 a.m.

*Welcome visitors and newcomers; we are glad you are here! If you would like more information about the community of St. Thomas, please speak to a greeter or a member of the clergy. To receive information by email, please fill out a visitor card found in the pew and give to an usher or place in the offering plate.*

*The ministers enter in silence*

*The Officiant says*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

## Confession of Sin

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our  
own hearts,  
we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to  
have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to  
have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,  
restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*The Officiant says*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

## The Invitatory and Psalter

*All stand*

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

*Officiant and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## Invitatory

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; \*  
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, \*  
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are all the corners of the earth, \*  
and the strength of the hills is his also.  
The sea is his and he made it, \*  
and his hands prepared the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and fall down \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is the Lord our God, \*  
and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand.  
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \*  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.  
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, \*  
and with righteousness to judge the world  
and the peoples with his truth.

## Psalm 130

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;  
LORD, hear my voice; \*  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.  
<sup>2</sup>If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
O Lord, who could stand?  
<sup>3</sup>For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
therefore you shall be feared.  
<sup>4</sup>I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; \*  
in his word is my hope.  
<sup>5</sup>My soul waits for the LORD,  
more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
more than watchmen for the morning.  
<sup>6</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD, \*  
for with the LORD there is mercy;  
<sup>7</sup>with him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## The Lessons

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel [37:1-14]

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may

live.” <sup>10</sup>I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

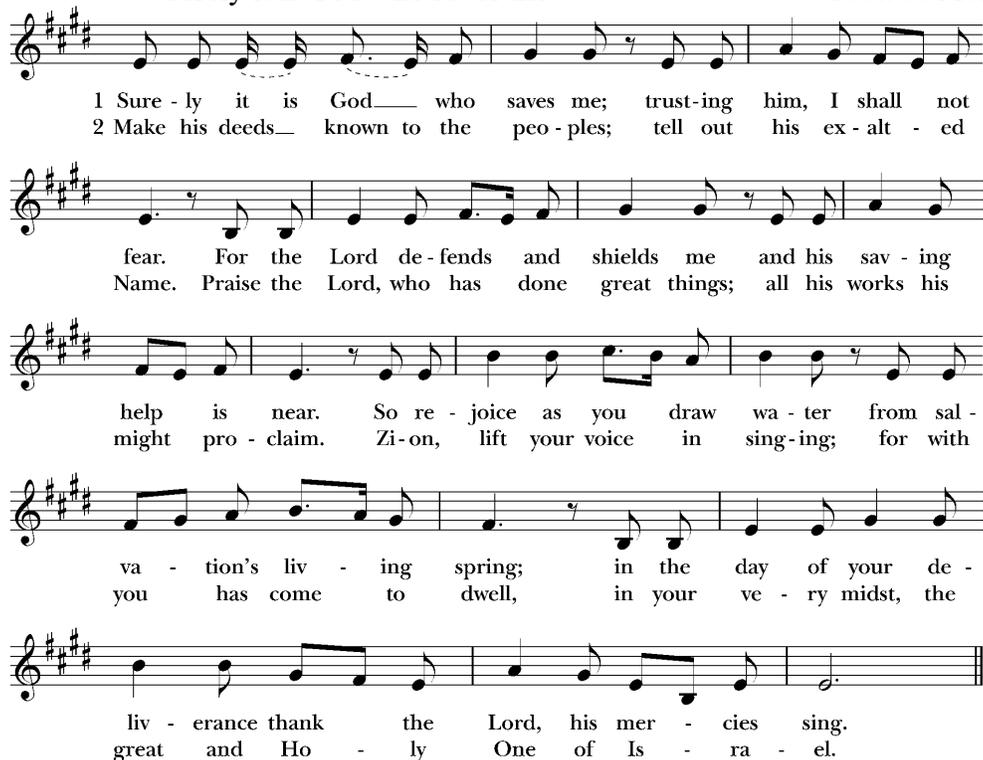
People **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

## Hymn 679

Surely it is God who saves me

Thomas Merton



1 Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not  
2 Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed  
fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing  
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his  
help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -  
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with  
va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -  
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the  
liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.  
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

*The people sit.*

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome [8:6-11]

<sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, <sup>8</sup>and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup>But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

*Unison or harmony*

Lord God, you now have set your ser - vant free to go in  
 peace as prom-ised in your word; my eyes have seen the  
 Sa - vior, Christ the Lord, pre-pared by you for all the  
 world to see, to shine on na - tions trapped in dark - est night,  
 the glo - ry of your peo - ple, and their light.

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Gospel of John [11:1-45]

<sup>1</sup>Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." <sup>5</sup>Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup>after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

<sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Judeans were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." <sup>11</sup>After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep,

but I am going there to awaken him.”<sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.”<sup>13</sup>Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep.<sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead.<sup>15</sup>For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.”<sup>16</sup>Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

<sup>17</sup>When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.<sup>18</sup>Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away,<sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother.<sup>20</sup>When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.<sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.<sup>22</sup>But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.”<sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”<sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”<sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,<sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”<sup>27</sup>She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

<sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.”<sup>29</sup>And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him.<sup>31</sup>The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there.<sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”<sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.<sup>34</sup>He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.”<sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep.<sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”<sup>37</sup>But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.<sup>39</sup>Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.”<sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?”<sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me.<sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.”<sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”<sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

<sup>45</sup>Many of the Judeans therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

*Reader*            **The Word of the Lord.**

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

**Choir Anthem**

Lead me Lord

*Wesley*

**Sermon**

**The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers

*The people stand or kneel*

*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.

*People*            And with thy spirit.

*Officiant*        Let us pray.

## The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant and People*

**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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
R. **And grant us thy salvation.**  
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in thee can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;  
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;  
R. **Thy saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

### *Collect of the Day*

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### *A Collect for the Renewal of Life*

O God, the King eternal, who dividest the day from the night and turnest the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep thy law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done thy will with cheerfulness while it was day, we may, when the night cometh, rejoice to give thee thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## *A Prayer For Mission*

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. **Amen.**



*The people stand as the offerings are brought forward. Online Offerings: Scan the QR Code or click the Donate Button on our website ([www.stthomascamden.org](http://www.stthomascamden.org)) Announcements may be made.*

## **Offertory Hymn 455**

O Love of God, how strong and true

*Dunedin*

1 O love of God, how strong and true,  
Eternal and yet ever new;  
Uncomprehended and unbought,  
Beyond all knowledge and all thought.

2 O wide-embracing, wondrous love,  
We read thee in the sky above;  
We read thee in the earth below,  
In seas that swell and streams that flow.

3 We read thee best in him who came  
To bear for us the cross of shame,  
Sent by the Father from on high,  
Our life to live, our death to die.

4 We read thy power to bless and save  
E'en in the darkness of the grave;  
Still more in resurrection light  
We read the fullness of Thy might.

## **The General Thanksgiving**

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

**Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

**Hymn LEVAS 106**

**Take My Hand, Precious Lord**

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me  
2. When my way grows — drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws —

1. stand, — I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; —  
2. near, — When my life is — al - most — gone; —  
3. near, — And the day is — past and — gone; —

1. — Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the  
2. — Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I  
3. — At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, — Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, — Lead me on. —  
2. fall, — Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, — Lead me on. —  
3. hand, — Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, — Lead me on. —

### ***Liturgical Ministers***

Officiant: Derek Reed  
Preacher: Sarah Groman  
Organist: Scott Dyer  
Readers: Pam Bardon, Gwen Prosser, Kate Jackson  
Ushers: Dean Jackson, Cheryl White

### ***People in our Prayers***

**Healing:** Gabrielle Wicklow, Mary Mitchell, Morgan Forster, Fred McLaughlin, Kate Pinson, Karen Nolan, Tim C., Bill, Jan, Marieda Hunt, Patrick Coleman, Jan L., Miriam, The Nisbet Family, Wendy, Jeff, Sandra Covington, Peter Walker, Br. Richard Biernacki BSG, Jeff, David Bridges, Kathy Bridges, Donald, Diana Mohr, Gwen, Charles Lewis, Jeanie, Timothy Jackson, Catherine, Kristina Shea, Tony, Mya Delisle, Andrew Moran, Donovan, Debra and Amy, Ned and Kathleen Bachus, Anna and her child Brody, Ruth Tolman, Helene, John, Phyllis, Michael, Bob, Sylvia, Marlene, Percy, Joan Grey, Cathy, James, Ken, Joseph, Jo Panayotoff, Joyce S, Jan Schaefer, Christine & Paul M, Jason, Kristen, Jeanie, Cathie, Brian, Bob S., Gary P., Gay Schueler, Pat Medley, Timothy Darling, Leah, Sandy, Ezra, Chris Strazzulla, Fr. Tom Pike, Evie Bridges, Luke Morelli, Tim Peters, Janice Boetsch, Shirley, Budge Walen, Chris, Vicki Boetsch, Catherine G, Annabel, Pam Kaler, Margery, Stephanie, Helen Russell

**For the repose of the soul of:** Andrew Burrows, Cindy Rogers

**March Birthdays:** Mike Moore (5), Kristen Burkholder (5), Andrew Moran (6), Paul Briggs (9), Joe Kulick (14), Jamie Popejoy (17), Terry Mello (19), Benjy Lowry (27)

**Diocese Cycle of Prayer:** St. Paul's, Brunswick, For safety, strength, courage, wisdom and connection for those serving in the role as foster parent

### **This Week at St. Thomas'**

#### **The Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 22:**

9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Rite I (*Coffee Hour follows in Parish Hall*)  
4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (*Lady Chapel*)

#### **Wednesday, March 25:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayer  
11:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom (*Contact Donovan Bowley for link*)

#### **Friday, March 27**

4:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross

**A.A. meetings are held daily at 6:30 p.m.**

### **Church Staff and Parish Officers**

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Anne Rogers-Popejoy, *Vestry Clerk*

## Looking Toward Holy Week

“On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, we share in his victory over death” (opening address at the Easter Vigil, BCP p. 285)

Holy Week is an immersion in the Paschal Mystery. These days are the primary expression and celebration of this Mystery, when the Church knows anamnesis as at no other time of the year. It is a time of high drama that invites the faithful to walk with Jesus through the final moments of his pre-resurrected life in ways that create new containers of meaning for our own lives.

While there are liturgies that might be observed through Holy Week, there are three proper liturgies provided in the Book of Common Prayer which should be observed by every faith community (even if it means partnering with another faith community to do so). These liturgies highlight important, often uncomfortable truths of the Christian faith. The proper liturgies— Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil—comprise the Triduum, which is the height and heart of the revelation of the Paschal Mystery in the Christian Year.

It can be incredibly tempting to either distill the events of this week into carefully crafted equations that somehow sort out our salvation or to ignore the disturbing bits altogether. Either extreme would be an incredible miscalculation and a missed opportunity. The events of Holy Week and how God uses these events to bring out the salvation of humanity and the restoration of Creation are concepts with which the biblical witness is deeply interested in engaging without having to settle on anything neat and polished. Holy Week doesn't explain salvation so much as it allows us to experience it by walking it.

--From [Planning for Rites and Rituals: A Resource for Episcopal Worship](#), edited by Andrew R. Wright



*The Raising of Lazarus, from Bonaventura, Meditazioni, Venice 1487 Subject of Gospel Reading on Lent V.*

## Announcements:

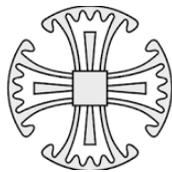
- Donations to Uganda Woman's Health: Please make checks payable to St. Thomas' Church and clearly mark the memo line "Woman's Health"
- Reminder we will return to two services next week at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on March 29.
- Please bring "Mediterranean foods" to share at the Maundy Thursday, Agape Meal (finger foods such as vegetable sticks, humus, pita, olives, stuffed grape leaves, fruit, cheese). The meal will be in the Parish Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m. on April 2 and will conclude with a brief homily by Deacon Burkholder.

# Holy Week and Easter 2026

With the Episcopal Community of St. Thomas

<b>Sunday of the Passion</b> March 29	8:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Liturgy with Hymns 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Liturgy ( <i>Begins in Parish Hall</i> ) 4:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> )
<b>Monday in Holy Week</b> March 30	9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> ) 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> )
<b>Tuesday in Holy Week</b> March 31	9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> ) 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> )
<b>Wednesday in Holy Week</b> April 1	9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> ) 9:30 a.m. Eucharist with Prayers for Healing ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> ) 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> )
<b>Maundy Thursday</b> April 2	9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> ) 5:30 p.m. Agape Meal ( <i>Parish Hall-Bring Mediterranean Food</i> ) 6:30 p.m. Liturgy ( <i>Foot washing, Eucharist, Stripping of Altar</i> ) 8:00 p.m. Nightwatch ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> )
<b>Good Friday</b> April 3	9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer ( <i>Lady Chapel</i> ) 12:00 p.m. Ecumenical Service at Chestnut Street Baptist 4:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross ( <i>at St. Thomas</i> )
<b>Holy Saturday</b> April 4	9:00 a.m. Holy Saturday Liturgy ( <i>A brief service of the Word</i> )
<b>Easter Eve</b>	7:30 p.m. THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER ( <i>Begins Parish Hall</i> ) St. Thomas is hosting this service for all mid-coast Episcopal, Lutheran, and United Methodist congregations: Kindling the new fire, stories of salvation history, baptisms and confirmation, procession to the church for the Easter acclamation and first Eucharist of Easter. Bishop Thomas Brown, celebrant, Dr. Deirdre Good, preacher. Sean Fleming, musician. Reception following. Bring a handbell!
<b>Easter Day</b> April 5	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Hymns (Rite I) 10:00 a.m. Festival Holy Eucharist (Rite II- <i>bring a handbell</i> )

*Come pray with us!*



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