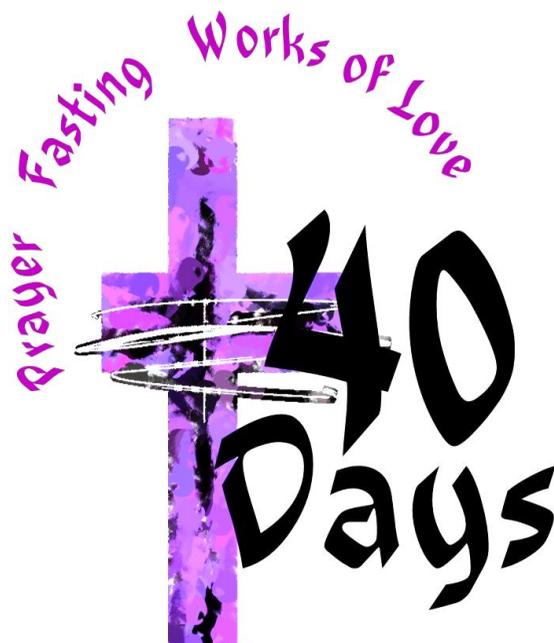


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CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, NEWTON

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2026

8:00 & 10:00 am: Holy Eucharist, Rite I

*\*omitted at 8:00 am*

*As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, please keep conversation to a minimum.*

**\*Prelude Music**

**\*Processional Hymn #498**

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

St. Christopher

**Opening Acclamation**

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*People* His mercy endureth for ever.

**The Decalogue**

*8 am: spoken; 10 am: sung response*

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the words "Lord, have mercy upon us, and in -". The second staff contains the melody for the words "cline our hearts to keep this law." The lyrics are printed below the notes, with horizontal lines indicating the placement of the words relative to the musical phrases.

God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honor thy father and thy mother.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt do no murder.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not steal.

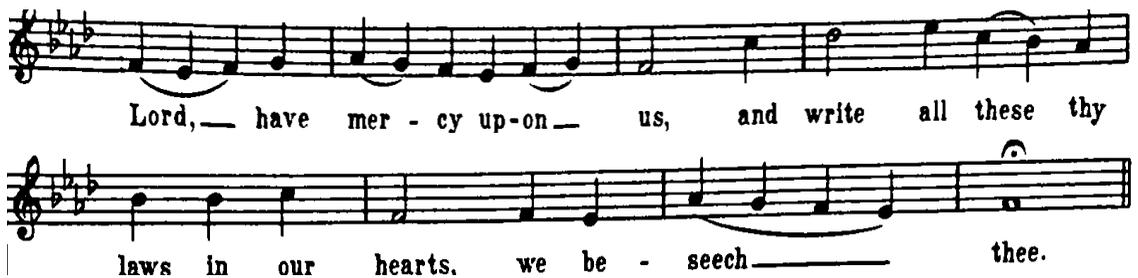
**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not covet.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**



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

## The Confession & Absolution

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*A period of silence is kept. The Congregation is invited to kneel.*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

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

## Kyrie

8 am: spoken

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

10 am: (S-91)

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

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*            **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray. O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: 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.**

## The First Lesson

**Ezekiel 37:1-14**

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. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 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." 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. 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. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, 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." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. 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.' Therefore prophecy, 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. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. 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.**

**Psalm 130**

*prayed responsively*

- 1 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.**
- 2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
**O Lord, who could stand?**
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
**therefore you shall be feared.**
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
**in his word is my hope.**
- 5 My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
**more than watchmen for the morning.**
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
**for with the Lord there is mercy;**
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
**and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

**The Second Lesson**

**Romans 8:6-11**

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 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, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 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. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 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.**

**\*Sequence Hymn #508**

Breathe on me, breath of God

*Nova Vita*

*Clergy* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**The Holy Gospel**

**John 11:1-45**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair;

her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." 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." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" 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. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." 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." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. 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. 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." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave,

and a stone was lying against it. 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." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. 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." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 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." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Clergy            The Gospel of the Lord.  
People            Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Dr. Tricia Lyons, Associate Priest

**The Nicene Creed**

*Please stand.*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

*Please stand or kneel.*

Let us pray for the Church, the world and all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence is kept.*

God our Creator, we acknowledge that you are the God of all people, the God of all generations. We thank you for our lives, which are in your hands; for our souls, which are in your keeping; and for the signs of your presence we encounter everyday.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all people in their daily life and work; for our families, friends, and neighbors; for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble, including those on our prayer list. Comfort and relieve those who suffer, and help us to be agents of your healing and wholeness.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers in this time of uncertainty for all enduring the consequences of war. Protect those serving in our Armed Forces. Equip our leaders to help accomplish a cessation of violence and establish lasting peace.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

The season of Lent calls us to a time of self-reflection. Guide us, O God, as we look inward so that we may see the truth of our lives; and give us the courage and strength to make an honest effort to live according to your will. We pray for your pardon, forgiveness, and support.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all whom we love, but see no longer. Grant them light and peace in that place where there is no pain or sorrow, but life eternal.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant may add a concluding collect.*

## The Peace

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

*People*          **And with thy spirit.**



## Welcome & Announcements

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**\*Offertory Anthem**

King of glory, King of peace

Harold Friedell

King of glory, King of peace,  
I will love Thee;  
and that love may never cease,  
I will move Thee.  
Thou hast granted my request,  
Thou hast heard me;  
Thou didst note my working breast,  
Thou hast spared me.

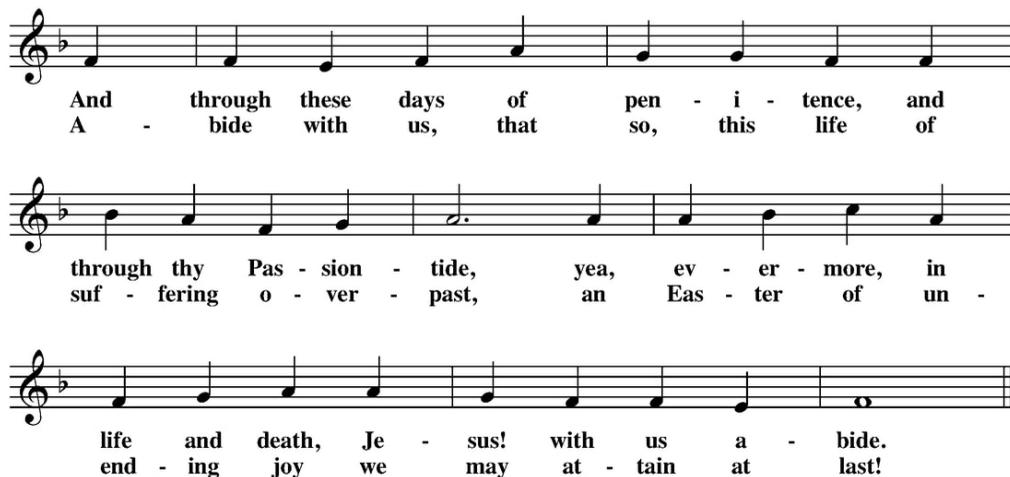
Wherefore with my utmost art  
I will sing Thee,  
and the cream of all my heart  
I will bring Thee.  
Though my sins against me cried,  
Thou didst clear me;  
and alone, when they replied,  
Thou didst hear me.

Sev'n whole days, not one in sev'n,  
I will praise Thee;  
in my heart, though not in heav'n,  
I can raise Thee.  
Small it is, in this poor sort  
to enroll Thee:  
e'en eternity's too short  
to extol Thee.

- George Herbert

**\*Presentation Hymn**

St. Flavian



And through these days of pen - i - tence, and  
A - bide with us, that so, this life of  
through thy Pas - sion - tide, yea, ev - er - more, in  
suf - fering o - ver - past, an Eas - ter of un -  
life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.  
end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

# The Holy Communion

## Eucharistic Prayer II

*Celebrant*      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.**

*Celebrant*  
 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. Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

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

*8 am: spoken; 10 am: S-114*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
 Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
 - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Celebrant*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for 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 to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, 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, we thy people do celebrate and make, 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; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has 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, forever and ever. Amen.

## The Fraction

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

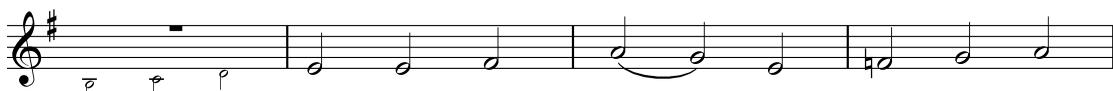
8 am: *Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

10 am:

\*Agnus Dei (S158)

Men

Healey Willan



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -



way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

Women



on us. O Lamb of God, that



ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have

All

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

### All are welcome at God's Table

*Please come forward, at the direction of the ushers.*

*The bread is received in the open palm.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available by asking the priest.*

*The wine, if desired, may be taken from the common cup by drinking  
 (placing your hand gently on the base of the chalice to guide it).*

*If you do not wish to receive communion, you may cross your arms over your chest  
 and receive a blessing from the priest.*

**\*Communion Anthem**

Ubi Caritas  
 Junior Choir

Becki Slago Mayo

*Ubi caritas, Deus ibi est*

*Where there is charity and love, God is there.*

**\*Communion Hymn #314**

Humbly I adore thee

*Adoro devote*

## Thanksgiving after Communion

*Please stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in 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, 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 Solemn Prayer

*During the season of Lent, in place of a blessing, a Solemn Prayer over the People is used:*

*Celebrant* Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this thy people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn #441** (*verses 1-4*) In the cross of Christ I glory *Rathbun*

## The Dismissal

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

*There is no Voluntary during the season of Lent.*

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**Serving in God's House Today**

**8 am**

Lector: John Beasley

L.E.M.: Mitch Hillard

Usher: Bill Habermann

**10 am**

Crucifer: Josh Szelesta

Lectors: Brad Hodgins, Cecelia Clayton,

Patricia Taggart

L.E.M.: Randy Kurie

Ushers: Mike & Denise Streeter

**Christ Church Prayer List**

**We offer our prayers for those who are ill, including:**

Aiden, Arya, Carl, Carolynne, Chandler, Chelsee, Chuck,  
Craig, Daryl, Ed, Ed, Georgeann, Gizelle, Irene, Ishi,  
Jason, Jaysen, Jim, Jim D., Jim W., Joyce, Lorraine,  
Lorraine, Lorraine C., Lou, Lynn, Lynn, Madeline, Marie,  
Marsha, Mary, Mary Ellen, Nadine, Ruth, Steve, Tricia, Val.

**We offer our prayers for those serving in the armed forces, including:**

Angel, Dean, Jonathan, Michael, Nicholas, Parker, and Robert.

**We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays this week, including:**

Claire Humber, Bryce Manser, and Katy Van Orden.

**We rejoice with those celebrating anniversaries this week, including:**

Paul & Michelle Weibel.

*Please contact the church office to have names added or removed from our prayer list,  
or to add a birthday or anniversary to our list. We want to be praying with you!*

**Joining us in worship & fellowship on March 8, 2026**

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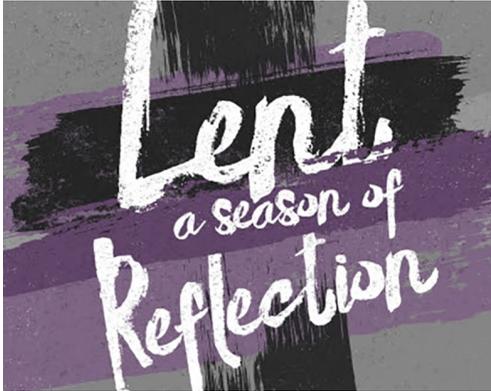
10:00 am: 146

**Adjusting to the Light**

*Miller Williams*

Lazarus, listen, we have things to tell you.  
We killed the sheep you meant to take to market.  
We couldn't keep the old dog, either.  
He minded you. The rest of us he barked at.  
Rebecca, who cried two days, has given her hand  
to the sandalmaker's son. Please understand  
we didn't know that Jesus could do this.  
We're glad you're back. But give us time to think.  
Imagine our surprise....

We want to say  
we're sorry for all of that. And one thing more.  
We threw away the lyre. But listen, we'll pay  
whatever the sheep was worth. The dog, too.  
And put your room the way it was before.



**Lenten Series 2026**  
**Wednesday Evenings in Lent**  
**7:00-8:00 pm**

**Spiritual Struggles:**  
**Strategies for Strengthening**  
**& Sustaining our Faith**

Led by **Chris Streeter** and **Tricia Lyons**, we will spend time identifying some of the spiritual struggles and pitfalls that can challenge and discourage us. We hope you will join us throughout the season of Lent, preparing our ourselves in heart, body, mind and spirit for the coming of Easter and reclaiming the joys given to us through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**Our series concludes this Wednesday, March 25 from 7:00-8:00 pm in Holley Hall.**



**Easter Flower Donations**  
**Due by Sunday, March 29**

Envelopes for Easter flower donations can be found in your pew rack, or by speaking with one of our ushers.

Please have your donations submitted by  
Sunday, March 29 (Palm Sunday)  
for inclusion in our Easter Sunday bulletin.

For questions, please reach out to the church office  
[office@christchurchnewton.org](mailto:office@christchurchnewton.org) or 973-383-2245.



# Holy Week 2026 at Christ Church

*Join us throughout this most sacred week as we mark the story of Christ's death and resurrection.*

**Sunday, March 29** **8 am & 10 am**  
**Palm Sunday: The Sunday of the Passion** **Holy Eucharist w/ Procession**  
*We will gather at 9:45 am in the Newton Town Square for our opening procession*

**Monday, March 30** **7 pm: Evening Prayer**  
**Tuesday, March 31** **7 pm: Sung Tenebrae Service**  
**Wednesday, April 1** **7 pm: Evening Prayer**

**Thursday, April 2** **7 pm**  
**Maundy Thursday** **Holy Eucharist & The Stripping of the Altar**  
*Our night-long Watch begins immediately following the service.*  
*Sign-up online or by contacting the church office.*



**Friday, April 3** **8 am: Mass of the Presanctified**  
**Good Friday** **4 pm: Holy Week Family Service**  
*This 45-minute offering is geared especially for families and young children.*  
*We'll begin in the sanctuary and walk to different stations to learn the story of Holy Week.*  
**7 pm: Good Friday Liturgy**

**Saturday, April 4** **8 am: Holy Saturday Liturgy**  
**Holy Saturday** **7 pm: The Great Vigil of Easter**  
*Festive Greek Dinner immediately following in Holley Hall*

**Sunday, April 5** **8 am & 10 am**  
**The Sunday of the Resurrection** **Holy Eucharist**  
*Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 10 am service*



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