Holy Eucharist 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

The Holy Eucharist Renewed Ancient Text From the Book of Common Prayer 2019

March 30, 2025 10:30 AM

WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

CREATION

All of creation was made good, with humanity as its very good crown - created in the image of God, the delight of His heart.

FALL

Humanity rebelled, seeking to be god rather than to submit to God, and began to live life selfishly rather than according to His goodness. In this rebellion, we have bound ourselves under sin, evil, and death. This results in alienation from God, from one another, from creation, and even from ourselves, and brings us under God's righteous judgment.

REDEMPTION

God, in His mercy and great love for us and for all of creation, entered into the world to save people and to renew his creation: Jesus Christ, God in flesh, came to free us from sin, evil, and death. Through His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus paid the penalty for our sins, conquered evil and death, and was exalted as King over all.

INVITATION

We are invited to be reconciled to God and participate in the renewal of all creation. This requires repentance from our old way of life, having faith in Christ's act of love and mercy, and having a new life of grace and love with the Holy Spirit. This can begin now. Join with us in worship, as we come to God in our need, confess our sins, receive His forgiveness, hear His word, and are nourished by His self-giving love in the bread and wine. Please speak to one of our pastors if you'd like to learn more about forming a relationship with this God who loves you already.

General Information

Christ Church Anglican was founded in 1733 and maintains its historical heritage as the first church in Georgia and as a member of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese in the Anglican Church of North America (ACNA).

Parking can be found in our lot on 37th Street and is also available at the Library next door on Bull St. or at the Georgia Infirmary on 36th St. or The Whitefield Center at Drayton and 37th St.

Nursery Care is provided on Sundays beginning at 9 a.m. for children 3 and under, downstairs in the Wesley Wing.

Children of all ages are welcome to stay in the service. Children's activity bags and books for use during the service are available at the 37th street entrance. Please leave the activity bags and books in the pew or return to the Narthex. Little Church for children ages 4-11 takes place during the 10:30 a.m. sermon.

Weekly Newsletter Scan the QR code to access and sign up for our weekly newsletter. Parish news and events are featured in our Thursday release.





Visitors, we are happy you are worshiping with us today! Please stop by the Parlor after worship to meet Clergy & Staff and to receive a newcomer gift. Also consider completing this online connection card located on our website. We look forward to seeing you in the future

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please kneel or sit in silence as you prepare your heart to worship the Living God.

Prelude	"Jesus in the Wilderness" The Bells of Christ Church	William Payne U.S.: 2005

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"The Glory of These Forty Days"

THE ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 123)

CelebrantBless the Lord who forgives all our sins.PeopleHis mercy endures for ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 125)

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

THE DECALOGUE (BCP p. 100)

Celebrant	God spoke these words and said: I am the Lord your God, you shall have no other gods but me.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	You shall not make for yourself any idol.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	Honor your father and your mother.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	You shall not murder.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	You shall not commit adultery.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	You shall not steal.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant	You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
People	Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Celebrant People	You shall not covet. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.
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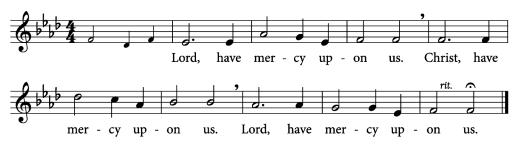
All say together

Hymnal #98

Standing

Erhalt Uns, Herr

Kneeling



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 605)

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit

The Celebrant continues

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 OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Joshua 4:19-24, 5:1-12	Pew Bible, p 213

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 34:1-8 (In praise of God's justice)

About the Psalm: During the season of Lent we will be chanting the Psalm using the ancient music of Gregorian chant. Solemn, reflective, penitent in nature, this music for chanting the Psalms reflects the season of Lent with both simplicity and holiness. (Note: change pitch at the small bar.)



At this time, children 4 - 11 years old are invited to "Little Church". Children will follow the crucifer (cross) out of the Nave and downstairs to the Wesley Wing. Parents of very young children are asked to accompany their child.

GOSPEL HYMN (*New Hymn for Lent*) "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" Hymnal #700 Repton

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 15:11-32

After the reading,

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The congregation is invited to pray and reflect in silence for a time following the sermon

THE NICENE CREED (BCP pp. 126-127)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

Pew Bible, p. 1039

The Rev. Dr. Craig Stephans

Standing

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 128)

The reader pauses after each bidding, and the people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.

Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer." For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For Steve, our Archbishop, and Alex, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, especially Bishop Abraham and Daruka Nhial in South Sudan and the New Wineskins for Global Missions Conference.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you, especially those working in business and finance.

Reader Lord, in your mercy: People **Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, especially those in the countries of Djibouti and Eritrea.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy: People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Your additional prayers are invited at this time.

Celebrant

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN (BCP p. 129)

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept. All say together

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.

Celebrant

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

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS (BCP p. 130)

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.	Matthew 11:28
God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.	John 3:16
The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.	1 Timothy 1:15
If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.	1 John 2:1-2
THE PEACE (<i>BCP</i> p. 131)	Standing

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

PARISH LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWER MEMORIAL

The altar greens are given to the glory of God.

THE OFFERTORY (BCP p. 131)

The people give their tithes and offerings as the bread and wine are prepared. Online donations may be made at ccasav.org or through Venmo @CCASAV.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM	"Lord Listen to Your Children Praying" Parish Choir and Choristers	Gospel Song arr. Ken Mederna
	r children praying. Lord, send Your spirit in this place. r children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us	grace.
when the people of the I The doors are gonna swi	en like the world has never known, Lord get down to pray. ng open, and the walls come atumblin' down, Lord get down to pray. (<i>Refrain</i>)	
And the people of the Le There's gonna be a new s	hen the Lord stretches out His hand, ord get down to pray. song of vict'ry in this land, Lord get down to pray. (R <i>efrain</i>)	

Celebrant

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People And of your own have we given you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (SURSUM CORDA) (BCP p. 132)

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And with your spirit.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

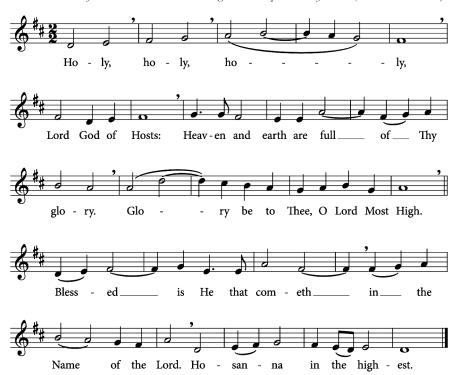
The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your 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 your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

All stand

Remain standing.



from Missa de Santa Maria Magdelena. Composer Healey Wilan (Canada:1880-1968)

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION (BCP p. 132-134)

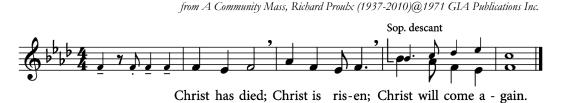
The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, 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, Jesus 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 forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 134)

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION (BCP p. 135)

Christ Mass, Mark K. Williams U.S.: 2012



THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP p. 135)

All say together

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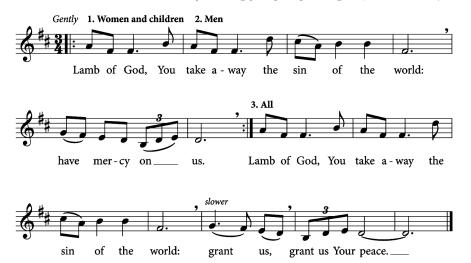
We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies.We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table;

but you are the same Lord

whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.



From Mass for the King of Glory, Betty Pulkingham (U.S.: 1928-2019)

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION (BCP p. 136)

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

We invite you to come forward to kneel or stand at the railing to receive Communion or a blessing in the following ways:

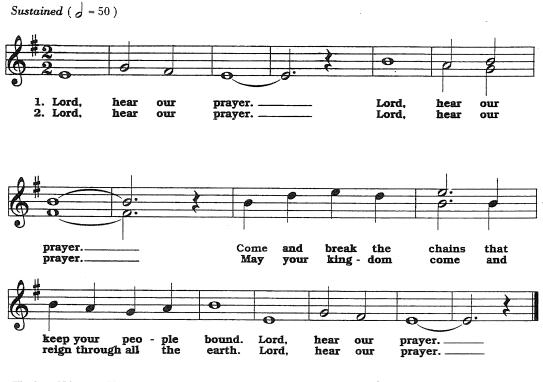
- All baptized Christians may receive both the bread and the wine by either eating the bread and drinking from the cup or by leaving the bread in your palm for the minister to take and intinct (dip) in the wine and place back in your palm for consumption.
- To receive only the bread, after you eat the bread cross your arms over your chest as the wine is offered.
- To receive a blessing without the bread and wine, come forward and cross your arms over your chest, and the minister will offer a prayer of blessing.
- If you are unable to come forward for Communion, inform an usher and the ministers will come to you.
- Gluten free wafers are available by request on the Epistle side of the altar near the Eagle lectern.

Intercessors are available for prayer in the corners of the nave.

COMMUNION MUSIC CHANGE

The congregation is invited to join in singing praise to God.		
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Lord, hear our prayer



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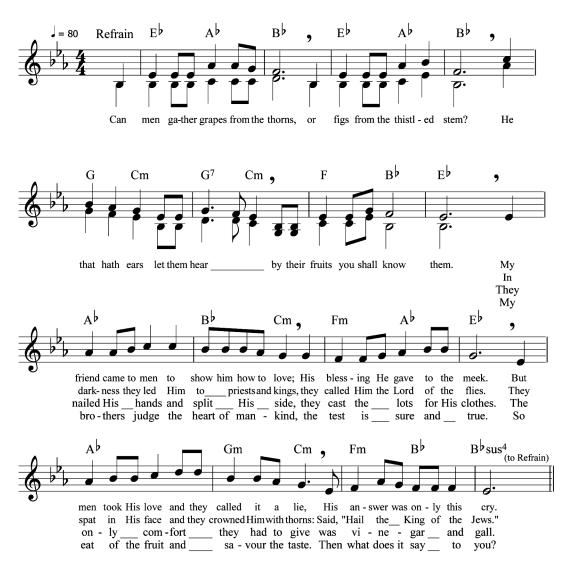
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By Their Fruits You Shall Know Them

(Lent or General)

Text: Jon Wilkes Based on Matthew 7:16

Music: Mark K. Williams (c) August 2024, Savannah, GA



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All the riches of his grace

Jan Harrington



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POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 137) All say together

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING (BCP p. 137)

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

PROCESSION OUT

"There Is A Wideness in God's Mercy"

Hymnal #466 Beecher

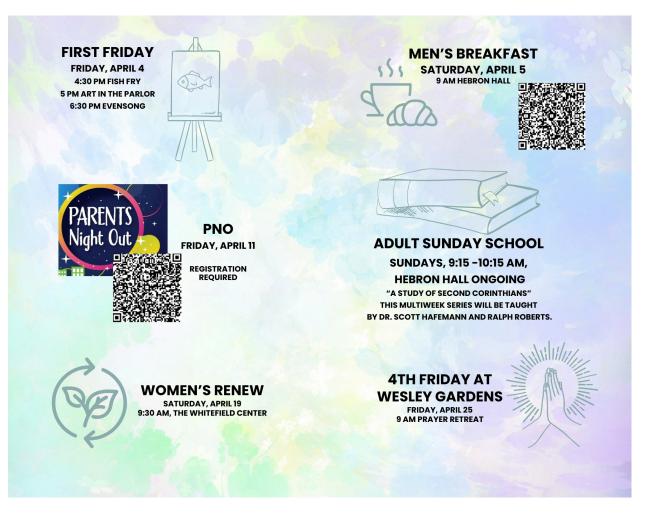
THE DISMISSAL (BCP p. 138)

DeaconLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



April Events



FISH FRY

A first for us! Friday April 4, The Feastmakers will be frying fish. Join us for an early dinner at 4:30 p.m. The menu will be fried fish (cod) with tartar sauce and lemon wedges, cheese grits, and cole slaw. \$2 per person.

Limited amount of fish will be available.

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 13

8 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST 10:15 AM, GATHER AT THOMAS SQUARE PARK 10:30 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST BEGINS IN THOMAS SQUARE PARK 8 PM, COMPLINE

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 17

7 PM, HOLY EUCHARIST & STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR NAVE OPEN FOR PRAYER AFTER THE SERVICE

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

NOON & 7 PM, GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 3 PM, STATIONS OF THE CROSS

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19

8 AM, HOLY SATURDAY SERVICE 8 PM, EASTER VIGIL

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20

8 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST 10:30 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST 8 PM, COMPLINE

REMINDER:

Easter Flower Memorials are due by close of business this Monday, March 31.

Forms are in the Narthex.



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Morning Prayer 8 AM: Monday - Saturday Evensong: 6:30 PM, First Friday of Each Month Sunday Worship: Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:30 AM, Compline 8 PM Office Hours: Monday - Thursday Noon - 5PM



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