



**SAINT
PAUL'S
EPISCOPAL
DAYTON·OH**

**THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 17, 2024, 10:00AM**

*As a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phone. The People's parts are in **bold**.*

Welcome to The Rev. Canon Michael Spencer as our Celebrant today.

Raised in a small town in Michigan, Michael graduated from Michigan State University and then served a term in the Episcopal Service Corps in Los Angeles. Upon his return to his home state, Michael was a human resources officer at Michigan State for eight years. While serving as a lay leader in Eastern Michigan, he served on the Commission on Ministry, the diocesan youth and young adult leadership team, and has served as a deputy to General Convention since 2009. After graduation from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Michael served his curacy at St. Christopher's in Grand Blanc and also served at an ELCA parish.

During his nine-year service on the staff of the Diocese of Eastern Michigan, Michael helped launch the multi-diocesan effort known as "Flyover Church," which is an effort to recruit clergy on the coasts to consider ministry in the heartland, and he convened a team of diocesan transition ministers to revive the practice of gathering all the transition ministers in the US once a triennium to engage in collegial relationship building and professional development.

Michael and his partner David are looking forward to continuing their interests in travel, homespun culinary arts, sacred choral music (amongst lots of other music), and providing a home for four-legged companions.

**PRELUDE: UBI CARITAS ET AMOR (WHERE DWELLETH CHARITY AND LOVE,
THERE GOD IS FOUND)** ARR. GERALD NEAR

HYMN #473

CRUCIFER

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Leader Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
People His mercy endures for ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Leader 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.**

KYRIE, HYMNAL #S85

Cantor or Choir *All*



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Cantor or Choir *All*



Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

Cantor or Choir *All*



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Music: Plainsong, Mode 3, Mass 16; adapt. Schola Antiqua, 1983. Rhythmic reconstruction: Copyright © 1983 Schola Antiqua, Inc. Used by permission.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Leader Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may

surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE: PSALM 51:1-13

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
 in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
 and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, *
 and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned *
 and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak *
 and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
 a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
 and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as they are able.

GOSPEL PROCESSION #441

RATHBUN

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 12:20-33

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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

HOMILY

THE REV. CANON MICHAEL SPENCER

All 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 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops; for this
gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of
all people.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in
prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.
Lord, show us the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

I ask your prayers for Dan T., Abby, Anna, Earl, Anne, Tom, Bob, and Emilee.
Lord, show us the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.
Lord, show us the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

Deacon The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour
Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us
confess our sins.

**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.**

ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE

Leader The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Please remain standing as the cross processes.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC: CHRISTUS FACTUS EST

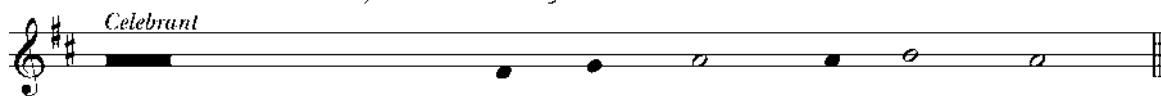
ANERIO

Translation

Jesus once for our salvation was crucified, suffered, and was buried.
Therefore God the Father hath exalted his Name; and his Name shall stand forever.
Over every other name, his Name shall stand for ever.

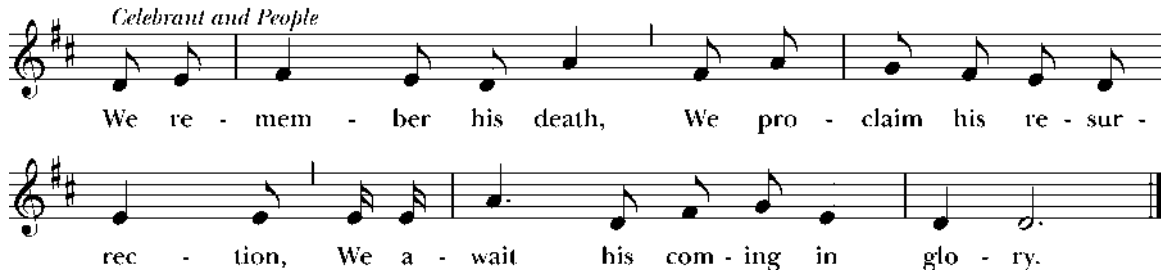
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION, HYMNAL #S138

Celebrant



Therefore, according to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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...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.

Celebrant *People*



A-men.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER, BCP, p. 364

FRACTION ANTHEM, HYMNAL #S161

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Taken them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

HYMN#166

PANGE LINGUA

All stand or kneel as they are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER, BCP, PG. 365

SOLEMN LENTEN PRAYER

Deacon Bow down before the Lord.
(the people kneel)

The Celebrant says the Prayer

HYMN #495

IN BABILONE

THE DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE: VERSO IN G MINOR

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY - MARCH 24TH, 10AM

TENEBRAE - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 7PM

MAUNDY THURSDAY - MARCH 28, 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 29 - 12:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31, 10AM

We ask your prayers for: Dan T., Abby, Anna, Earl, Anne, Tom, Bob, and Emilee.

And for those serving in the Armed Forces and Diplomatic Corps of our Country: John Sampson, Isaac Maze, Brandon Wood, F. David Geesler, Dylan Ferguson, Brett Griffin, Joshua Elliott, R.J. DaPrato, and Philip Pretzinger.

See list of Birthdays in the weekly email.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer—The Church in Wales.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer—Indian Hill Episcopal/Presbyterian, Indian Hill; Christ Church, Ironton; St. John's, Lancaster; and St. Patrick's, Lebanon.

The Altar Arrangements are given to the Glory of God.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Book Study & Dinner - Join us for a discussion of *Tarry Awhile*, our Lenten study book and simple supper. We meet on Wednesdays during Lent at 6pm for a simple dinner and discussion.

Join us on Palm Sunday, March 24, at 12:15pm in the church for a *Bach in the Subways* performance by our Music Director , Cara Geerlings, on piano and pipe organ. The concert will feature the music of Johann Sebastian Bach, and is part of an international effort to bring live classical music to the masses.

Seniors with Grace - The next gathering will be on Thursday, March 28th at 9:30am.

The next gathering of the **St. Paul's Women's Group** will take place at Eudora Brewing Company on **Tuesday, April 2, starting at 6:00pm**. All are welcome to meet for food, drinks, or both! There is no need to RSVP. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Cara Geerlings at cara@stpauls-dayton.org. We hope to see you there!

Easter Flowers - Would you like to remember, or give thanks for, a loved one this coming Easter season? Your donation to the altar Guild Sanctuary Fund for the Easter flowers that will adorn the altar area is greatly appreciated (\$40 suggested minimum) The name of the loved one you would like to honor/remember will also be included in the Easter bulletins. **Please respond by this Wednesday, March 20** in one of several ways.

1. Mail donation and names to be honored/remembered to the church. Put "Easter Flowers" in the notes.
2. Visit stpauls-dayton.org. Click the *Giving* button in the top right corner and complete the form. Remember to select *Flowers Easter*. Indicate the name(s) in the Notes section. (*First-time users will need to create an account. There is a 3% service charge for this service.*)
3. Pick up an envelope in the cloister and complete or email altarguild@stpauls-dayton.org with the name(s) of your loved one(s).

Reception Classes - Those who desire to be received into the Episcopal Church during our May 12, 2024 visitation from the Bishop should contact Mike Miller at m.miller3309@gmail.com. These classes are held in the library and will be on April 14th and April 28th beginning at 4pm.

The remaining **Confirmation classes** will be April 14, and April 28, in the library at 4pm.

Mark your calendars for a special evening at St. Paul's! Irish Spring, Saturday, April 13th from 6pm - 10pm. Enjoy Ceili dancing and traditional Irish food in the Parish Hall. More information to follow.

More news on the St. Paul's App and at www.stpauls-dayton.org.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WELCOME!

We're glad you're here today! Your presence — in person, or online — with us is a blessing. We invite you to participate in worship, say the prayers, sing the songs, and introduce yourself. You'll find a visitor card in the pew back in front of you. We're so excited to meet you.

Communion Instructions - *All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please proceed to the front of the church to the kneelers. Standing or kneeling, place one palm in the other to receive the host. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Communicants who wish to receive from the Common Cup may intinct or drink directly from the Chalice. Those who would like a blessing are invited to cross their arms over their chest, and a member of the Clergy will say a blessing.*

WORSHIP TIMES

10:00 am - Sung Service with Hymns
(also available online)

Morning Prayer: Tuesday & Friday at 9:30 am

GROW! - 2nd & 4th Sunday every month at 5pm

Office hours: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday – Thursday
9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Friday

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