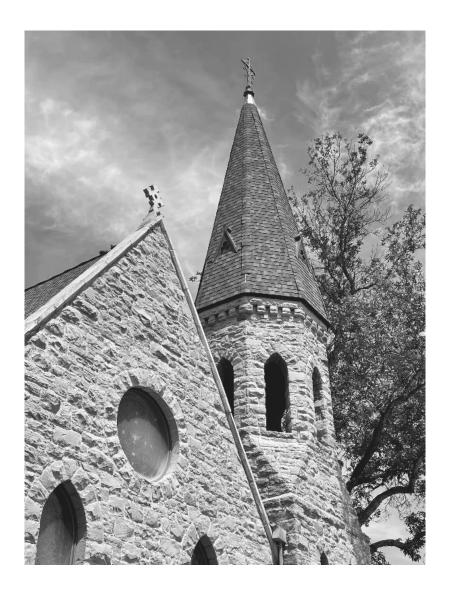


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ALL ARE WELCOME! Fifth Sunday in Lent March 17th, 2024 9:30 a.m.

We acknowledge that our church is on the historical Common Hunting Ground of the Pend d'Oreille, Salish, Blackfeet, Gros Ventre, Shoshone, Bannock, Nez Perce, Cheyenne, Arapahoe, and Crow Tribes.

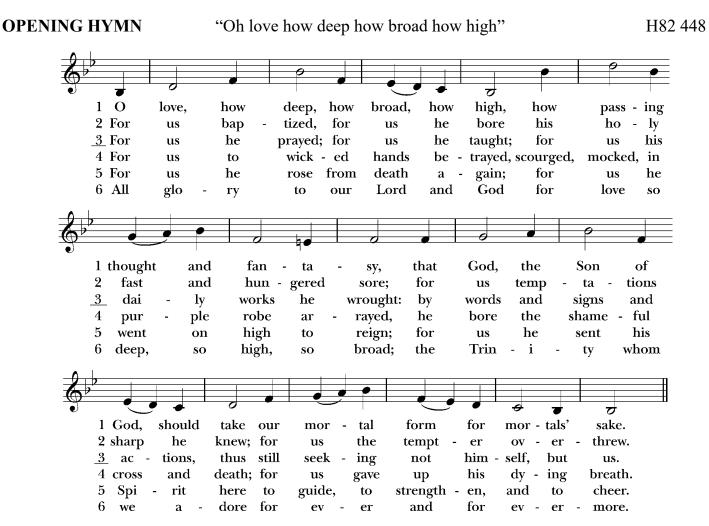
THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

"Meditation on the Cross"

Mary McDonald

WELCOME (please stand, as you are able)



OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures forever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant 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.**

THE FIRST LESSON

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

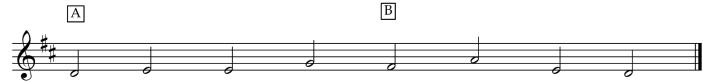
the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 51

Sung by the choir, all are invited to join



- **A 1** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- **B 2** Wash me through and through from my **wickedness** and cleanse me from my **sin.**
- **A 3** For I know my trans**gressions**, and my sin is ever **before me**.
- **B 4** Against you only have I **sinned** and done what is evil in your **sight.**
- A 5 And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.
- **B** 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mothers womb.
- **A 7** For behold, you look for truth deep within me, and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- **B 8** Purge me from my sin, and I shall be **pure**; wash me, and I shall be clean in**deed**.
- A 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- **B 10** Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- A 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
- A 12 Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- **B 13** Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful **Spirit**.

THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

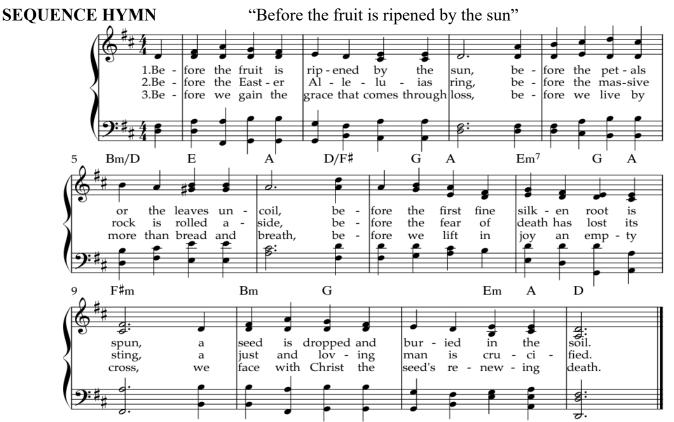
"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever,

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.

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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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

THE SERMON The Rev. D. Greg Smith

THE NICENE CREED (please stand, as you are able)

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

My siblings: wait patiently for the Lord. Trusting our merciful God to hear us, we pray, "Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call; have mercy on us and answer us."

Almighty God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us citizens of your heavenly kingdom. Show us your ways, O Lord, and give us the strength to stand firm. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

Have mercy on us and answer us.

Forgive us, gracious God, for the violence and anger in our own hearts. Open our ears and hearts to listen to your prophets and heed their call to repentance. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call; **Have mercy on us and answer us.**

We long, O God, to behold your fair beauty. Open our eyes to the beauty all around us. Inspire our hearts to sing out and make music to you. You may share your thanksgivings, silently or aloud. Harken

to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

Have mercy on us and answer us.

We pray, O God, for all those who have no place to call home. In their day of trouble keep them safe in your shelter; hide them in your dwelling. May they find housing in this life and find their home in your heart forever. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

Have mercy on us and answer us.

Lord Jesus, you desire to gather your children as a hen gathers her brood under her wings. Be the light and salvation of those who are lost and alone. May all in need know your goodness and mercy. We pray for all those in need of your care, and all those whose souls have returned to you. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

Have mercy on us and answer us.

Lord Jesus, in the fullness of time make all things subject to yourself and transform us, with all your saints, that at the last we might be conformed to your glorious likeness. Hearken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

Have mercy on us and answer us.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus

Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in

eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

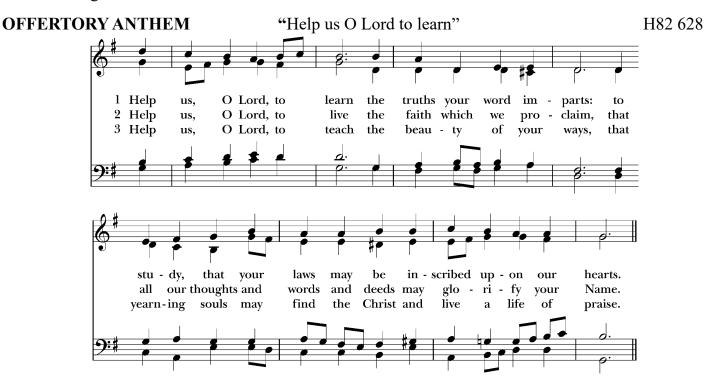
Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS, TRAVELERS, AND ANNIVERSARIES

Lord God our times are in your hand; look with favor we pray on your servants, surround them with your love and care, protect them from every danger, keep them safe in the knowledge of your love. This we ask through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



While the table is being set, your financial gifts will be received by the ushers. **Please stand as the monetary offering is brought forward**

We ask that you do not intinct (dip your wafer into the chalice). Communion is complete in one kind if you prefer not to receive the chalice.

If you do not wish to receive the bread or wine, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharist Prayer A (Book of Common Prayer)

(Please remain standing, as able)

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant We praise you and bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, 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:

SANCTUS "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" S124



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.**

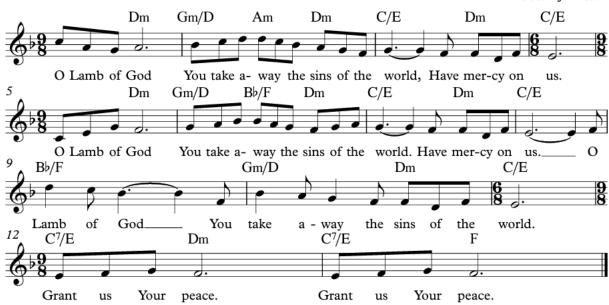
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant People

And now, let us sing the prayer that makes us one: (sing together) As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray, Celebrant and People Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as ***••••** Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the power, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Words and Music Susan Johnston



Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God





POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray together

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Celebrant May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ. May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit **Amen**



THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "Toccata Regale" Anthony Giamanco

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO ALL OF OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS! Please take a few minutes to fill out a Welcome Card located in the pew racks near the aisle. We look forward to getting to know you a little better and telling you about all of the wonderful things happening at St. James!

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

We have a hearing assist system at St. James that is compatible with hearing aids with an inductive loop, hearing aids with an app (see usher for help connecting to app), or those who just need a little extra volume with an around the neck device and headphones.

CHILDREN'S FORMATION

Children are invited to join our awesome volunteer teachers in the Todd Center during worship each week. Our classroom focuses on the needs of children from PreK to 8th grade, but older and younger children may join--just check with the teachers at drop off. To update our records, we're asking all families to please fill out a registration form here: bit.ly/stjameskids

COFFEE HOUR

- Let's Be Friends! St. James parish members host a coffee hour after the service. The goal of having a coffee hour is to get to know each other, to make new friends, and reconnect with old friends
- Coffee Hour Hosts. If you would like to help host a coffee hour, or have questions about the coffee hours, please contact Nancy Winget at nwinget27@gmail.com. Thank you for considering this request!
- Coffee Hour Refreshment/Supplies. If you have refreshments/supplies for coffee hours, please contact us at 406-586-9039 or sj5westolive@gmail.com. We are happy to receive them on Sundays in the parish hall or during the week in the parish office.

EVERY SUNDAY HEALING PRAYERS – Every Sunday during communion, prayers are available at the Olive St. entrance (in the narthex).

PRAYER SHAWLS – If you know of someone who would be blessed by receiving a St. James prayer shawl, please feel free to take one from the rack at the front doors of the church.

CONTACT PERSON FOR PASTORAL CARE

Ray Ross is the new contact person for all things pastoral care (ex: hospital visits, home visits, eucharistic ministers). Ray's cell number is 406-599-6991, and email is Rayross555@me.com. Please share names with Ray so we can assemble an up-to-date list.

TO SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST TO THE ST. JAMES CIRCLE OF PRAYER:

Please e-mail Vicki Van Rensselaer at terracecoast@aol.com. (Email only!)

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Mon, Mar 18th

Tue, Mar 19th 7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous in the Todd Center

Wed, Mar 20th

Thu, Mar 21st 6:30 p.m. BSA Venture scouts

7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous in the Todd Center

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Fri, Mar 22nd

Sat. Mar 23rd 3:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sun, Mar 24th 9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms

9:15 a.m. Palm Sunday Parade

9:45 a.m. Palm Sunday Liturgy (approximate start time)

THOSE IN SERVICE

Rector: The Rev. Rowan Larson

Music: The Rev. Connie Campbell-Pearson, Cameron King, St James Choir,

Acolyte: Ty Sherwood

Readers: Frances Graham, Peggy Jensen

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Nauman

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