

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



CELEBRATION SERVICE THE HOLY EUCHARIST—RITE II

**The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 17, 2024**

10:45 A.M.

*You are welcomed whether you are a guest or a member,
and we invite you to join us in our worship of God.*

*If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please introduce yourself to our clergy following the service.
We also invite you to please take a moment to sign our Guest Book which can be found at the Welcome
Center. This Service Bulletin contains all that you will need to worship with us this morning.*

*If you have a prayer request, please write it in the book that is located at the prayer desk just outside the back
of the sanctuary.*

*Please note that this worship service will be recorded and live streamed.
If you wish, you may remain out of the camera's view by sitting in the Chapel (stained glass window area.)
We want to honor and respect your privacy.*

As you enter please pick up a "Confession Stone" located in the Narthex.

Blessed Lent and Welcome to St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church!

We pray that as you worship here during this Lenten season you will join us in praising God.

The word Lent comes from the old English word “lencten” which means lengthening or “Springtime.” Lent is not only a forty-day season that focuses on the story of Jesus’ passion and death, but rather, Lent is a *journey of conversion*, a passage of a people who have been forever marked by the story’s end—Jesus’ passion, death and resurrection. Originally, the forty days of Lent were understood as the final stage of preparation for those called to baptism and also as a time for reconversion for those already baptized. Thus, we undertake the Lenten journey, as did ancient pilgrims before us, in the company of others. We mark the steps of our journey by gathering each week to evangelize and be evangelized, that is, to hear the story of Jesus set next to our life stories.

One will notice the restrained atmosphere during the Lenten season at St. Augustine’s as seen in the liturgy and vestments, and even heard in the music. By “scaling back” our normal celebrative Sunday experience we seek to focus our attention during this penitential season of the year on what is essential to our faith and salvation. Indeed, to emphasize prayer during this season we hearken to an ancient tradition observed by our Jewish brothers and sisters, by creating a sackcloth “Wailing Wall” behind the altar where each week we will place our “Prayer Ropes” which are a visible and tangible expression of the prayers and intercessions of the congregation.

I invite you to participate in worship today as you feel comfortable. You will find St. Augustine’s to be that place where you will receive a radical WELCOME, experience thought-provoking and inspiring WORSHIP, and meet other disciples of Jesus ready and willing to WITNESS to all that God is doing!

If this is your first time in the Episcopal Church, everything you need to follow worship is in this Worship Guide. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask anyone around you for help.

I hope to meet you before or after worship but just in case I do not, please fill out the attendance sheet in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate so we can connect with you.

Again, a Holy Lent to you and your family.

Blessings,

Fr. Joseph C. Alsay +

Rector

+ THE GATHERING RITE +

Voluntary: “Highland Cathedral”

Traditional

Welcome and Announcements

See Insert

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We are an enthusiastically welcoming and inviting Christian community committed to the unity of all people with God through Christ.

DECLARACIÓN DE NUESTRA MISIÓN

Somos una comunidad Cristiana que da la bienvenida con entusiasmo y acogedor, comprometida con la unidad de toda la gente con Dios a través de Cristo.

Sacred Silence

At this time you are invited to reflect, meditate, pray, or engage in other silent activity.

At the sounding of the shofar, please stand and face the entrance.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

Invitation to Confession

The Sh'ma is chanted in Hebrew, then the Summary of the Law is given.

Presider Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.” *Mark 12: 29-31*

Please kneel.

Kyrie Confession

Scott Chard

Deacon Lord, your son Jesus emptied himself for us. Forgive us when we are full of ourselves.

People **Lord, have mercy.**



Lord have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

Deacon Lord, your son Jesus proclaimed liberty to captives. Forgive our fear and failure in sharing our faith.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

All Sing **REFRAIN**

Deacon Lord, your son Jesus came bringing reconciliation. Forgive us when we cling to our resentments.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**
 All Sing **REFRAIN**

Absolution

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.**

Please stand.

During the singing of the Gathering Song the congregation is invited to follow the Ministers of the Liturgy to the front of the Nave and cast their "Confession Stones" into the dried baptismal font.

Gathering Song: "Trisagion"

S. Chard

Ho-ly God Ho-ly and might - y, Ho-ly im-mor-tal One. Ho-ly
 God Ho-ly and might - y, Ho-ly im-mor-tal One. Have
 mer-cy, have mer-cy, have mer-cy up-on us. Have
 mer-cy have mer-cy, have mer-cy up-on us.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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 LITURGY OF THE WORD +

Please be seated.

Children's Moment

After the Children's Moment, the children in the third grade and under are invited to follow the "Lenten cross" and attend Children's Chapel. They will return during the Peace.

Children's Sending Prayer

O loving God, we release our children to a time of Children's Chapel as they explore their faith through sharing of Bible stories. Be with them in the sacred time of wonder and prayer. May they sense both your constant presence and your love. In Jesus' holy name we pray. Amen.

The Lesson: Hebrews 5:5-10

Lector A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Please stand

Gospel Acclamation: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah ”

Words: *William Williams*
Music: *Cum Rhondda, John Hughes*

Guide me O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious
bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion
hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of heav - en,
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
lead me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,
bread of heav - en, feed me now and ev - er -
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to
more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee.

Please remain standing.

Holy Gospel: John 12:20-33

Deacon 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.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

The Reverend Dr. James Detrich

Moment of Silence

After the sermon we will observe a moment of “sacred silence” for meditation.

Please stand.

Creed: The Apostles’ Creed



I be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, ma - ker of all heav'n and earth
Suf - fered un - der Pon - tious Pi - late, cru - ci - fied for me He died.
At God's right hand He is seat - ed 'til his com - ing as He said.
I be - lieve the church of Je - sus u - ni - ver - sal e'er re - mains.



and in Je - sus Christ our Sa - vior, God's own Son of match - less worth.
Laid with - in the grave so si - lent, gates of hell He o - pened wide.
Fin - al judge - ment will be me - ted to the liv - ing and the dead.
We are one through all the a - ges in com - mu - nion of the saints.



By the Spi - rit was con - ceiv - ed, of the Vir - gin Ma - ry born,
For the stone - sealed tomb was emp - ty, on the third day He a - rose,
I con - fess the Ho - ly Spi - rit, who was sent through Christ the Son
I be - lieve sins are for - giv - en, that our bo - dies will be raised



He in whom I have be - liev - ed, God Al - migh - ty, Three in One.
in - to heav - en made his en - try, migh - ty con - quer'r of his foes.
to ap - ply sal - va - tion's mer - it: God the Spi - rit, Three in One.
to e - ter - nal life in glo - ry, ev - er let his name be praised.

Prayers of the People

During the season of Lent, we invite you to offer your prayers and petitions by tying knots in the ropes provided at the end of each row. After you have tied your knots, please pass the rope down the row to your neighbor.

During communion, we ask that one person in each row place the rope on the altar.

Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

+ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARISTIC MEAL +

Please be seated.

Offertory Prayer for Lent

God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience, sustain us on our way, lead us to your glory and accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

During the “Offering in Song,” please sign the Canterbury Connection Cards in the service bulletin and kindly drop it in the wicker basket with your offering.

*To submit your offerings electronically, text the amount you would like to give to 405-645-6608 or go to “bit.ly/GiveSAC” in your browser and follow the instructions.
Thank You.*

Offering in Song: “There Is a Reason”

Alison Krauss

Please stand.

Presentation Song: “The Glory of These Forty Days”

Erhalt uns

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are: The glo - ry of these for - ty days we O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to cel - e - brate with songs of praise; for Christ through whom all thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold things were made him - self has fast - ed and has prayed. Name a - dored, from age to age the on - ly Lord.

Please remain standing.

Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please stand or kneel.

Eucharistic Prayer D

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who minister in your church, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, Poulson our Bishop, and all bishops; Joseph and James our priests, Mary Ann our deacon, and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all those on our church prayer lists in their need, supplication, or thanksgivings.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, especially and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Saint Augustine of Canterbury and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.**

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

**Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.**

**No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.**

**Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.**

Breaking of the Bread

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Distribution

*All Baptized are invited to receive the Holy Meal at the Lord's Table.
For Communion, come forward as the ushers release you from your seat.
If you wish to receive the bread dipped in wine, please receive a napkin from an usher.
The bread will be dipped in the wine for you by one of the clergy, then placed on the napkin.
After consuming the bread, please place the napkin in one of the wicker receptacles.
If you wish to drink from the cup, please proceed to one of the two chalice bearers to the far ends.
Continue down the outside aisle to return to your seat.
Please note that gluten-free bread is available for those who request it.
Kindly let the usher know if you need the clergy to bring the bread to you.
If you wish to only receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

Communion Meditation: "Meditation on Psalm 51"
"Kind Maker of the World"

*Scott Chard
Text: Gregory the Great
Music: A la venue de Noel*

+ THE SENDING RITE +

Please stand or kneel.

Post-Communion Prayer

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.

Solemn Prayer over the People

Deacon Bow down before the Lord.
Presider Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: "Trumpet Recessional"

Alfred Fedak

You are cordially invited to the Commons Area for refreshments following the service, so that we may get to know you.

We invite those who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries, or who have other special needs, to gather in the side chapel after the service.

Birthday & Anniversary Blessing

DOK Let us pray.
People **Watch over thy children, O Lord as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

+PRAYER LIST+

Cycle of Prayer: *St. David's, Oklahoma City St. Augustine of Canterbury, Montevideo, Uruguay*

For those with medical issues and other needs or concerns: *Maxine Grayson, Collin Wilbur, Debra Greene Jolly, Erlinda Layman, John Wehr, Megan Posey, JonEvah Murray, Cornerstone Counseling and Consulting, Breanna Troutman, Shary Weis, Bill Landis, Reggie Ekins, Kris Wade, Mahogany Brown, Lynn England, Jim Davidson, Anita Kirkpatrick, Angela & Ron Cochran, Judy Spencer, Ann Merritt, Sandy and Bill Hodges, Evelyn Wehr, Bill Collins, Richard Stuhr, Jim Emig, Lee Johnson, Edith Kenney, Evelyn Thrower, Bill Kerr, Judy Reeder, Steve Bauer, Robby Housh, Wyatt Didamo, Barbara Traylor-Lane, Valerie Lewis, Camilla Manning, Philip Worrell, Bill Johnson, Scott Mills, Tess Wade, Michael Parks, Allen Weaver, Kermit Jones, Inna Jones, Ricardo Estrada, Tatiana Velasquez Chicas, Brandi Eaton-Wiles, Charlotte Cascio, Baby Jack, Leah Brashear, Martha Leary, Marina Jones, Julissa Estrada, Jaime Mizael Fuentes, Rachel, Sean Acol, Damian Wiles, Melvin Jones, Luz Estrada, Sebastian Weaver, Priscilla, Jack Stephens, Patty, Patrick Hays, Jonathon and Alyse, Faith, Evelyn Wehr, Sharon and Don Bole, Neil Ray, Ricky and Eta Womack, Whitney Mayfield, Dobi, Rusty, Cathy, Lee, Pamela, Steve Gilman, Deyanira Gudino, Melissa Nelson, Lazaro Gudino, Antonia Dueñaz, Susan, John, Edward, William, Matt, London Golson, Nelson Family, Pamela Riley, Jenny Westerhoff, Antonia Dueñaz, Cason Montgomery, Sherry Ziska, Lizardo Gudino, Randy Birchall, Sara Cedillo Guerrero, Nancy Van Horn, Isabel Mora, Daniel & Charlene Spears, Lula Hernandez, Sergio Lopez, Naomi Gudino, James Quinn, Dawn W. Cash, AimeeAnn Vanek, Josh Eliot, Turner Cash, Jason Eliot, Traci Eliot, Karen West, Iranice Tavares, Anil B., MaryAnn Rule, Courtney McNatty, Mark Ackerman, WB, Lois Muran, The Goforth Family, Fred Winters, Marsha Cayton, Mark, Coby Martinez*

For those in the military: *Rick Narvaiz, Colby Gibson, J.R. Singleton, Bryce Singleton, Parker Singleton, Joshua Westmoreland, Megan Weimer, Ryan Natale, Rylee Natale, Brody Campbell, Justin Jones, Christopher Rosentreter, Sam Carter, Caleb Mitchell, Aaron Long, Terry Caraway, Reed Hall, Zach Renfro, Rev. Octavia Lindsey, McKenna McCullough, Noel Puryear, Simon Liszeski, Keaton Latner, Kaleigh Hensch, Kayleigh Henson, Freddie Kegler, Jay Jordan, William VanSant, Nick Coleman, Rebecka Blaire, Stephen Liszeski, Ted Liszeski, Kyle Belt, Andrew Stienl, James Roberts, John Andrews, Thomas Andrews, Chase Biel Weishaupt, Perry Harding, Nate Phillips, Ashley Adkins, Matt Lake, Derek Wolf, Jefferson C, our troops at home and abroad and their families.*

For those who have died: *Autumn Goforth, Jacob Lunsford Hall, Chris "Beto" Martinez*

Birthdays this week: *Reba Menzer, Anthony Conroy, Jan Hunter, Tuesday Jones, Gretchen Johnson, Renee Lewis, Kaylon Quigley, Matthew McSpadden*

Anniversaries this week: *Lester and LeeAnn Cowden, Jerry and Georgia Scribner, Frank and Genie Stone*



+ THE LENTEN CROSS +

The Processional Cross used during the Lenten season was created by Bruce Scambler and took some 100 hours to make. The cross has a great deal of symbolism in its design. It is over seven feet tall and incorporates 12 different woods to represent the twelve disciples and the “various ethnicities represented at St. Augustine’s.”

The woods used in the vertical upright include: 110 year old Redwood from the family barn, Ebony, American Oak, Crepe Myrtle, Pine, Beech, Horse-chestnut, Walnut, Pecan, Cedar and Hickory. On one side of the upright are five carved hearts which represent the wounds of Christ. These “hearts” also represent our commitment to be an inclusive faith organization to those of the LGBTQ communities.

The horizontal crossbeam was made from 25-year-old driftwood excavated from the mud at Lake Texhoma. If one looks closely at the crossbeam, you will notice the abstract design of the “Hands of Christ” in agony. Finally, at the top of the cross is a “secret compartment” where the names of congregation members are placed during the season of Lent.

+ THIS IS OUR STORY +

The Great Vigil of Easter on the evening of Holy Saturday is arguably the primary service of Easter worship (and is the only Easter service in many Orthodox churches). At the service’s beginning, the church is in darkness as a lingering reminder of the stripping of the altar on Good Friday. The new fire is then lit and blessed with Holy Water and incense. From this fire, the Paschal candle is lit. The celebrant takes a knife and symbolically cuts a cross on the candle. Then, above and below the cross, he cuts the Greek letters Alpha and Omega. The celebrant then cuts the four numbers of the current year. Five nails, each bearing a bit of incense, are dipped in the fire and then, symbolizing the five wounds of Christ on the cross, placed on the candle. The Deacon then carries the lit Paschal Candle through the nave, pausing thrice to chant, “The Light of Christ”, in ever higher tones (the congregation responds each time, “Thanks be to God”), until the candle arrives at the altar and is placed in its stand and censed. During this procession, the candles of the congregants are lit from the Paschal candle until the church is ablaze with the new light of Christ. The Exultet is then sung recalling all of the glorious events of church history leading up to this celebration. During the Gloria, bells, brought by the congregants from their homes, are enthusiastically rung. The Services of Light, Lessons, Baptism, and Eucharist then continue to unfold to complete the service.

If you have a liturgical question or an inquiry about anything that transpires during or around our worship service, please forward the question you would like researched to: gghaas@aol.com. Please note whether we can credit you as the source of the question.

+ MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

Today, Sunday, March 17, 2024 at 10:45 a.m. – The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Presider: The Reverend Joseph Alsay

Assisting Priest and Preacher: The Reverend Dr. James Detrich

Deacon: The Reverend Mary Ann Coffman

Lenten Crucifers: Members of The Vestry

Acolytes: Amy Hinojosa and Alex Womack

Lector: Bill Kenney

Eucharistic Ministers: Boyd Maser, Jay Welsh, and Judy Moon

Oblation Bearers: James and Laurie Reeg

Staff Musicians: Scott Chard, Guy Nembhard, and Sarah Hunsucker

Organist and Pianist: Patrick Hayes

Greeters: Claudia Rios– Estrada and Reiko Osumi

Ushers: Mike Hall and Marcy Taber

Altar Guild: Patsy Hollingsworth and Janet Wells

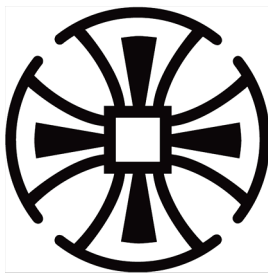
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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday – Holy Eucharist – 8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.

Wednesday – Holy Eucharist – 12 Noon

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Clerk: Renee Lewis

OFFICE HOURS

To offer our staff a Sabbath, the St. Augustine business offices are closed on Mondays, with staff available remotely for urgent matters. Ministry Leaders are welcome to access the building independently with their key, as needed.

Father Joseph Alsay, Rector

Tuesday -Thursday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Father James Detrich, Part-Time Assisting Priest

Wednesday 9:00 AM. - 1:00 PM

Coleen Christian, Admin Assistant

Tuesday -Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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