

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 30, 2025 8:00 & 10:30 AM

Service items listed in red are found in the red Book of Common Prayer. Hymns, listed in blue, are found in the blue Hymnal.

The Word of God

8:00 am

The Opening Sentence (*Stand at the bell*)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: His mercy endureth for ever.

Hymn 411: O bless the Lord, my soul! (v. 1 & 2)

The Collect for Purity

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The Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Reading

Joshua 5: 9–12

The Psalm (*see insert*)

Psalm 32

The Gospel

Luke 15: 1–3, 11b–32

The Sermon

The Reverend Canon Thomas J. Rasnick

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People - Form VI

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The Peace

The Offertory Sentence & Offertory

The Doxology

(Tune: Old 100th)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow

The Great Thanksgiving

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The Proper Preface

Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast;

The Holy, Holy, Holy and Blessed is He

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The Lord's Prayer

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The Communion of the People

Post Communion Prayer

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Hymn 690: Guide me, O thou great Jehovah (v. 1 & 2)

Postlude: Out of the Depths I cry to you

Max Drischner (1891–1971)

10:30 am

The Opening Sentence (*Stand at the bell*)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

Hymn 411: O bless the Lord, my soul!

The Collect for Purity

Kyrie eleison

(S 86 Hurd)

The Collect of the Day

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 Reading

Joshua 5: 9–12

The Psalm (*see insert*)

Psalm 32

Sequence Hymn 686: Come, thou fount of every blessing

The Gospel

Luke 15: 1–3, 11b–32

The Sermon

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The Prayers of the People - Form VI

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The Peace

Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem

Gerre Hancock (1934–2012)

Deep river

The Doxology

(Tune: Old 100th)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow

The Great Thanksgiving

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Eucharistic Prayer A

Proper Preface

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast;

The Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

(S 124 Hurd)

The Communion Anthem

Harold Darke (1888–1976)

Agnus Dei (from Communion Service in E)

10:30 am Holy Communion continued

Communion Hymns:

343: *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

469: *There's a wideness in God's mercy*

The Post Communion Prayer

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Hymn 690: *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

Postlude: *Out of the Depths I cry to you*

Max Drischner (1891-1971)

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Flowers & Anthems

The flowers in the Church are given to the glory of God in honor of Susan Bolt on her birthday by Patrick, Michelle, Bayless, Brandon, Alex, and Taylor Bolt.

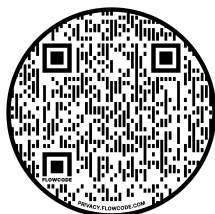
AND

In celebration of Sally Gouffon's many years of service as St. John's volunteer wedding coordinator by her family.

The offertory anthem is given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the talents and service of Jason Overall and Eunjin Choi by James Newburn.

Lay Ministries

8:00 Usher	John Melnick
8:00 Lay Reader / Chalice Bearer	Chris Copelan
8:00 Acolyte	Rusty Russell
Ushers	John Felton, Ryan Anderson, Norvell Burrow Taylor Preston, Lisa Rottmann
Greeter	David Wilds
Lay Reader / Chalice Bearer	Chuck Atchley
Lector / Chalice Bearer	Jarrett Vance
Chalice Bearer	Bob Sullivan
Crucifer	Bill Hackett
Thurifer	Oliver DeAlejandro
Verger	Stu Sprouse
Acolytes	Tom Hackett, Beatrice & Henry DeAlejandro, & Stuart Sanders
Safety	Matt Carr
Altar Guild	Candy Brownlow & Team
Flower Guild	Mary Hugh Bedinger & Team



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more information available at www.stjohnscathedral.org

Today at the Cathedral

- 9:15 am Nursery Opens - ages newborn to 4 yrs. old - 2nd Floor
- 9:15 am Coffee, Cards, & Conversation - MS & HS Youth-2nd Floor
- 9:30 am Lenten Pop- Up: Centering Prayer - Rm 7
- 9:30 am Lectionary Bible Study - Rm 9, Bottom Floor
- 10:30 am S.K.i.P. Children's Church - 4 yrs. old & up - 2nd Floor
- 11:30 am Cookies, & Coffee - Ross Hall

Lenten Pop-Up Experience: Centering Prayer

Today at 9:30 am. - Room 7

Each Sunday during the Lenten season we will offer a Pop-Up opportunity to experience one of our weekday spiritual practice opportunities on Sunday morning. Today at 9:30 am Heather Stagg will host and lead Centering Prayer in room 7 at 9:30 am. This is a great time to experience this practice and learn more.

Downtown Lenten Services with Lunch

Wednesdays during Lent at 12 Noon

Celebrate Lent with the downtown Knoxville faith community! The annual Lenten Lunches offer a time for reflection, worship, and fellowship. Join for a 12 Noon service and stay for lunch as we journey through this sacred season together.

Wed. April 2nd St. John's Episcopal Cathedral
Wed. April 9th Church of the Immaculate Conception

New Director of Youth and Children's Ministries

We are excited to introduce a new member of the St. John's Cathedral Team. Paige Licata has joined us as the new Director of Youth and Children's Ministries. Paige brings a wealth of experience and training with her Doctoral work in Educational Psychology and Research, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Child Development, Emotional Intelligence, and Lifespan Development. You will immediately recognize her joyful spirit as she cares for and journeys with our Children and Youth and guides our S.K.i.P. and Nursery Teams. Please introduce yourself to Paige and join us in warmly welcoming her to the St. John's family. A special thank you to the Chapter members and parents who participated in the interviewing / hiring process.

Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday Services

Sunday, April 13th 8:00 & 10:30 am

Labyrinth Walk or Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, April 16th 6:00 pm

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, April 17th 6:00 pm

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 18th 12 Noon

The Reading

Joshua 5: 9–12

A reading from Joshua

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

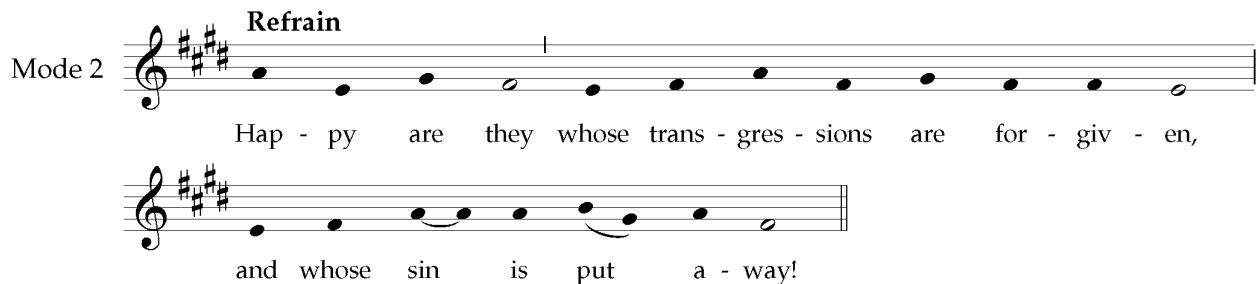
Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Psalm 32

8:00: The Psalm is read in unison by ALL (disregard the Refrain)

10:30: The refrain is sung by all before the Psalm and repeated as indicated. The choir chants the verses.



from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

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| 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away! | 8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance. |
| 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile! REFRAIN | REFRAIN |
| 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long. | 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you
should go; *
I will guide you with my eye. |
| 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. REFRAIN | 10 Do not be like horse or mule,
which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you." REFRAIN |
| 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt. | 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD. |
| 6 I said, "I will confess my
transgressions to the LORD." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. | 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart. REFRAIN |
| 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you
in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow,
they shall not reach them. | |

The Gospel
Luke 15: 1–3, 11b–32

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke:

8:00 am People: GLORY BE TO THEE, O LORD.

10:30 am People: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: Jesus said, “There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate. “Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: PRAISE BE TO THEE, O CHRIST.

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People: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Offertory Anthem: *Deep river* (Gerre Hancock)

Deep River, my home is over Jordan
I want to cross over into campground

Oh, don't you want to go, to the gospel feast
That promised land, where all, is peace

Oh, deep River, Lord,
I want to cross over into campground

Communion Anthem: *Agnus Dei* (Harold Darke)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.