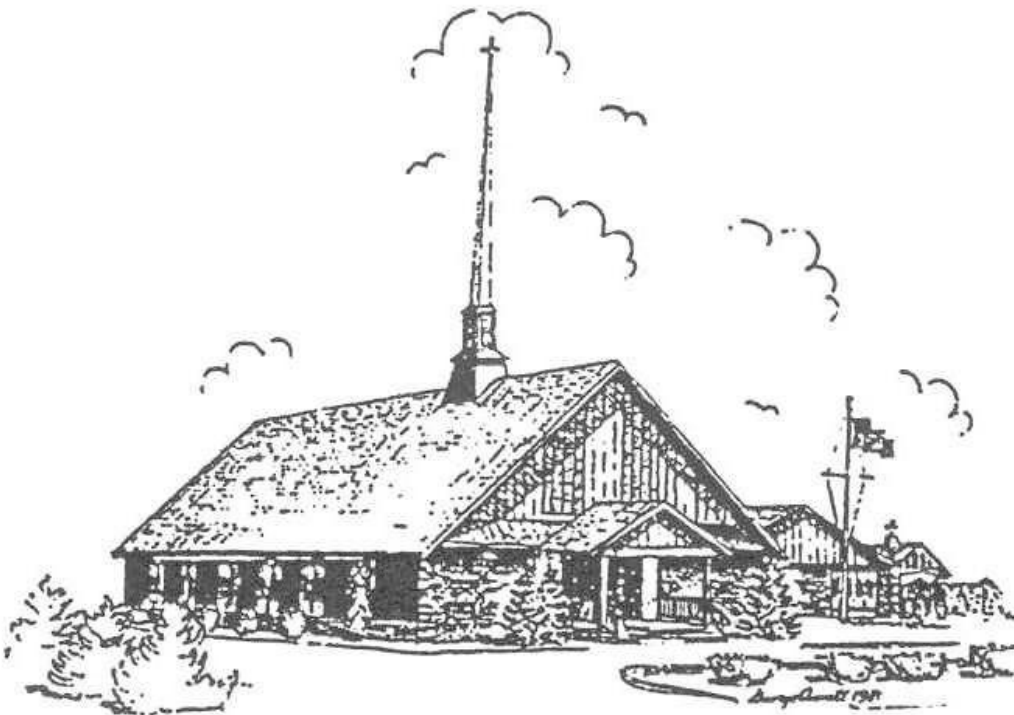


The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

The Fifth Sunday in Lent



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents

06 April, 2025 ~ 9:30 AM

Welcome! In The Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. **BCP** means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book). You'll find the BCP and Hymnals in the pew rack in front of you.

Prelude *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* arr. Lowell Mason
Please use this time for quiet prayer and contemplation

Parish Notices

Entrance Hymn #495 *Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus* IN BABILONE

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

The Celebrant may read the following sentence

Hear what our Lord Jesus saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. Matthew 22:37-40

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. (*Kneel or Sit*)

Silence may be kept

Minister and People:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Priest, stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *People Amen.*

S91 Kyrie (*all sing*)

Lord Have Mercy Upon Us

Healey Willan

THE WORD OF GOD

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *People Amen.*

The First Lesson (*Please be seated*)

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD,

who makes a way in the sea,

a path in the mighty waters,

who brings out chariot and horse,

army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,

they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things,

or consider the things of old.

I am about to do a new thing;

now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126

BCP, p. 782

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Epistle

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more:
circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe

of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #498 (Please Stand) *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* ST. CHRISTOPHER

The Holy Gospel

John 12:1-8

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about

the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ. (*All are seated*)

The Sermon

The Rev. Peter De Franco

Nicene Creed (*All stand*)

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The Prayers of the People (*Please kneel or Stand*)

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Celebrant Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Sally, our Bishop, and Peter, our Supply Priest, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Donald, our President, Philip, our Governor and Colleen, our Mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those on our Parish Prayer List and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. *(The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud at this time.)*

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

***People* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

***People* Amen.**

The Peace *(Please Stand)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem *O Lord, My God, You are My Refuge* arr. Hal Hopson

Presentation of the Gifts *(All stand)*

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP, p. 340

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus S-114 *(all sing) (Please Kneel) Holy, Holy, Holy*

Healey Willan

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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, he 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 remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Fraction Anthem

Agnus Dei S-158 (All sing) O Lamb of God

Healey Willan

(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion.)

Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Postcommunion Prayer *(Please stand)*

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Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Prayer Over the People *(Book of occasional services)*

Bow down before the Lord *(Please Kneel)*

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this thy people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know thee more fully, and to serve thee with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn LEVAS #165

Higher Ground

Charles H. Gabriel

Dismissal

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Postlude

Walking With the Savior

Richard Blake

Coffee Hour is held EVERY SUNDAY - Please join us in Martin Hall!

Serving Today: Crucifer ~ John Wall Lector ~ Alexa Fahner

Ushers ~ Mike Fahner, Leila Sullivan **Chalice Bearer** ~ Alexa Fahner

Parish Prayer List – April 6, 2025

If you need to add or remove a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, April 9th.

Lara Sparks Deitz	Joan Connolly	Mary Ann Crewdson
Dennis	Connie Anderson	Christian Balint
Christine Hendricks	Barry Longenbach	Warren Lamon
Ann White	Pierro Family	Lovas Family
Debbie & Joe Reising	Connie	Joe
Peg Appleget	Dcn. Judy	Lynne Weidmann
Alycia Mullin	Meg Neff	Rob Meyer
Tino	Florence Lamon	Melanie Harman
Pat	Kathy Rice	Jessie
Rich	Charles Sullivan	Doug Hunter
Marie Kleber	JoAnn King	Matt Starr
Ellis Barbieri	Judy Hamilton	Cindy Wood
Diane	Linda K.	Linda M.
Ray M.	Gia	Jeannine
Phil	Frank	Ed McDaniels
Fran Iozzi		

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Joseph Alexander, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall, Brandan White

Birthdays: James Baxter (04/06), Dawn Starr (04/07), Bill Kehr (04/10)
Anne D'Souza (04/11)

WEEKLY CALENDAR April 07 – April 12

07 – Mon	Morning Prayer (FB)	9:00 AM
	Yoga in MH	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM
09 – Wed	Sandwich Ministry	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
	Altar Guild-Polishing & Cleaning	10:30 AM
10 – Thurs	Lenten Book Study in MH	2:00 PM
	Vestry Meeting	7:00 PM
	“Clam-Diggers” AA Group	7:30 PM
	Compline (FB)	9:00 PM

11 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
	Stations of the Cross (In-Person & FB)	5:00 PM
12 – Sat	ECW Arts & Crafts Fair	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
	Catherine Hagaman Committal	12:00 PM
	Natalie Carroll Committal	3:00 PM



2025 HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

AT HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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APRIL 13	9:30 AM Palm Sunday — Holy Eucharist, Choir
APRIL 17	6:00 PM Maundy Thursday — Holy Eucharist, Handwashing, Choir
APRIL 17	7:30 PM until 11:00 PM - Gethsemane Watch - Vigil
APRIL 18	12:00 noon - Good Friday — Holy Eucharist from Reserve, Choir
APRIL 19	7:00 PM The Great Vigil of Easter — Candlelit service, Holy Eucharist ~ Begins in Memorial Garden
APRIL 20	9:30 AM Easter Day — Holy Eucharist, Choir, Brass. Reception & Egg Hunt following Easter morning service!

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<i>Vestry Class of 2025</i>	<i>Vestry Class of 2026</i>	<i>Vestry Class of 2027</i>
Judy Contreras	Larry Peacock	Vince Contreras
Bruce Hillyer	Barbara Wheeler	Melissa Wall
Bill Kehr	Leila Sullivan	TBD

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