



FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
March 19, 2023 at 9:00 AM

Prelude

Shepherd me, o God, Charles Callahan

Please stand.

Opening Hymn

Christ whose glory fills the skies

Hymnal 7

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night;
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

The musical score is presented in three systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the notes in a clear, black serif font.

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Opening Acclamation

Enriching our Worship

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation:
All **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Confession of Sin

Iona Community

Presider Trusting in God's forgiveness, let us in silence confess our failings and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world:

Silence is kept

Presider Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness:
To the ways I wound my life, the lives of others and the life of the world

All **May God forgive you, Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love. Amen.**

**Before God, with the people of God, we confess to our brokenness:
To the ways we wound our lives,
the lives of others
and the life of the world.**

Presider May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the spirit enable you to grow in love.
Amen.

Trisagion

Holy God, Holy and Mighty

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

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Collect

Presider May God be with you.
All **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

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.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Reader The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 *(sung together)*



- 1 The LORD is my / shepherd; *
I shall not / be in want.**
- 2 He makes me lie down in green / pastures *
and leads me beside / still waters.**
- 3 He revives my / soul *
and guides me along right pathways for / his Name's sake.**
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no / evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they / comfort me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who /
trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is run-/ning over.**
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days / of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD / for ever.**

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

Reader

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader
All

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.
Thanks be to God.

All children are invited to join the Gospel procession! Take an instrument from the basket and with joy & enthusiasm herald the proclamation of the Gospel!

Please stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn

I want to walk as a child of the light

Hymnal 490

The image displays a musical score for a hymn, consisting of four systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.
I want to look at Je-sus.
I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right-cous-ness, shine on my path, and
When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je-sus.
show me the way to the Fa-ther.
shall know the joy of Je-sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.

rit.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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Gospel

John 9:1-41

Presider
All

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

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he."

Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment

Presider
All

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Kristin Saylor

Following the sermon, we will hold a short period of silence, begun and ended with the ringing of a bell. As with all things in our liturgy, we do not expect perfection and celebrate that the Holy Spirit meets us wherever we are - be it in stillness or in the joyful presence of children in our midst.

Please stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

All **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 Chris,
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 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.**

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Intercessor In our call to end inequity and divisiveness:
All **Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union.**

Intercessor For all those suffering the consequences of natural disasters, war, drought and famine:

All **Where there is doubt, we pray for faith; where there is despair,
we pray for hope;**

Intercessor For all those who are sick on our parish prayer list and all those struggling with physical and mental health issues:

All **Where there is darkness, we pray for light; where there is sadness,
we pray for joy.**

Intercessor Enliven Your mission through St. Lawrence: Make us a bold and creative light, outreaching to those who have lost their faith, who are looking for community, or who long for healing and hope in Your great love:

All **Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.**

Intercessor Strengthen our commitment to outreach and unite us in the ways of justice and peace. We pray especially for Hope Food Pantry, Prison Pen Pal Ministry and for our Migrant Ministry with our Better Together partners:

All **Make us instruments of peace, for it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned.**

Intercessor We pray for those who have died...

All **For it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Offertory Anthem

My Eyes for Beauty Pine
Herbert Howells

Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus (*Holy, Holy, Holy*)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Presider Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care
that we might be your faithful stewards
and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.
Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.
Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:
"Take, eat:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."
As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Presider Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ's Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage
of your daughters and sons,
that with Lawrence, Mary and all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us we now pray,

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

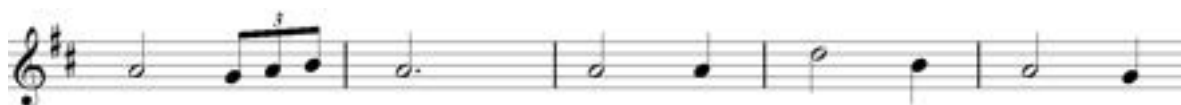
Communion Hymn

The King of love my shepherd is

Hymnal 645



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
6 fail-eth nev-er; Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-less-tial feed-eth.
3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

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Spiritual Communion for those on Zoom

Zoom Host Since we cannot share in the Body and Blood of Christ at this time, you are invited to join in the following prayer. The very intention to receive is enough to receive the spiritual blessing of the sacrament.

Let us pray.

All ***In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly for the blessings given me....***

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you or from my sisters and brothers in Christ; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The sending forth of Eucharistic Visitors

When Eucharistic Visitors are sent out the following words are used.

All ***In the name of God and this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body. We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.***

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

All **Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.**

Hymn (*sung three times*)

Lord Je - sus Christ, lov - er of all, trail
wide the hem of your gar - ment. Bring heal-ing, bring peace.

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Prayer over the people

Presider Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Hymnal

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

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Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

In this season of preparation as we join with Jesus in his journey to Jerusalem, our liturgy moves into the world today with the silence of reflection.

Join us for St. Lawrence Sunday School

Children ages 3-11 are welcome to join us every week after Sunday worship for snacks, crafts, Biblical storytelling, and a whole lot of fun!

Sunday school will start at 9:45 in the Godly Play Room and end at 10:30.

All are welcome on a drop in basis, no sign ups necessary.
Contact Susie Brock office@stlawrencechurch.org with any questions.

Coffee & Conversation

Everyone is welcome in the narthex for a hot cup of coffee or tea and a light snack immediately following the 9 AM service.

Community Prayers

The Universal Church, its members and its mission; The Anglican Church of Southern Africa; and for our Companion Dioceses of Southeast Mexico and Renk.

The concerns of the local community, especially those who are affected by gun violence.

For our parish family, that we may put our trust in God's wisdom and loving care, in times of joy and times of uncertainty, that we may embrace in faith our mission to grow in love and service to God's people.

Those who suffer and are in any trouble and those who have requested our prayers: Rosanne, Beth, Ruth, Phyliss, Sherry, Mike, Kristy, Duke, Ivy Louise, Charlotte, the Frank family, Tom, Pat, Cindy, Greg, Keith, Bill, Alison, Mary Lisa, Rickie, Jensen

We pray for those who are incarcerated, especially: Bryon, Christian, Christino, Gregory, Gregory, Jermain, Karlondo, Maurice, Raymond, Rickie, Robert, Roy, Shane

We pray for those to be confirmed, especially: Zuzu, Matthew, Olivia, Abby, Sofia, Nessa, Emily, Eleanor, Arthur, Mary, Kai, Myha, Zoe, Emilia, Noah, Reece

We pray for those to be married, especially: Kyle Jones and Molly Cayce; Lizzie Parker and Jake Milchesky

We pray for those waiting for children, especially: Connor and Skylar, Erin and Landon, Lindsay and Randy

We pray for those who have died, especially: Barb

We pray for peace and healing in our nation and the world.

We pray that peace and justice may come soon in places of war and conflict, and for all whose life of service puts them at risk; and for all victims of religious oppression throughout the world.

If you have a loved one you would like mentioned in the Prayers of the People list, please write their first name on the clipboard located at the rear of the church. You may also visit www.stlawrencechurch.org and click on "worship" and look for "Online Prayer Group". Names are checked and updated weekly and refreshed every month.

Current Events and Ministries At St. Lawrence

WELCOME! New to St. Lawrence? Visiting and curious about our parish? Want more information about Sunday school, youth groups, adult education, outreach activities, opportunities for fellowship and more? Please complete the top part of the newcomers card and either drop it in the collection plate or hand it to an usher. We'll contact you to answer your questions, point you in the right direction and do anything we can to help you feel welcome at St. Lawrence Church. Keep the bottom section for easy ways to access more information about our parish.

Worship "Soft Space" for Children

This space is for children old enough to leave the nursery, through children young enough to enjoy a front row seat, up to age 10. The soft space gives kids a chance to experience our liturgy, worship, and communion without anything in their way. The soft space is not mandatory. Children should sit where they are most comfortable in church. Sunday school leaves out the side door, immediate following communion.

TODAY



Interested in learning to grow flowers and vegetables from seed,
but need some help getting started?
Join us for an interactive seed starting workshop!

Together, we will discuss best practices, common pitfalls, and creative DIY hacks. You will go home with a seed start of choice and all the knowledge you need to garden with confidence!

Suggested donation: \$5.

The seeds we start at this workshop will grow to benefit St. Lawrence! On Thursday, June 1st, the first day of the Libertyville Farmers' Market, we will be out on the sidewalk selling our veggie and flower starts as a fundraiser for our community. To get us there, we need your help!



Lenten Book Study

Join Adam on Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM beginning March 8 to discuss James Martin's book "Learning to Pray: A Guide for Everyone." Martin's book explains what prayer is, what to expect from praying, how to do it, and how it can transform us when we make it a regular practice in our lives. Martin lays out the different styles and traditions of prayer throughout Christian history and invites us to experiment and discover which works best to feed our soul and build intimacy with our Creator. Come deepen your own understanding and experience of prayer this Lenten season. The Zoom link will be available in the weekly eNews and on the St. E's Virtually page of the website.



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a night of worship,
fellowship, fun and fish!

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Hello! Our Venezuelan guest are getting settled into a routine and connected to local agencies. There are a few things they need. If you are in a position to donate any of the following, please email northshorewelcome@trinitychurchhp.org to arrange pick up or bring them to St Lawrence and we will coordinate delivery.

- Stroller for 3 year old
- Car seat for 3 year old (so volunteers can transport to doctor appointments, immigration, etc)
- Maternity clothes sizes L and XL
- Bilingual or Spanish language books preschool through grade 4

Join us for the 2023 LENTEN JOURNEY

This Lenten season, we invite you to lean into a deepening faith in God!

The Rev. Dr. Scott Stoner says that "Lent is a time for introspection and self-reflection, a time to reflect on the core of what it means to live a Christian life..."

Join us on Zoom, weekday mornings from 7:30-8:00 AM, to set the day with intention, love and gratitude. From February 22-April 7 (Ash Wednesday through Good Friday), our seminarian, Cindy Rigali Lund will lead us in the Daily Office to center ourselves in God during this year's Lenten journey. Join us as your schedule allows by clicking on this zoom link in your weekly email.

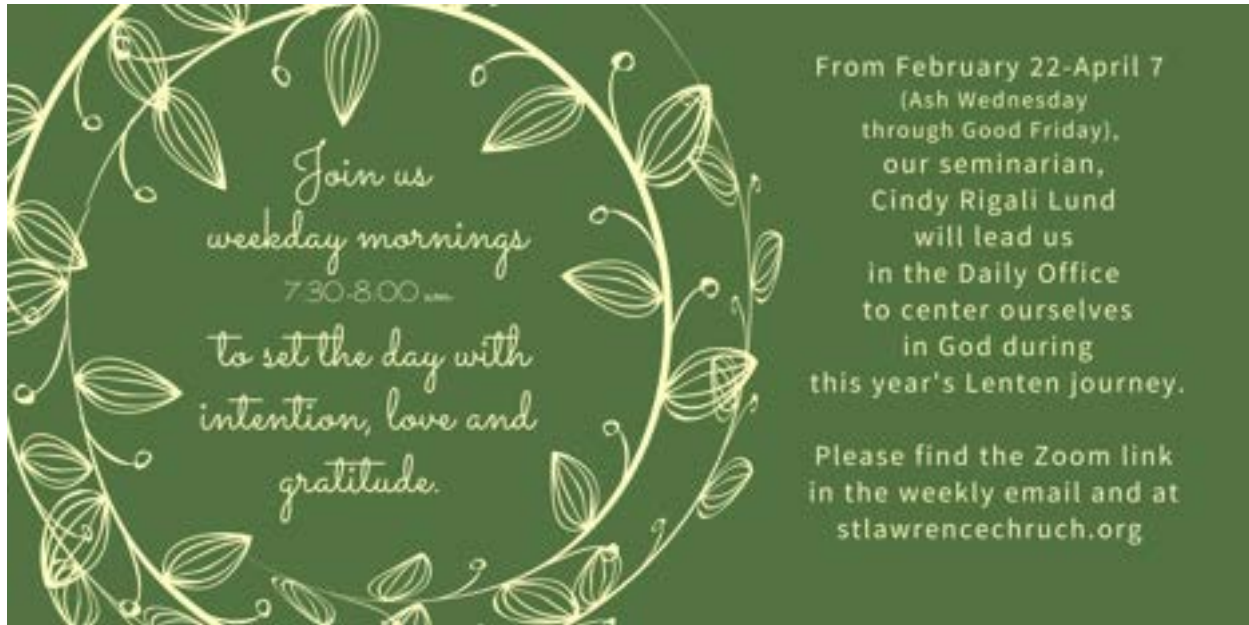
There are many resources available to aid in your self-examination, reading, and meditating for the forty days of Lent . Below are a few suggestions to get you started. *Available online and in the Narthex (foyer)*



St. Lawrence Church Welcomes Bishop Paula Clark April 23

Join us for worship at 9 AM to welcome our new Bishop.

Bishop Clark is happy to offer baptisms, confirmations, and receptions during her visit to St. Lawrence. If you are interested in being baptized, confirmed, or received please reach out to Kristin as soon as possible. rector@stlawrencechurch.org

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A graphic for Maundy Thursday. The top half has a dark grey background with white text: "MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 6, 2023 7 PM". The bottom half shows a bowl of hummus with chickpeas and olive oil on a wooden board, with pita bread and a cloth nearby.

Join us for a
Maundy Thursday
service, including
foot washing and a
simple meal.

The Agape Meal is a
continuation of the
Eucharist feast.

*Please RSVP so we can
plan accordingly.*

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Please find the volunteer and food sign-ups for the Agape meal in the Narthex.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

April 2 - **Palm Sunday** - St. Lawrence, Libertyville (9AM)

April 6 - **Maundy Thursday** - St. Lawrence, Libertyville (7PM)
with washing of feet and Agape meal

April 7 - **Good Friday** - St. Lawrence , Libertyville, (Noon)
Trinity, Highland Park (7PM)

April 8 - **Holy Saturday** - St. Lawrence, Libertyville (9AM)
Easter Vigil - St. Gregory's, Deerfield (7PM)

April 9 - **Easter** - St. Lawrence, Libertyville (9AM)



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On the STL calendar *(see the entire calendar on the STL website, stlawrencechurch.org)*

Sunday, March 19 - Seed Starting Workshop, STL Library, 4-5 PM

Tuesday, March 21 - Young Episcopal Seniors (YES), Noon; Vestry, Fireside Rm., 7 PM

Wednesday, March 22- Better Together Adult Formation, 7 PM, Zoom

Thursday, March 23 - Choir Rehearsal, 7 PM

Friday, March 24 - Stations of the Cross and Fish Fry, Trinity Highland Park, 6 PM

Saturday, March 25 - HOPE Food Pantry, 8-10 AM

Wednesday, March 29 - Better Together Adult Formation, 7 PM, Zoom

Thursday, March 30 - Choir Rehearsal, 7 PM

Sunday, April 2 - Palm Sunday, St. Lawrence, 9AM

Tuesday, April 4 - Eucharist at StoryPoint, 901 Florsheim Dr., Libertyville, 1 PM

Thursday, April 6 - Maundy Thursday Service with foot washing and Agape meal,
St. Lawrence, 7 PM

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday Services, Noon at St. Lawrence, 7 PM at Trinity Highland Park

Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday service at St. Lawrence, 9 AM,

Easter Vigil at St. Gregory's Deerfield, 7 PM

Sunday, April 9 - Easter at St. Lawrence, 9 AM

Monday, April 10 - Easter Monday, church offices closed

**Please visit www.stlawrencechurch.org
for more information and upcoming events.**

Mission:

Growing relationships, serving in community, empowered through worship

Our Vision:

A vibrant, engaged community feeding those who hunger in body, mind
or spirit, celebrating God's love and offering a spiritual home for all

Our Promise:

Wherever you are in your spiritual journey,
St. Lawrence welcomes you. We celebrate diversity and,
following Jesus' example embrace ALL God's children.

As a community, we cherish your uniqueness as God has made you:
across cultural backgrounds, skin color, citizenship/immigration status,
political views, age, gender identity/expression/attraction, marital and
economic status, and physical and cognitive abilities.

Whoever you are, whomever you love,
wherever you are from, WE WELCOME YOU!



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