

Welcome to Worship



Church Of The Good Shepherd

"Where God Works In and Through You"

March 9, 2025



NEWS FOR THE PEWS

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ON THE CALENDAR

- **Morning Prayer:** Via Zoom Wednesdays at 8:00 AM. A link is sent by email to parishioners. Feel free to contact the church office for the link: office.gscmd@gmail.com
- **Lenten Calendar:** *All services at the Bethany Chapel*
 - **Maundy Thursday:** 6:00 PM, April 17 *
 - **Good Friday:** 6:00 PM, April 18
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, April 5, at 9:00 AM, at the Rectory (downstairs)
- **Ladies Fellowship:** Saturday, April 5, at 9:00 AM, at the Rectory (ministry room)

DID YOU KNOW?

Our church web site serves as a virtual church office. You can find everything from the church calendar to a guide for daily prayer, a link to submit prayer requests, watching online services, sermon archives, our Bishop's Bible studies, and much more! www.GSCmd.org

NEED PRAYER?

Those desiring prayers may come to the altar following the closing of the service (after the candles are extinguished) to receive prayer from our prayer team.

DIOCESE PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for: Resurrection Anglican Church, Wallingford, Connecticut; The Rev. Canon Moses Aderibole; Widows and Widowers in ADLW; Other ministries and chaplaincies; The Rev. Darren Johnson.

LENT

We are in the season of Lent. Lent is a significant period in the Christian liturgical calendar that spans 40 days, starting on Ash Wednesday and ending on Easter Sunday. It's a time for reflection, repentance, and spiritual growth.

During Lent, many Christians engage in practices such as fasting, giving up certain luxuries or habits, increased prayer, and acts of charity. These practices are meant to prepare believers for Easter, commemorating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



The 40-day duration of Lent is symbolic, representing the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness, where He faced temptation by Satan. Lent encourages believers to reflect on their own lives, seek forgiveness for their sins, and strive to become closer to God.

During this season all "alleluias" are omitted from the liturgies, flowers are removed from the sanctuary, and crosses are draped. These practices are intended to point worshippers toward the purpose of the Lenten season.

SERVING TODAY

Lector	Bill Meisheid
Greeters	Jan Ballew; Cheryl Workman
Sacristy	Mary Courtney, Susan Sellner / Eslyn Hinmon, Sue Sexton
Prayers of the People	Tom Rice
Prayer Team	Jan Ballew, Loretta Knox

***NOTE:** *Those interested in representing the congregation during the foot washing rite during Maundy Thursday service are asked to speak with the Pastor.*

THE WORSHIP SERVICE

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The First Sunday of Lent

The Service Begins on p. 105 in the Prayer Book ▪ Anglican Standard Text

Your Responses in Bold Print. NOTE: No "alleluia's" during Lent

THE PROCESSION (*see lyrics insert*)

The People Stand

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE ACCLAMATION, p. 105, 145

The People Stand

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

***People* His mercy endures for ever.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY, p. 106

The People Seated

***All* Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and from You no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE DECALOGUE, pp. 100-101

The People Seated

Celebrant God spoke these words and said:

I am the Lord your God.

You shall have no other gods but me.

***People* Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

***People* Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.

***People* Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

***People* Lord, have mercy upon us,**

Celebrant **and incline our hearts to keep this law.**
People Honor your father and your mother.
Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not murder.
People **Lord, have mercy upon us,**
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.
People **Lord, have mercy upon us,**
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not steal.
People **Lord, have mercy upon us,**
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not bear false witness against your
neighbor.
People **Lord, have mercy upon us,**
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not covet.
People **Lord, have mercy upon us,**
and write all these, your laws,
in our hearts, we beseech you.

TRISAGION p. 106

The People Stand

Celebrant Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One
All **Have mercy upon us**

WORSHIP IN SONG (*see lyrics insert*)

The People Stand

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY, pp. 107, 605

The People Seated or Stand

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.
Almighty God, Whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations, and, as You know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find You mighty to save; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON, p. 108

The People Seated

Lector A Reading from Deuteronomy 26:5-11
⁵“And you shall make response before the Lord your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. ⁶And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. ⁷Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. ⁹And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Lord, have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the Lord your God and worship before the Lord your God. ¹¹And you shall rejoice in all the good that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

After the Reading

Lector The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER: Psalm 91:9-16, pp. 108, 390

The People Seated

Qui habitat

⁹Because you have said, “the Lord is my refuge,” *
and have made the Most High your stronghold,

¹⁰**There shall no evil happen to you, ***
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

¹¹For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.

¹²**They shall bear you in their hands, ***
that you hurt not your foot against a stone.

¹³You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *

the young lion and the serpent you shall trample under your feet.

¹⁴ “Because he has set his love upon me, therefore I will deliver him; *

I will lift him up, because he has known my Name.

¹⁵ He shall call upon me, and I will hear him; *

indeed, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him and bring him honor.

**¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.”**

THE SECOND LESSON, p. 108

The People Seated

Lector A Reading from Romans 10:4-13

⁴ For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

⁵ For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶ But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³ For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

After the Reading

Lector The Word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (*see lyrics insert*)

The People Stand

THE GOSPEL, p. 108

The People Stand

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 4:1-13.

People **Glory to You, Lord Christ**

¹ And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ²for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. ³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." ⁴And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" ⁵And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, ⁶and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."

⁹ And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you," ¹¹and "On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."

¹² And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

After the Gospel

Priest The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to You, Lord Christ**

THE GRADUAL (*concludes - see lyrics insert*)

The People Stand

THE SERMON. p. 108

The People Seated

THE NICENE CREED, pp. 108-109

The People Stand

Celebrant Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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],
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of
sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, pp. 110-112

The People Seated

Intercessor Offers the Prayers . . .
Lord, in Your mercy

***People* Hear our prayer.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN, pp. 112-113

The People Seated

Celebrant All who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and seek to live in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking in His holy ways: draw near with faith and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

***All* Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all:**

We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against Your divine majesty, provoking most justly Your righteous anger against us.

We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear.

Have mercy upon us,

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest Offers the Absolution, p. 113

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS, pp. 113-114

The People Seated

Celebrant (*Shares the Comfortable words*)

THE PEACE, p. 114

The People Stand

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People* And with your spirit.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING, pp. 114, 149

The People Seated

Celebrant “Not everyone who says to me, “Lord, Lord,” will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.” Matthew 7:21.

OFFERTORY SELECTION - FOLLOWED BY “THE DOXOLOGY”
(Traditional)

The People Seated, then Stand for the Doxology

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS, pp. 114

The People Stand

After the offering

Celebrant Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is Yours; Yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and You are exalted as Head above all. All things come from You, O Lord.

People **And of Your own have we given You.**

THE EXHORTATION, pp. 147-148

The People Seated

SURSUM CORDA, pp. 115, 153

The People Stand

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, our duty and our joy always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(Preface for Lent), p. 153

You bid Your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by Your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness

of grace which You have prepared for those who love You.

SANCTUS, p. 115

The People Stand - (Sung)

(Sung) **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.**

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION, pp. 115-116

The People Stand

Celebrant The Priest Consecrates the Bread and the Wine.

THE LORD'S PRAYER, p. 118

The People Seated

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

All **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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION, p. 118

The People Seated

Celebrant Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the cross.

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

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS, p. 119

The People Seated

People We do not presume to come to this Your table, O merciful Lord,
Trusting in our own righteousness,
But in Your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Your table;
But You are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
So to eat the flesh of Your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink His Blood,
That our sinful bodies may be made clean by His Body,
And our souls washed through His most precious Blood,
And that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI, p. 119

The People Seated

Celebrant Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.
People Have mercy on us.
Celebrant Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.
People Have mercy on us.
Celebrant Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.
People Grant us Your peace.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION, p. 119-120

The People Seated

All Baptized Christians are Welcome - You may receive a blessing instead of communion - - Cross your arms over your chest and the priest or eucharistic minister will offer a blessing.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER, p. 120-121

The People Seated

Celebrant Let us pray.
People Almighty and everliving God, we thank You for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us,

through this Sacrament, of Your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of Your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of Your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask You, heavenly Father, to assist us with Your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that You have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING, p. 121

The People Stand

The Celebrant Offers the Blessing

RECESSIONAL (see lyrics insert)

The People Stand

THE DISMISSAL, p. 122

The People Stand

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people dismiss following the extinguishing of the altar candles.



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