

EMMANUEL CHURCH

42 Dearborn Street, Newport, Rhode Island

We share our home, building a vibrant, loving community.

MARCH 19, 2023

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Improvisation on 'Crimond'

Eric Thiman

HYMN 11 (omit stanza 4)

Awake my soul, and with the sun

THE WORD OF GOD

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant:

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People:

His mercy endures for ever.

THE DECALOGUE

Celebrant:

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

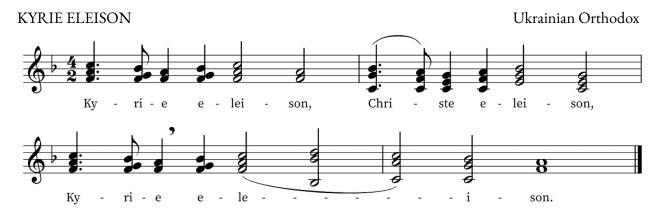
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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



COLLECT OF THE DAY, prayed aloud by all

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant 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. Amen.

THE FIRST READING

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.

-1 Samuel 16:1-13

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

The people remain seated as the choir stands to lead the Psalm PSALM 23

1 The Lord is my **shepherd**; *

I shall not 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 running **over**.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my <u>life</u>, * and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for **ever**.

THE SECOND READING

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."

-Ephesians 5:8-14

Lector The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE HYMN 684 O for a closer walk with God

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People 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 so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

-John 9:1-41

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Canon Meaghan Brower

THE NICENE CREED, Book of Common Prayer, page 358
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form I, Book of Common Prayer, page 383
THE PEACE
THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O How Amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Tune: Old Hundredth

O how amiable are thy dwellings; thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter in to the courts of the Lord:

My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:

Even thy altars O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee.

The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.

O prosper thou our handy work, O prosper thou our handy work. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,

our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

PRESENTATION HYMN Praise God throughout these forty days

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Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.

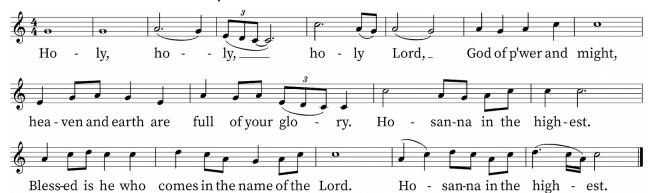
And praise the Spirit who imparts

God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.

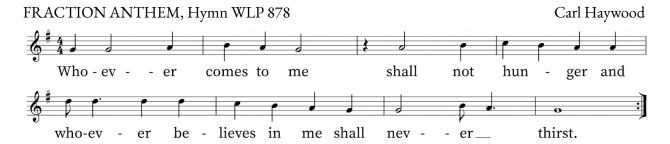
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A, Book of Common Prayer, page 361



Lena McLin



THE LORD'S PRAYER, Book of Common Prayer, page 364



COMMUNION HYMN 663 The Lord my God my shepherd is

POST COMMUNION PRAYER, Book of Common Prayer, page 365

HYMN 429 (omit stanza 3) I'll praise my Maker while I've breath

POSTLUDE Highland Cathedral

arr. Charles Callahan

tune: Crimond

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Volunteers

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Altar Guild: Ellen Vadney, Sandy Chapman

Ushers: Debbie DeAscents, Caroline Ruggerio

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