

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE

RESURRECTION

STARKVILLE, MS

Fifth Sunday in Lent Holy Eucharist Rite I April 6, 2025 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We're glad you've joined us for worship today! It's customary in the Episcopal Church to observe silence before the service to help create a prayerful environment. Before the service, speak to God in the silence of your heart. During the service, let God speak to you through Word and Sacrament, and after the service, speak with your neighbor!

All you'll need to follow the liturgy is this service booklet. The congregation plays an important role in our worship, and you're encouraged to take part as you are comfortable.

Christians from any tradition are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church. If you'd like to receive, please come forward to the altar when the priest indicates. You may choose to stand or kneel at the rail. To receive the bread, simply hold out your hands, palms up, one on top of the other. To receive the wine, you can either hold on to your wafer to intinct (carefully dip) the bread into the cup, or you can assist a chalice bearer and take a small sip. Also, know that communion in one kind (just the bread or wine) is sufficient. If you wish to participate but not receive, come forward to the altar rail and simply cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing from the priest.

If you'd like to know more about our church, please call us at (662) 323-3483.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to seek Christ and to make Him known in a dynamic place of worship and to create a loving and supportive community that shares spiritual and physical help with others.

DIOCESAN INCLUSION STATEMENT

We respect the dignity of all persons, regardless of national origin, race, gender, age, or sexual orientation, and welcome and encourage them to fully participate in all areas of parish life.

Holy Eucharist Rite I



Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins;
People His mercy endureth for ever.

The Celebrant says

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The Confession

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Almighty and most merciful father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,

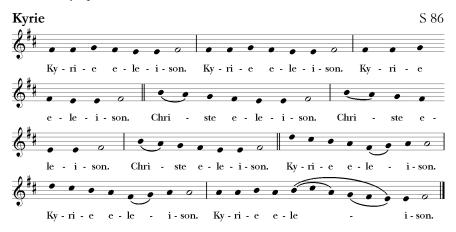
we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,

and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or 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. *Amen.*



Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

First Reading

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.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 In convertendo



- 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 in/**deed**.
- ⁵ Restore our fortunes, ^ O / **LORD**, * like the watercourses of the Ne/**gev**.
- 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**.

Second Reading

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.
People Thanks be to God.



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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Holy Gospel John 12:1-8

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."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon Fr. Walton

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 Christ, 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. 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.

Prayers of the People

Deacon or other leader

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.

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

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.

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 and the members of congress; Tate, our governor and the state legislature; and Lynn, our mayor and the boards of aldermen and supervisors, that they may be led to wise decisions and rightactions for the welfare and peace of the world.

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.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

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 all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit

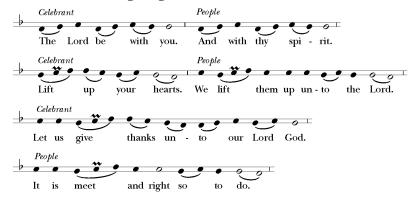
The Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem Christ has no body now but yours

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The Great Thanksgiving

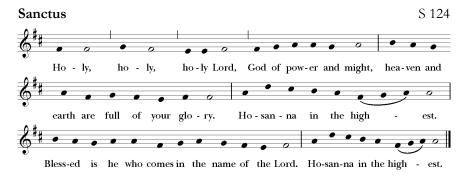


Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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.

Celebrant will add a Proper Preface.

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



The people kneel or stand.
Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of 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, he brake 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 ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, 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, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, 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; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy

Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

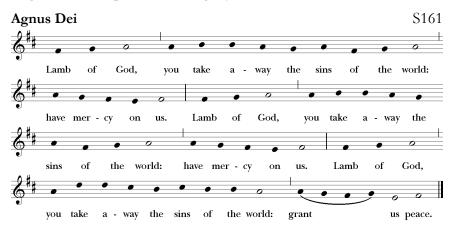
And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with 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,

Lord's Prayer

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



The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

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*.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

* Related Scriptures: 1 Thes 5:10, Ps 143:8 & Eph 5:12



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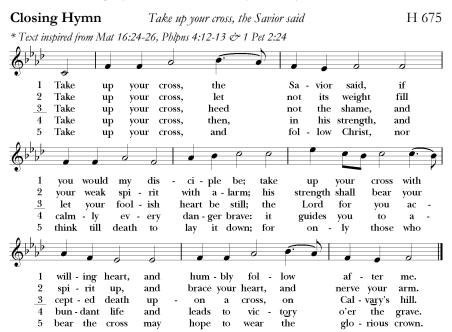
Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

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*.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.



Dismissal

Postlude

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Liam Lamb, Vicki Coleman, Christine McBee, Roman, June Dooley, Rosemary Shaner, Peyton Passons, Nav Ashford, Jane Perry, Clayton Butler, Barbi Hughes, David Evans, Jamie Inmon, Loren Zimmerman, David Callahan, Sheila Sellers, Coleigh Thomas, Sam Baker, Jamie, Taze Fulford IV, Stuart Vance, The Shramenko Family

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, April 9 Solemn Mass

Monday, April 21 Fiber Arts (Johnson Hall)
Sunday, April 27 Earth Day Hike and Service

Sunday, May 4 Bluegrass Mass and BBQ

Sunday, May 11 Youth Sunday

HOLY WEEK

Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday (8:00 & 10:30)

Monday & Tuesday, April 14-15 Holy Week Eucharists (5:30 pm)

Wednesday, April 16 Tenebrae Service (6 pm)

Thursday, April 17Friday, April 18Maundy Thursday Service (6 pm)Good Friday Services (Noon)

Saturday, April 19 The Great Vigil of Easter (7:30 pm)

Sunday, April 20 Easter Egg Hunt (9:30 am) Sunday, April 20 Easter Sunday (8:00 & 10:30)

THIS WEEK AT ECR

Sunday, April 6

5:00 p.m. EYC (Parish Hall)

Monday, April 7

9:00 a.m. Fiber Arts (Johnson Hall)

Tuesday, April 8

7:00 a.m. Freshman/Sophomore Breakfast (Starkville Café)

5:30 p.m. ECR DoK Meeting (Johnson Hall)

6:00 p.m. Casserole Kitchen

Wednesday, April 9

5:30 p.m. Solemn High Mass

6:00 p.m. Canterbury

6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 10

7:00 a.m. Junior/Senior Breakfast (Starkville Café)

10:30 a.m. Centering Prayer (Centering Prayer)

6:00 p.m. Casserole Kitchen

Friday, April 11

6:00 p.m. Parents Night Out

Saturday, April 12

11:00 a.m. Casserole Kitchen

Sunday, April 13

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:15 a.m. Sunday School All Ages

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II*

5:00 p.m. EYC (Parish Hall)

MINISTERS AT TODAY'S SERVICE

Celebrant/Homilist The Very Rev. Walton Jones

Bellringer Eileen Dunn
Greeter Laura Dunn
Lector Sarah Beth Heard
LEM Readings Julia Stephenson
LEM Prayers Steven Brandon
Oblation Bearer Laura Bryan
Ushers Devan Torrence

Quentin Boccaleri

Acolytes Ann Shaifer Jones, Jude Dunn,

George Dunn, Catherine Shapley

Vestry on Duty Tracey Millsaps Verger Adam Marconi

Altar Guild Marie Cayson, Bonnie Renfroe,

Kelli Phelps, Marc De Venney

Flower Guild Marc De Venney



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CLERGY AND STAFF

The Very Rev. Walton W. Jones, Rector
Cindy Hughes, Parish Administrator; Bookkeeper
Callie Ellis, Choir Director
Todd Fayard, Organist
Teresa Kennard & Miss Megan Aucoin, Nursery Staff
Lucie LeBlanc & Risley Elliot, EYC Leaders
Sarah Walker, Interim Lay Chaplain

MEMBERS OF THE VESTRY

George Dunn, Senior Warden
Holly Potts
Hellen Polk
Meredith Shapley

Jeffrey Duckworth, Junior Warden
Brad Dye
Tracey Millsaps
Joey Thompson