Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Let us offer prayers to God who has made us a new creation in Christ.

Reader: For the holy catholic church throughout the world, sharing the death and resurrection of Christ.

Lord, have mercy.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Russell our Bishop, for priests and deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

Lord, have mercy.

For our catechumen(s) and their sponsors(s).

Lord, have mercy.

For all the peoples of the earth and for their leaders.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering especially Father David, Tiffany Turner, and Jo Ferrario and for all who are sick, afflicted, or oppressed.

Lord, have mercy.

For the dying and the dead.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering especially expectant parents Rachel and Scott, Emmanuelle and Austin Ledger and for our families, friends, and companions, and for all those we love.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering the blessed Virgin Mary, St Simon, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, God of the Israelites, who gives your people food and drink. Receive the prayers we offer this day and invite us to the feast of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory God is my Rock

Presentation

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holv Ghost The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP, p. 369

Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982 S~125

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Communion Hymn Just as I am, without one plea The Hymnal 1982 #693

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 366

Sending of the Eucharistic Visitor

Celebrant: We send you forth with these holy gifts, that those to whom you

go may share with us in this Communion of Christ's Body and

Blood.

People: We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one

bread, one cup.

Blessing by the Celebrant

Closing Hymn Jerusalem, my happy home
The Hymnal 1982 #620

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Theme from a Ballade"

From Opus 38
By, Frederic Chopin



St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church

The Holy Eucharist Rite II

The Fourth Sunday of Lent * March 30, 2025 * 10:00

Clergy:

The Rt. Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, Bishop The Reverend J. David Knight, Rector The Reverend Alan Sutherland, Celebrant

Choir: Organist/Pianist

The St. Simon's Choir Directed by Kelley Koontz Doug Koontz

Book of Common Prayer = BCP Red Wonder Love and Praise = WLP Green The Hymnal 1982 = Blue Alleluia III = Yellow



Prelude

"In the Hour of Trial"

By, Spencer Lane

Opening Hymn Oh Bless the Lord

Oh Bless the Lord, my Soul! The Hymnal 1982 #411

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant: People:

Blessed the Lord who forgives all our Sins. His Mercy endures for ever. *Amen*.

The Decalogue (Kneel)

BCP, p. 350

Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 352

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 219

Celebrant: The Lord by 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.

A Reading from Joshua

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the Passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Joshua 5:9-12

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks by to God.

Psalm 32:1-12

BCP, p. 624

(Read responsively by half verse. The people read after the asterisk.)

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, * and whose sin is put away!

Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, * and in whose spirit there is no guile!

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, * because of my groaning all day long.

For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *

my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, * and did not conceal my guilt.

I said," I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." *

Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *

when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

You are my hiding-place;

you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; * who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *

but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; * shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

A Reading from 2nd Corinthians

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks by to God.

Gospel Hymn Guide me, O thou great Jehovah The Hymnal 1982 #690

Verses 1&2

The Gospel

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.

'So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found."

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Hymn Guide me, O thou great Jehovah
The Hymnal 1982 #690

Verse 3

Sermon The Reverend Alan Sutherland

The Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358