



Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican

Alexandria, Virginia



The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 31, 2019

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 11:15 a.m.

Page references are for The Book of Common Prayer.

Large Print Prayer Books are available; please request one from an usher.

A professionally-staffed nursery is located in the south corner of the building (to the right as you face the organ);

restrooms are located on either side of the double wooden doors.

In respect for those wishing to pray before the service begins, the congregation is asked to remain as quiet as possible.

Prelude: Agnus Dei

Couperin

Please stand for silent Lenten processional.

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: *His mercy endures forever.*

The Collect for Purity

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Kyrie (S96, found in the front of The Hymnal 1982)

Schubert

The Collect of the Day

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 Lesson: Joshua 5:9-12

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.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Silence

Psalm 32 *Beati quorum*

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

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

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

- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 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."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

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.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 318 "Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face"

Nyack

The Holy Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

Response: *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.'"

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People:

After the Intercessor says "Lord in your mercy,"
the congregation responds "*Hear our prayer.*"

Litany of Penitence (*We revisit our prayers from the Ash Wednesday liturgy.*)

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The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem "Kyrie "

Rossini

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

Presentation Hymn 439 "What wondrous love is this" (verse 1)

Wondrous Love

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay aside his crown for my soul.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B p. 367

Sanctus (S130, found in the front of The Hymnal 1982) Schubert

Please stand, kneel, or sit, as you are able

The Lord's Prayer p. 364

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Response: ***Therefore let us keep the feast.***

Agnus Dei (S164, found in the front of The Hymnal 1982) Schubert

All baptized Christians are welcomed and encouraged to receive Holy Communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.

Gluten-free hosts are available on request from the clergy.

Communion Solo "Hostias", from Requiem Faure
Vasili Varfis., baritone

We offer Thee, O Lord, sacrifices and prayers of praise, do Thou accept them, whom we this day commemorate; Grant them, O Lord, to pass from death to the life which Thou once didst promise to Abraham and his seed.

Communion Organ Solo "The Old Rugged Cross" George Bennard

Music during Communion

Hymn 671 "Amazing grace! how sweet the sound" *New Britain*

Hymn 314 "Humbly I adore Thee" *Adoro devote*

Post Communion Prayer p. 365

Sending of the Lay Eucharistic Ministers (if needed)

Celebrant: In the name of Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body...

People: ***...because we all share one bread, one cup.***

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 686 "Come, thou fount of every blessing" *Nettleton*

The Dismissal

Postlude: Largo Vierne

Music in today's service was offered to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret MacNamara, mother of Ann MacNamara, on Margaret's birthday.

The organ solo was a favorite of Ann's grandmother; in her later years, Margaret sang the hymn very often.

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: *Acolytes:* Marjorie Burke, Ruthie Christino, Madison Eaton; *Altar Guild:* Brooke Roberts; *Chalices:* Harrison Clark, Dorothy Kellogg; *Readers:* David Lindsey, Dorothy Kellogg; *Intercessor:* Brooke Roberts; *Ushers:* Michael Reinemer, Stewart Skubel, Teresa Skubel; *Coffee Host:* Sudie McGahuey; *Paten:* The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander; *Musicians:* Denise Freeland, Assistant Conductor; Dr. Jane Tavernier, Organist; *Audio-Visual:* Michael Reinemer; *Vestry Greeter:* The Rev. Rachel Rickenbaker; *Vestry Counter:* Mark Fearer, *Celebrant:* The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander