



ST. FRANCIS
IN THE FIELDS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We invite you to join us as an active participant in the same worship that Anglicans have been celebrating for centuries. Our service is from The Book of Common Prayer. Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services today.

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HOLY EUCHARIST ~ RITE II

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, March 22, 2026 ~ 9:00 a.m.

The people's responses are in bold.

✠ Indicates a place where the people make the sign of the Cross.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

VOLUNTARY

Sonata in A Minor, BWV 1003

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

III. Andante

Chris Robinson, *violin*

All stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 567

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

ST. MATTHEW

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP p. 355

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures for ever.

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON S-86

setting: *New Plainsong*, David Hurd (b. 1950)

Cantor Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *People* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.**

The People sit.

THE FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130 *De profundis*

Anglican chant: Walford Davies (1869–1941)

*Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.
O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint.
If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it?
For there is mercy with thee; therefore, shalt thou be feared.
I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him; in his word is my trust.
My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.
O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption.
And he shall redeem Israel from all his sins.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The children are invited to join the Children's Procession to the Chapel by following the acolyte with the silver cross.

The People stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN 511

Holy Spirit, ever living

ABBOT'S LEIGH

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 11:1-45

The People turn to face the Gospel Book during the Proclamation.

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world.

But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.” When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.” When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People sit when directed by the Preacher.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Clint Wilson

The People stand.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP p. 358

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form VI, BCP p. 329

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

The People kneel. Silence is kept.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Terry and Justin, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray especially for...
For those in our parish who serve in the military...
For our Louisville Fellows ...
For our brothers and sisters who suffer for the sake of Christ, especially...
For our enemies and those who wish us harm.

Silence is kept.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for our children and youth celebrating birthdays this week...

Silence is kept.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

✠ We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence is kept.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

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.**

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠ forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

All stand.

THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The People sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Peccantem me quotidie”

Cristóbal de Morales (c. 1500–1553)

*Peccantem me quotidie,
et non me paenitentem,
timor mortis conturbat me:
Quia in inferno
nulla est redemptio,
miserere, miserere mei,
Deus, et salva me.*

As I was sinning daily
and not repenting,
the fear of death disturbed me:
because in hell
there is no redemption.
Have pity, have pity on me,
O God, and save me.

Words: Roland de Lassus (1532–1594)

The people stand as representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the altar.

PRESENTATION HYMN

When I survey the wondrous cross (stanza 4)

ROCKINGHAM

Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p. 361

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

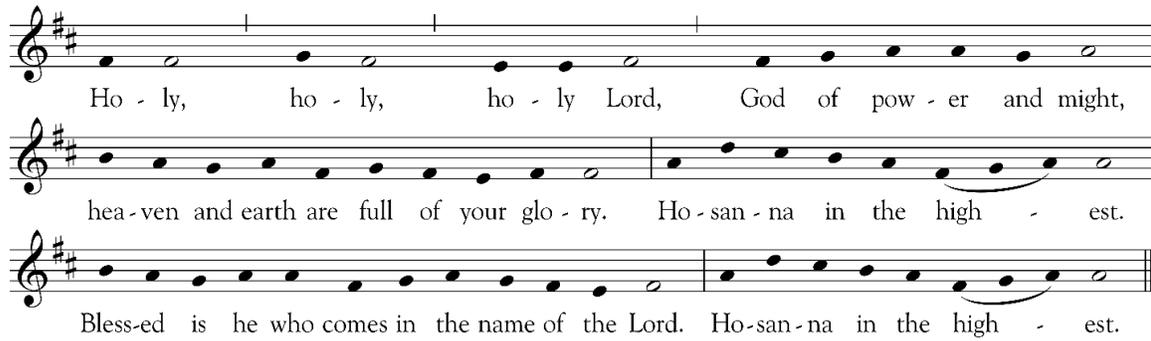
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, 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.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS S-124

setting: *New Plainsong*, D. Hurd



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...
 ...Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues the prayer.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption... All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

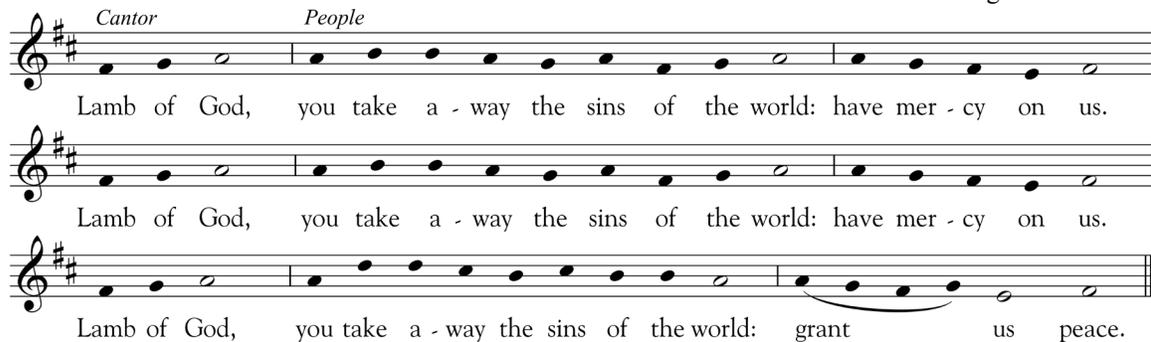
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

AGNUS DEI S-161

setting: *New Plainsong*, D. Hurd



Cantor *People*
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Our ushers will direct you to the altar rail at the appropriate time. If you are not baptized or do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing; you may indicate you are not receiving communion by crossing your arms across your chest. For those who wish to have a gluten free wafer, please close your hands, and alert the priest when you are at the altar. Those who would like to receive healing prayer are invited to the Chapel after receiving communion. You may enter the Chapel (through the door to the left as you face the altar), and a trained healing prayer minister will pray for you.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

“Stabat Mater dolorosa”

Giovanni Battista Pergolesi (1710–1736)

*Stabat Mater dolorosa
Iuxta crucem lacrimosa
dum pendebat Filius.*

The sorrowful mother
Stood weeping next to the cross
Upon which her son was hanging.

Words: Jacopone da Todi (c. 1230–1306) Chris Robinson & Yebeen Seo, *violins*

COMMUNION HYMN

Drop, drop, slow tears

SONG 46

1. Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beau - teous feet,
2. Cease not, wet eyes, his mer - cies to en - treat;
3. In your deep floods, drown all my faults and fears;

which brought from heav'n the news and Prince of peace.
to cry for ven - geance, sin doth nev - er cease.
nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

The People kneel.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 365

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 457

Thou art the Way

ST. JAMES

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HOLY WEEK Easter

Holy Week Eucharists | March 30, 31, + April 1
12:00 p.m. (in the chapel)

Tenebrae | April 1
8:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday | April 2
7:00 p.m.* †

Good Friday | April 3
12:00 and 7:00 p.m.*

Holy Saturday | April 4
9:00 a.m.

Great Vigil of Easter | April 4
8:00 p.m.* †

Easter Sunday | April 5
7:30 a.m. (in the chapel)
9:00 a.m.*
11:15 a.m.* †

*childcare provided
-livestreamed
†with incense



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CHILDREN'S CHAPEL AND NURSERY CARE

Children's Chapel is offered during the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. services and is an opportunity for children ages 3 through fifth grade to come and worship together in the beautiful Davenport Chapel and listen to an age-appropriate lesson. We learn about the liturgy, prayer, and hymns. The children return to the service during the passing of the peace. Infants to children four years old are welcome in the nursery, located on the lower level.

WAYS TO GIVE

- **GIVE in Person:** Place your gift in the offering plate
- **GIVE on our Website:** Online at onrealm.org/stfrancisinthe fields/give/now
- **GIVE on our Mobile Church App:** Install the Realm Connect app on your smartphone, log in, and select "Give"

PARISH PRAYERS

Please pray for those in our parish with needs ... Geoff Brandreth, Don Lurding, Blair Louis, Jim Morgan, Julian Van Winkle, the Birch Family, Don Graeter, Tom Kelley, Robert Vice III, Ina Bond, and Joe Caruso.

Pray for those in our parish who serve in the military ... 2LT Baxter Argo, 1LT Brian Bongiovi, CPT Drew Borinstein, STEC4 Danilo Caldeira, MMN2 Charles Floyd, MIDN John Floyd, ENS Sam Floyd, SP5 Calvin Gall, MAJ Hardy Hendren, 1LT Cason Nelson, MIDN Christopher Paris, LTJG Will Paris, FN Joe Parsons, CPT Chris Russo, LCDR Kristen Blair Samardzic, LCDR Serge Samardzic, CPT Luke Schmidt, Jr., and CDR Lawrence Williams.

Pray for our Louisville Fellows ... Jordan Carter, Coltrane Cheatham, Mercy Enemuo, Faith Galgalo, and Zach Kawa.

Pray for those children and youth celebrating their birthdays this week ... Charlotte Chapman, Elizabeth Vice, William Paxton, Margaret Edelen, Meghan Donis, and Julia Decker.

Pray for ... our brothers and sisters who suffer for the sake of Christ, especially the Church in Bahrain.

Pray for ... our enemies and those who wish us harm.

If you have a family member or friend who you would like added to the Parish Prayers, please notify the parish office.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The greenery in the church this week is given to the glory of God.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

8:00 *Lector and Usher:* Powell Starks

9:00 *Lectors:* Jerry Lyon, Mitzi Root
Chalice Bearers: Bob Vice, Mary W. Davis, Bill Receveur, Robert Rebecchi
Acolytes: Luke Alsauskas, Leo Falk, Rory DeMasie

11:15 *Lectors:* Justin Leighty, Sallie Clark
Chalice Bearers: Julie Allen, Carolyn Fass, Foster Beeuwkes, Cindi Calvert
Acolytes: Alice Calabrese, John Calabrese, Abigail Grady, Lydia Grady

5:00 *Lector:* Steve Brown
Chalice Bearers: Carolyn Fass

Altar Guild: Simmons Falk, Hamilton Kemper, Aaron Calhoun, Richmond Simpson, Andrew Booker, and Will Decker

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Memorial Donations for Worship ... Submit by TOMORROW, Monday, March 23 Each year we offer parishioners a way to help with the cost of flowers used to decorate the church, beautiful instrumental music, and other worship needs for our Easter Sunday services. There are envelopes in the Narthex for your donation and space for you to write names of loved ones you would like honored or memorialized. Names will be printed in the leaflets of all our Easter services. All names are due TOMORROW, Monday, March 23, in order to be listed in the leaflets. You can also donate online through Realm! Please note: if you are giving online and would like to give towards multiple ministries (flowers, music, and general Easter worship expenses), you will have to make multiple donations—that is, you will need to donate to each individually. Please also make sure to type the name or names you would like included on the

Memo line if you give through Realm. If you have any questions, please email Elizabeth Girardy at ElizabethG@sfitf.org. Thank you for contributing to our Easter worship in this special way!

Feast of the Annunciation ... Wednesday, March 25, at 8:00 a.m. A service of Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist will be held in the Davenport Chapel on Wednesday, March 25, in observance of the Feast of the Annunciation. This holy day marks the Angel Gabriel's visit to the Virgin Mary to announce that she would bear the Son of God. Mthr. Barbara White will preside and all are invited.

A Service of Tenebrae ... Wednesday, April 1, at 8:00 p.m. From the Latin for "darkness," or "shadows," Tenebrae is the celebration of morning prayer in the days preceding Easter. Traditionally, these daily offices were sung in the early hours of the morning or anticipated the evening before as darkness was setting in. A candelabra features prominently, and after the recitation of the appointed psalms, candles are gradually extinguished to the point of total darkness. Don't miss this powerful liturgy, the perfect way to immerse yourself in the journey of Holy Week as we move from darkness to light.

Gethsemane Watch ... Beginning Thursday, April 2, at 8:00 p.m. This year during Holy Week, we are reprising our "Gethsemane Watch" from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. the night of Maundy Thursday. In honor of our Lord's commandment to his disciples to "keep watch" while he prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane, we are encouraging parishioners to sit—in designated chunks of time—with the sacred elements of bread and wine through the course of Thursday night. Sign up using the sign-up sheet located on the front desk in the parish office.

Just Lunch Ladies' Group at Osteria ... Thursday, April 2, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The ladies of St. Francis are invited to join our Just Lunch group at Osteria for our April gathering! If you are planning to attend, please RSVP to Elizabeth Gillette at (502) 645-8992 (call or text) by Monday, March 30.

We Have Seen the Lord! ... Sundays at 10:15 a.m. beginning April 12 Each scriptural account of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is laden with detail and nuance, and each has something to teach disciples today. Join us for an Easter Rector's Forum studying the accounts of the Resurrection in Holy Scripture. We'll look at well-loved stories like Doubting Thomas, the Road to Emmaus, and the narratives of the empty tomb to encounter the Risen Christ alongside those first disciples.

Young Adult Ministry Service Opportunity ... Saturday, April 18, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Help us love and serve our community by distributing food to families in need at the Dare to Care Drive-Through Food Pantry at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Every third Saturday of the month from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. No experience needed. Dress for the weather—we'll be outside! Can't serve for the whole time? That's okay! Come and go as your schedule allows. Please contact Laura Kellow with any questions at (404) 731-8345.

Memorial Scholarship Fund ... Applications are due May 15! Applications are once again invited for our Memorial Scholarship Fund! To be eligible for a grant of aid, an applicant (or the applicant's family) must be a communicant of St. Francis in the Fields. Preference is given to:

- those preparing for the Christian ministry and are enrolled in a theological seminary or Christian college
- those who need financial assistance to pursue a college education
- children of this parish who need special training due to physical or mental impairment or disability

Application forms are available in the Parish Office at the front desk. Completed applications must be returned by **May 15, 2026**, to the Parish Office, attention Caroline Eager.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Board Game Night ... Sunday, March 22, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Come hang out TONIGHT as we gather for dinner, prayer and a night of games around the Vicarage!

REGISTER TODAY: Saint Michael's Conference ... July 26-August 1 Saint Michael's Conference is a week-long summer conference that centers on worship, discussion, recreation, and relaxation, so young adults can seek a clearer vision of God in Christ. This once-a-year camp takes place in West Hartford, Connecticut, and gathers Anglican high schoolers and college students from all over the country. Registration (due March 25) is now open on Realm. Do let Dcn. Nathan know you've registered. The cost of the camp itself is \$635, covering room and board. Financial aid is available both from the Conference and from St. Francis.

Youth Stations of the Cross ... Sunday, March 29, 6:00-7:30 p.m. For Sunday Night Youth Group on March 29, also known as Palm Sunday, the Youth of St. Francis will spend some extra time in prayer and preparation for Holy Week. Join us as we follow the Stations of the Cross.

Youth at the Paddock Shops ... Sunday, April 12, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Come hang out at the Paddock Shops on Sunday, April 12! We will get dinner together at Qdoba and a sweet treat at Kilwin's Ice Cream. Meet at the Vicarage at 6:00 p.m. and we will return by 7:30 p.m. Please bring money for dinner and ice cream.

Middle School Summer Camp at Camp Loucon ... June 14-19 This summer, send your middle schooler to a one-of-a-kind camp experience at Camp Loucon! Loucon Training and Retreat Center is located in Leitchfield, Kentucky, and is committed to providing deep experiences of God's love in Christian community. Dcn. Nathan will be coordinating travel and will assist in leading Voyager Summit (7th-8th Grade) June 14-19. Sign up on Realm to let Dcn. Nathan know you are attending and complete registration and payment on Loucon's website at camloucon.org/summer-camp.

CHILDREN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Stations of the Cross ... Friday, April 3, at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Want to talk to your children about Good Friday, but not sure how? Join us on Friday, April 3, for a Children's Stations of the Cross. This simple, outdoor liturgy, held in the Back Bowl before our Good Friday liturgies, will help children encounter the mystery of the Crucifixion of Jesus—and the wonderful love of God—in a gentle and age-appropriate way.

Easter Egg Hunt ... Sunday, April 5, at 10:30 a.m. Your children are invited to come hunt for Easter eggs on the morning of Easter, rain or shine! Spectacular treats are in store for all seekers as we continue this beloved tradition. Meet us in Graves Hall immediately after the 9:00 a.m. service. All will be dismissed at the same time to hunt and peck!

Vacation Bible School Registration Now Open! ... June 15-19 Join us for "Journey with Jesus," our 2026 Vacation Bible School! This week we'll embark on an epic adventure of faith, with Jesus and his Church as our guide. VBS is for ages Pre-K to 5th Grade. Pack your bag, get out your map, and prepare for the adventure of a lifetime! There is a suggested donation of \$25 per child, \$75 max per family. All are welcome at VBS--if cost is prohibitive, please check the "fee waiver" box when you register. Those who volunteer at VBS are welcome to bring their children for free!

Volunteers Needed for VBS! This summer our children are embarking on an epic Journey With Jesus, and we need your help to make it happen! Vacation Bible School runs June 15–19 from 9:00 a.m. to noon, and we're looking for volunteers for all sorts of roles, from group guides to keep the kids together as they explore different stops on their VBS journey, to creative leaders for snack, story, and craft stations. Not sure you can commit to a full week or can lead a station? We also need assistants to help with registration, set up, and clean up, and a prep team to help set up the week before. Whatever your gifts, there's a place for you. Find job descriptions and express interest on Realm.

Communion With Children Class ... Sunday, May 3 and May 17, 10:15 am Have questions about kids and Holy Communion? Want to know more about how to talk to your kids about the Blessed Sacrament? This class is for you! Whether your kids (or grandkids) are not yet receiving or are already receiving, you are invited to join and learn more about kids and Communion. The first session is for parents only and meets in Room 201; the second session is for parents with children and meets in the church Nave. Register today!

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