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Sunday, March 17, 2024 – Fifth Sunday in Lent Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

SERVICE NOTES: *We are glad you have joined us! If you are online:* We have posted a hymn insert, which also has other helpful information about attending online. *If you are in person:* The hymns can be found in the hymn book in the pew rack in front of you, with some of the service music printed within the text. Masks are optional at this time, but we want everyone to take whatever precautions they deem appropriate. We encourage you to sing and pray actively. Thank you and welcome!

PRELUDE “Prélude en Fa”
“Prélude en Do”

Samuel Ducommun

The ministers enter in silence. Please stand as you are able.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

Presider Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.”

CONFESSION OF SIN *Please kneel or stand for the Confession.*

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may follow.*

Presider and People

**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.

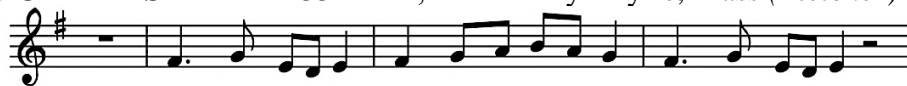
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Presider stands and says,

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 are invited to sing the Song of Praise. Please stand, as you are able.

SONG OF PRAISE EOM1 33 “Lord, have mercy” Kyrie, Mass (*Fletcher*)



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. —

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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 *Please be seated for the readings.*

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Please join in reading from Psalm 51.

- 1 **Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.**
- 2 **Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.**
- 3 **For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.**
- 4 **Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.**

- 5 And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins, *
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence, *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again, *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:5-10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN *Shaker Tune*

Choir: Oh, the beautiful treasure laid up for the wise; how precious the value, how glorious the prize.

All: **Oh, the beautiful treasure laid up for the wise; how precious the value, how glorious the prize.**

Choir: Far brighter than diamonds, the Word of God shines down to enlighten the path we trod.

All: **Oh, the beautiful treasure laid up for the wise; how precious the value, how glorious the prize.**

GOSPEL

John 12:20-33

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life

in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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

SERMON

THE CREED *Please stand, as you are able.*

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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 *The Leader and the People pray responsively.*

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Leader Creator Lord, you have given us eyes to see ourselves as we truly are and the heart to accept your free gift of grace. Fill us now with the courage to step forward in faith, to repent of our sins, and to turn the life we have been given to your guidance and your service.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,

People **We now confess and begin again.**

Leader Creator Lord, impel the political leaders in our world, in our nation, and in our community, to rally to your call and forsake the temptations and vanity of power, and to govern with integrity, equity, and truth.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,

People **We now confess and begin again.**

Leader Creator Lord, fortify and energize all who are anointed to bring us your Word and Sacraments. As they shepherd us in faith, we walk together toward wholeness in you. We pray especially for our Bishop Megan, our Rector Pamela, our clergy, our staff, and all the lay leaders of this church.
(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,
People **We now confess and begin again.**

Leader Creator Lord, sustain the faith and dispel the despair of all who are ill in body, mind, or spirit, and of all who attend to their needs. We now join our voices to pray for all those in need, and especially those on our parish prayer list.
(The deacon will share prayer requests and then invite the congregation to add their prayer requests).

Leader O God of mercy,
People **We now confess and begin again.**

Leader Creator Lord, lift us from our grief into the hope of eternal life and joy, reunited with all who now live again in glory with you.
(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of mercy,
People **We now confess and begin again.**

Presider O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord with sensitivity to those who wish to maintain physical distance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the announcement insert, and feel free to take this bulletin home with you. If you do not currently receive an email from us with current news and events, please reach out to info@churchofstmartin.org.

CELEBRATIONS AND MILESTONES *All may join in praying.*

Watch over your children O Lord, as their days increase: bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Presider Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY NOTES

The ushers will pass collection plates. Online giving is also available; just look for the blue "GIVE" button on our website or the QR code near the back of this bulletin, or contact the office for more information. We are very grateful to those who have pledged and who give regularly, as well as for all plate offerings.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Create a Pure Heart in Me,” Susan Matsui

Sung by the Choir

Create a pure heart in me, O Lord. Grant me a new and steadfast spirit.
Do not drive me away from thy presence, or take thy Spirit from me.
Revive in me the joy of deliverance, Grant me a steady soul to uphold me.
Open thou my lips, everlasting Lord, that my mouth may sing thy praises.
Thou takest no delight in sacrifice, nor hast thou any wish for whole offering.
My sacrifice, Lord, is a broken soul, my offering, a contrite heart. *(from Psalm 51)*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *(Franconia)*

Please join in singing

**We give thee but thine own, / Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, / A trust, O God, from thee.** —William Walsham Howe

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as you are able, for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.**

The Presider continues

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *Please join in saying*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The People stand or kneel. The Presider continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

Presider and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Presider continues

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers:

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Sarah, Rebecca, and Leah;

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion
make us one body, one spirit in Christ,
that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Presider and People

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

The Presider continues

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, *(first in Spanish and then in English,)*

People and Presider

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos a los
que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,
y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.
Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

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

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ABOUT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table, children included. Gluten-free Communion hosts are available; please ask. Come forward down the center aisle for Communion. Choose the station on the left for intinction by the priest or the station on the right to drink from the common cup. The customary response upon receiving Communion is "Amen." Crossing your arms over your chest indicates you would like a blessing instead of Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC WLP 760 "O wheat, whose crushing was for bread" (*Helensong*) *On page 10*
LEVASII 88 "My faith looks up to thee" *On page.11*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand as you are able.*

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

BLESSING *The Presider offers a blessing and the People respond Amen.*

The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN Hymnal 473 "Lift high the cross" (*Crucifer*) *In the Hymnal.*

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The People depart in silence.

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

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Wonder, Love, and Praise 760 "O wheat, whose crushing was for bread" (*Helensong*)

1. O wheat, whose crush - ing was for bread, O
 2. O fruit whose crush - ing was for wine, O
 3. O life whose crush - ing was for love, O

bread whose break - ing is for life, O life, your seem - ing end is
 wine whose flow - ing is for blood, O blood, your pour - ing out is
 love whose spend - ing was to death, O death, your mourn - ing is our

seed, a seed for wheat, our bread and life.
 life, our life in you, O fruit - ful vine.
 joy, full joy and birth to last - ing life.

Words: Delores Dufner, OSB (b. 1939). Music: *New Life*, Shirley W. McRae (b. 1933).

Lift Every Voice and Sing II 88 “My faith looks up to thee”

1. My faith looks up to thee, Thou lamb of
 2. May thy rich grace im - part Strength to my
 3. While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs a -
 4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold,

1. Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine!
 2. faint - ing heart, My zeal in - spire;
 3. round me spread, Be thou my guide;
 4. sul - len stream Shall o'er me roll;

1. Now hear me while I pray, Take all my guilt a - way;
 2. As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee
 3. Bid dark-ness turn to - day, Wipe sor - row's tears a - way;
 4. Blest Sav - ior, then in love, Fear and dis - trust re - move,

1. O let me from this day Be whol - ly thine.
 2. Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire.
 3. Not let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.
 4. O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul.