

# ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

## The Third Sunday in Lent

Sun, March 23, 2025, 10:30am Eucharist

*The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is attended by Renata (RECE). All babies and young children are welcome!*

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### Welcome & Announcements

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*We gather with song and prayer as the People of God*

#### Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy)

PLEASE STAND

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,  
Chris - te e - le - i - son, Chris - te e - le - i - son,  
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Choir: Lord Jesus, you give your laws to guide us as we follow your journey.

All: **Christe eleison . . .**

Choir: You come now in word and sacrament to strengthen us on our journey.

All: **Kyrie eleison . . .**

#### The Apostolic Greeting

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **God's mercy endures for ever.**

#### Invitation to Confession and Absolution

PLEASE KNEEL AS YOU ARE ABLE

*Lent is the season for sober reflection on the ways in which we fall short of God's ideal for us. As such, it is customary to begin our worship with a penitent heart.*

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to God's table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

All: **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 neighbours 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.**

**Presider:** Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn: #179** Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery (vv. 1, 2, 6c)

PLEASE STAND

*During this hymn, we are sprinkled with water as a symbol of God's forgiveness and our new life in Christ.*

- 1 Tree of Life and awesome mystery, in your death we are reborn;  
Though you die in all of history, still you rise with every morn,  
Still you rise with every morn.
- 3 We remember truth once spoken, love passed on through act and word;  
Every person lost and broken wears the body of our Lord,  
Wears the body of our Lord.
- 6d Living Water of salvation, be the fountain of each soul;  
Springing up in new creation, flow in us and make us whole,  
Flow in us and make us whole.

### **Prayer of the Day**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

*We read and respond to God's message in scripture*

PLEASE BE SEATED

**First Reading:** Isaiah 55:1-9

*Read by Mary Coppard*

*A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.*

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)*



**Cantor:** The heavens declare the glory of God . . .  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

**People:** **O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.**  
**O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

**Choir:** Although they have no words or language . . .  
and their message to the ends of the world.

**People:** **O Lord, hear my prayer . . .**

**Choir:** In the deep has he set a pavilion . . .  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

**People:** **O Lord, hear my prayer . . .**

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

*Read by Mary Bartle*

*A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Church in Corinth.*

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)*

**Gospel Acclamation:** We Are not Alone (P. Choplin)

PLEASE STAND

### **The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:1-9**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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

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

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them – do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

**People: Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon:** Fr. Andrew

*(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)*

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Led by Mary Coppard*

*Please respond to the petition "Lord, in your mercy," with the response, "hear our prayer."*

**All: 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 for ever. Amen.**

### **The Peace**

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)*

## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

*We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith*

### **Offertory Hymn: #43 From All the Wind's Wide Quarters**

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 From all the wind's wide quarters, come, see the feast is spread,  
Of soul-sustaining waters, of true and living bread;  
Of sorrows long-departed, and joys beyond compare--  
Come, poor and humble-hearted, the feast of life to share!
- 2 With mercy all-prevailing God bids the wanderer come;  
In grace and peace unfailing invites the children home.  
With loving-kindness tender, God frees us from our sins--  
In glory and in splendour the feast of life begins!

- 3 Come, claim the promise spoken! God's purpose stands secure.  
The fruitful word unbroken shall evermore endure.  
All ancient bondage ended to sin's corrupting powers--  
Forgiven, freed, befriended, the feast of life is ours!

### Prayer Over the Gifts

#### Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

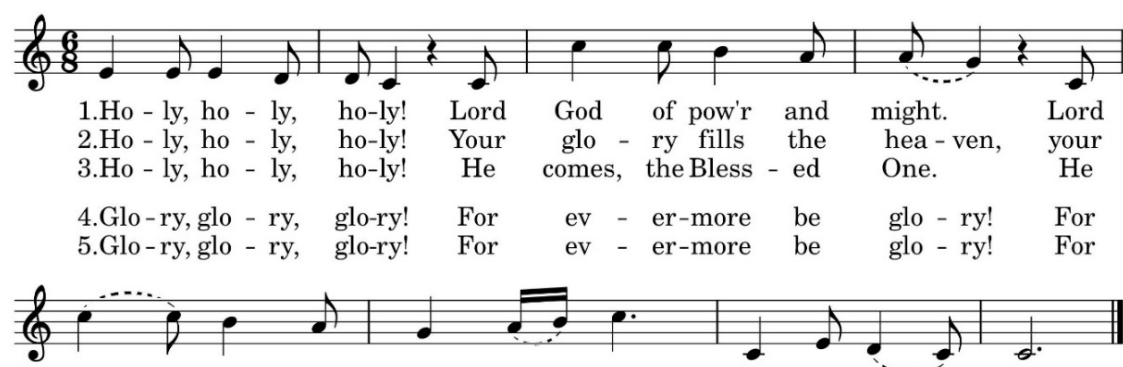
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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


Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus following:*



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly! Lord God of pow'r and might. Lord  
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly! Your glo - ry fills the hea - ven, your  
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly! He comes, the Bless - ed One. He  
4. Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo-ry! For ev - er-more be glo - ry! For  
5. Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo-ry! For ev - er-more be glo - ry! For



God of pow'r, Lord God of might! Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!  
glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth! Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!  
comes in the name of the Lord! Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!  
ev - er-more be glo - ry to you! Glo - ry be to you!  
ev - er-more be glo - ry to you! A - men! A - men!

TRADITIONAL ARGENTINIAN

*The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice we sing the following:*

**People: (verse 4) Glory, glory, glory! Forevermore be glory!  
Forevermore be glory to you! Glory be to you!**

*The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing the following:*

**People: (verse 5) Glory, glory, glory! Forevermore be glory!  
Forevermore be glory to you! Amen, amen!**

#### The Breaking of the Bread #7

Presider: We break this bread,

**All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Presider: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**All: If we have died with him, we shall live with him;  
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

## Song for the Breaking of Bread



O Lamb of God, you take a - way, you take a - way the



sin - - - of the world,

1.Lord

have

2.Lord

have

3.Give

us your



mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord.  
mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord.  
peace, O give us your peace, Lord.

*Music: Carl Orff  
Carmina Burana*

**Presider:** The gifts of God for the people of God.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## The Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

*All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion.  
If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this.  
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

## Music during Communion

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup (CP #63)



Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun - gry,



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

*Music: Jacques Berthier  
Taizé Community  
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Choir: I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father.  
People: **Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.**

Choir: Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven.  
People: **Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .**

Choir: Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise you up on the last day.  
People: **Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .**

Choir: Anyone who eats this bread, will live forever.  
People: **Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .**

Choir: If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life.  
People: **Eat this bread, drink this cup . . .**

Anthem: Ave Verum

W. Byrd

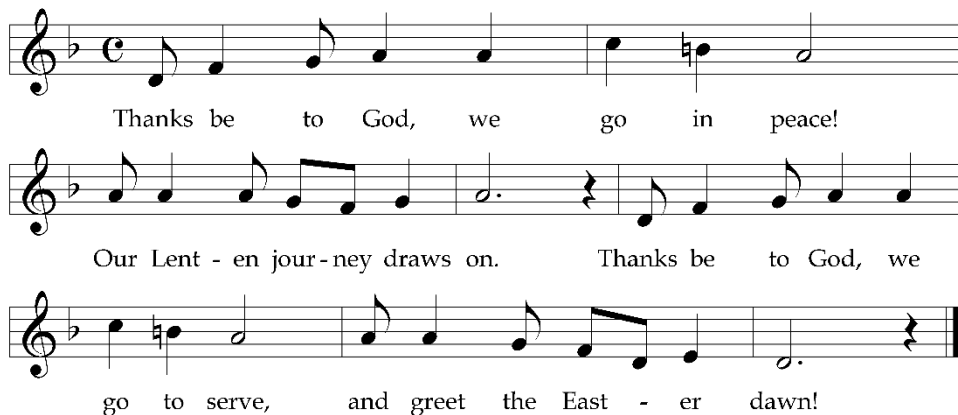
### Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

### Blessing

### Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.



Music: D. Cowling  
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*In the spirit of Lent, you are invited to take time for silent reflection and prayer before departing.*

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