

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 18, 2018

10:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

The service begins on page 351 in the Book of Common Prayer

VOLUNTARY: Wondrous Love

Arr. D. N. Johnson

A PENITENTIAL ORDER: RITE TWO

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

THE DECALOGUE

Celebrant: Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: Honor your father and your mother.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not commit murder.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not commit adultery.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not steal.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not be a false witness.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

The Celebrant may read the following sentences:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8,9*

Since we have a great high priest, who has passed into the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14, 16*

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People

CONFESSION OF SIN

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.

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.**

Celebrant: Will all those going to Sunday School please come forward?

Celebrant and Congregation: **Children of God, go forth to receive God's Word. May it light your way, fill your hearts with love, and your lives with hope and joy. Amen.**

Those going to Sunday school will now follow the cross on the way.

KYRIE:

HYMNAL S-91

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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 LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 119:9-16 [*sung by the choir*]

Anglican Chant: S. S. Wesley

- 9 How shall a young man cleanse his way? * By keeping to your words.
- 10 With my whole heart I seek you; * let me not stray from your commandments.
- 11 I treasure your promise in my heart, * that I may not sin against you.
- 12 Blessed are you, O Lord; * instruct me in your statutes.
- 13 With my lips will I recite * all the judgments of your mouth.
- 14 I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees * than in all manner of riches.

15 I will meditate on your commandments * and give attention to your ways.

16 My delight is in your statutes; * I will not forget your word.

THE EPISTLE: Hebrews 5:5-10

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN: Beneath the cross of Jesus

Hymnal 498

THE GOSPEL: John 12:20-33

Gospeler 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.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON:

The Rev. Dr. Nancee Martin

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The hour has come; now is the time to glorify God's name. Let us intercede for the church and for all God's creation, turning to God and saying: Lord, your kingdom come.

You are our God:

May those who are poor and those who are rich, those near and those far, welcome your covenant of peace. We pray: **Lord, your kingdom come.**

We are your people:

Be with those who will receive your promise in baptism at Easter. We pray: **Lord, your kingdom come.**

You honor those who choose to serve:

Help us to be true followers of your servant Son. We pray: **Lord, your kingdom come.**

We know that we must die so that we may truly live: strengthen all who suffer in mind or body especially Susan and Skip Brown, James, Jean, Susannah, John, Jack, Jacquelyn, George, Wilson, Genya and Jen.

We pray: **Lord, your kingdom come.**

You draw all people to yourself:

Bring us out of our slavery to possessions and away from the desire for wealth. We pray: **Lord, your kingdom come.**

We offer our prayers for all who have died, especially Elizabeth, that they may be at peace. We pray: **Lord, your kingdom come.**

Lord God, show us the way of obedience through patient endurance and the way of glory through the law written in our hearts. Hear our prayers and come to our aid. We pray through Christ our Lord.

THE PEACE

BCP, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Create in Me a Clean Heart

Ebenezer Prout

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.
Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

-Psalm 51:10-13

DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 380 (v. 3)

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP, p. 361

PROPER PREFACE: Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

SANCTUS

Hymnal S-129

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

FRACTION: Lamb of God (*Agnus Dei*)

Hymnal S-158

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION: Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord

F. Mendelssohn

Cast thy burden upon the Lord,
And he shall sustain thee.
He never will suffer the righteous to fall.
He is at thy right hand.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER:

BCP, p. 365

CLOSING HYMN: Lift high the cross

Hymnal 473

DISMISSAL *Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY: Improvisation on *Crucifer*

SPECIAL PRAYERS

We pray for peace throughout the world.
We pray for our companion dioceses of Cuba and Peru, and especially for our companion parish,
The Church of the Anunciacion in Florida, Cuba.

We pray for those who are ill, especially for
Susan and Skip Brown, James, Jean, Susannah, John, Jack, Jacquelyn, George, Wilson

We pray for strength and guidance for
Genya Tregubova, Jen

We pray for those who have died, especially Elizabeth.
May their souls, through the mercy of god, rest in peace.

We pray for all who are serving in our Armed Forces and Intelligence Forces,
both at home and abroad, especially for
Zachary, Brooker, Carrie, Lawrence, Bennett, Caleb, Rich

We give thanks for birthdays being celebrated this week

Tom Sawyer 3/18
Tim Burleigh 3/20
Raleigh Bunk 3/22

Elizabeth Del Carmen 3/24
Martha Davis 3/24

The attendance on March 11, 2018
8:00 am: 13 10:00 am: 94
2018 Budgeted Offerings: \$395,000
Year to Date Actual Offerings through March 11, 2018: \$76,563
Needed Each Week: \$7,596
Received March 11, 2018: \$18,624

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome to The Church of the Good Shepherd – Good morning! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us this morning and we invite you to fully participate in our services. This leaflet outlines the service from the red Book of Common Prayer, including page numbers for the services, hymn numbers from the blue hymnal, scripture readings and further directions related to our services. Following the 8:00 am service we invite everyone for “Gospel, Coffee and Conversation” in Craig Lounge. After the 10:00 am service we invite everyone for coffee and conversation in Craig Lounge. We hope you will join us weekly at the service of your choice. Peace and blessings!

WELCOME To Parents of Young Children: RELAX! God put the wiggle in children; don’t feel you have to suppress those wiggles in God’s house.

- Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what’s going on. They may tire of seeing the backs of others’ heads.
- Quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the priests, musicians, and leaders.
- Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by mimicking you.
- If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but PLEASE come back. As Jesus said, “Let the children come to me.”

Remember the way that we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know they are at home in this house of worship.

TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH: The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

- Nursery – Our nursery is staffed every Sunday by Miss Seida and Miss Anela from 8:30 am until 11:30 am. The nursery is located in the Toddler room of the school wing. If you need assistance, please speak to an usher who can direct you to the nursery.
- Children’s Worship Activity Bags – We welcome all children during our worship services. Activity bags can be found in the back of the church with age-appropriate items so that children can be engaged during the service. Please don’t hesitate to speak to an usher at any time during the service for these special additions provided for your children.
- **The Passion Gospel According to Mark: Dramatic Reading Sunday, March 25, Palm Sunday** – In keeping with our tradition at Good Shepherd, we will do a dramatic reading of the Passion Gospel According to Mark during the 10:00 am service on March 25th, Palm Sunday. There are 14 reading parts, some are group parts, in the Gospel. The readings are done by members of the congregation while sitting in their pews. If you are interested in reading please contact Susannah Sands susannahsands@hotmail.com for more information, to select your part, and a copy of the Passion Gospel According to Mark.
- Memorial Service – There will be a memorial service at Good Shepherd for long time parishioner, Carole Burke on Saturday, April 7th at 11 am.
- Thirsty for Fellowship Thursday – Mark Thursday, April 5th on your calendar for Thirsty for Fellowship Thursday hosted by Adele and Kirby Griffin. Please bring an appetizer and your adult beverage of choice to their home 4619 Algonquin Ave. from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. No need to RSVP just come and join the fun!
- Palm Fronds Needed – If you have palm trees or palmetto bushes in your yard and would be willing to safely remove some fronds, we would love to have them for our Palm Sunday services. Bring your palm fronds to the church office this week Monday - Thursday between 9 am - 4 pm.
- Easter Offering Envelopes – Easter flower and music offering envelopes have been placed in the pews and the narthex. Completed envelopes may be placed in the offering plate or sent to the parish office by Palm Sunday, March 25th in order for names to be printed in the Easter bulletins.

- Adopt an Easter Flower Box - If you would like to adopt an Easter flower box, please sign up on the poster in the narthex. The liners for the boxes will be available the week before Easter for you to take home and fill with flowers of your choosing. Bring your liner back Saturday morning, March 31st and place it in one of the window boxes in the church. Flower messages need to be received in the parish office by Palm Sunday, March 25th.
- Flowering the Cross - We invite everyone to bring flowers from their yard and gardens to flower the cross in the narthex on Easter morning, transforming it into something beautiful, new and alive in celebration of the Resurrection of Christ!
- Wednesday Eucharist and Adult Formation - Our weekly Wednesday Eucharist takes place at 5:30 in the chapel. The service will focus on St. Joseph. At 6:00 pm we continue our Lenten Environmental Series with Dr. Michael Coffey speaking about Climactic Change and Our Responsibilities. Dr. Coffey is Professor of Physics at University of the South, Sewanee, and delegate to the Presiding Bishop's UN Climate Change Conference. Everyone is welcome.
- Donations to St. Catherine's Food Pantry - This week we are suggesting oatmeal, grits and granola bars. Please note that all non perishable items are accepted and sincerely appreciated. Treats for children are also welcome. Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry.
- Blessing Box - Our blessing box at the Forbes Street entrance is in need of donations of non-perishable food items, especially those in pop-top cans. We have added a basket in the narthex to receive donated items for our neighborhood ministry. Please be as generous as you can.

Lenten Environmental Series at Good Shepherd

The Church of the Good Shepherd invites you to join us as we consider our stewardship of the earth, our island home, this Lent. Weekly Wednesday events are in Craig Lounge from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. They include:

March 21 - Climactic Change and Our Responsibilities, Dr. Michael Coffey, Professor of Physics, University of the South, Sewanee, and delegate to the Presiding Bishop's U.N. Climate Change Conference

April 11 - Spirituality in an Era of Rising Tides, The Rev. Celeste Tisdelle Rector, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Green Cove Springs

For more information contact Joe T. Porter, jtporter@earthlink.net

SAVE THE DATE
6th Annual Cuban Fiesta
Saturday, April 14, 2018
(Details to Follow)

Holy Week Calendar

Monday

5:00 pm – Children’s Chapel (Church)

6:00 pm – Stations of the Cross (Church)

Tuesday

5:30 pm – Evening Prayer (Chapel)

Wednesday

5:30 pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
followed by Healing Prayers in the Courtyard

Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm – Foot Washing, Holy Eucharist &
Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday

12:00 pm & 7:00 pm – Good Friday Liturgy

Holy Saturday – Easter Eve

7:00 pm – Easter Vigil (incense will be used)

Easter Day

8:00 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

11:30 am – Easter Egg Hunt (Courtyard)

Weekly Calendar

Tuesday, March 20th

12:00 pm Centering Prayer (Rector's Office)

Wednesday, March 21st

5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

6:00 pm Lenten Environmental Series (Craig)

7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 25th

The Sunday of the Passion - Palm Sunday

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I)

9:10 am Gospel, Coffee and Conversation (Craig)

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

11:15 am. Coffee and Conversation (Craig)

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