



2 March 2022 7pm

**“Remember you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.”**

Genesis 3.19



Ash Wednesday
evening service

Welcome!

We bid you a very warm welcome to our worship. For everyone's safety, please face forward at all times during the service. We acknowledge our presence is on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples. Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired during the service; please contact one of our greeters.

The choir leads the Lent Prose and we all join in the refrain

Refrain (Cantor 1st time)

Hear us, O Lord, * have mer - cy up - on us:
for we have sinn'd a - gainst thee.

**Refrain: Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.**

- 1 To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory :
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings :
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications. *Refrain*
- 2 O thou chief Cornerstone, Right Hand of the Father :
Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial :
cleanse thou of our sinful souls from all defilement.
Refrain
- 3 God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated :
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children :
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses. *Refrain*
- 4 Sins oft committed now we lay before thee :
with true contrition, now no more we veil them :
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution. *Refrain*

- 5 Innocent, captive, taken unresisting :
falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced,
save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer. *Refrain*

Priest The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Collect of the Day

Priest Almighty and everlasting God,
you despise nothing you have made
and forgive the sins of all who are penitent.
Create and make in us new and contrite hearts,
that we, worthily lamenting our sins
and acknowledging our brokenness,
may obtain of you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please sit for a reading from the Book of Joel (Chapter 2.1-2, 12-17)

Reader Blow the trumpet in Zion;
sound the alarm on my holy mountain!
Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble,
for the day of the Lord is coming, it is near—
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness!
Like blackness spread upon the mountains
a great and powerful army comes;
their like has never been from of old,
nor will be again after them
in ages to come.

Yet even now, says the Lord,
return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
rend your hearts and not your clothing.
Return to the Lord, your God,

for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love,
and relents from punishing.
Who knows whether he will not turn and relent,
and leave a blessing behind him,
a grain-offering and a drink-offering
for the Lord, your God?

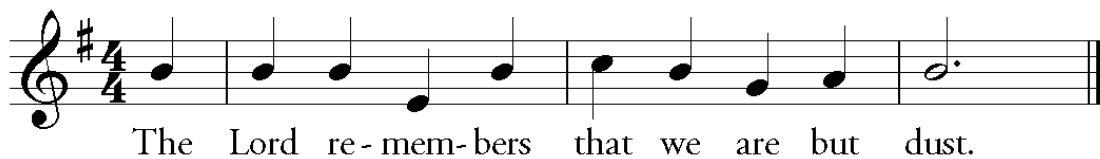
Blow the trumpet in Zion;
sanctify a fast;
call a solemn assembly;
gather the people.
Sanctify the congregation;
assemble the aged;
gather the children,
even infants at the breast.
Let the bridegroom leave his room,
and the bride her canopy.

Between the vestibule and the altar
let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep.
Let them say, 'Spare your people, O Lord,
and do not make your heritage a mockery,
a byword among the nations.
Why should it be said among the peoples,
'Where is their God?'

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain seated to chant Psalm 103.8-18

Cantor sings Refrain



All sing Refrain

Choir only ⁸ The Lord is full of com-'passion • and 'mercy, *
slow to anger 'and of 'great 'kindness.
⁹ He will not al-'ways ac-'cuse us, *
nor will you 'keep his 'anger • for ever.
¹⁰ He has not dealt with us according 'to our 'sins, *
nor rewarded us ac-'cording 'to our 'wickedness.
¹¹ For as the heavens are high a-'bove the 'earth, *
so is his mercy great upon 'those who 'fear 'him.

All sing Refrain

Choir only ¹² As far as the east is 'from the 'west, *
so far has he re-'moved our 'sins from 'us.
¹³ As a father cares 'for his 'children, *
so does the Lord care for 'those who 'fear 'him.
¹⁴ For he himself knows whereof 'we are 'made; *
He remembers 'that we 'are but 'dust.

All sing Refrain

Choir only ¹⁵ Our days are 'like the 'grass; *
we flourish like a 'flow-er 'of the 'field;
¹⁶ when the wind goes over it, 'it is 'gone, *
and its place shall 'know it 'no 'more.
¹⁷ But the merciful goodness of the Lord endures forever on
'those who 'fear him, *
and his righteousness on 'child-ren's 'child'ren;
¹⁸ on those who 'keep his 'covenant *
and remember the com-'mand-'ments and 'do them.

All sing Refrain

*Please remain seated for a reading from the second Letter of Paul to the
Corinthians (Chapter 5.20b-6.10)*

Reader 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.

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,
'At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.'

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Reader
All

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

Please rise as you are able to sing our Gradual Hymn No. 173 in Common Praise

- 1 Creator of the earth and skies,
to whom the words of life belong,
grant us your truth to make us wise;
grant us your power to make us strong.**
- 2 We have not known you: to the skies
our monuments of folly soar,
and all our self-wrought miseries
have made us trust ourselves the more.**
- 3 We have not loved you: far and wide
the wreckage of our hatred spreads,
and evils wrought by human pride
recoil on unrepentant heads.**

- 4 For this, our foolish confidence,
our pride of knowledge, and our sin,
we come to you in penitence;
in us the work of grace begin.
- 5 Teach us to know and love you, Lord,
and humbly follow in your way.
Speak to our souls the quickening Word,
and turn our darkness into day.

We remain standing for the Gospel

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus, king of might and glo-ry, Sav-ior of the

world, Sav-ior of the world. world.

To verses *accel.* *Last time*

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus, king of might and glory,
Savior of the world, Savior of the world.

Deacon Turn to the Lord with all your heart,
for the time of salvation is here.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus, king of might and glory,
Savior of the world, Savior of the world.

Deacon The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to
St Matthew. (Chapter 6.1-6, 16-21)

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Deacon 'Beware of practising your piety before others in order to
be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your
Father in heaven.

'So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet
before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in
the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I
tell you, they have received their reward. But when you
give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right
hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and
your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

'And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for
they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the
street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I
tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever
you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to
your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in
secret will reward you.

'And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the
hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show
others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have
received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your
head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen
not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your
Father who sees in secret will reward you.

'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where
moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and
steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,
where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves
do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there
your heart will be also.

At the conclusion of the Gospel

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.
All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon The Reverend Terry Shields Dirbas

Please rise as you are able

Priest Dear friends in Christ,
every year at the time of the Christian Passover we
celebrate our redemption through the death and
resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew
our life in the paschal mystery.
We begin this holy season by remembering our need for
repentance, and for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed
in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes, an
ancient sign, speaking of the frailty and uncertainty of
human life, and marking the penitence of the community as
a whole.

I invite you therefore, in the name of the Lord,
to observe a holy Lent
by self-examination, penitence, prayer,
fasting, and almsgiving,
and by reading and meditating on the word of God.
Let us kneel before our Creator and Redeemer.

Silence is kept

Please kneel as you are able to chant Psalm 51



¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your 'loving'-
kindness; *
in your great compassion 'blot out 'my off-'enses.



- ² Wash me through and through 'from my' wickedness *
and 'cleanse me 'from my' sin.
- ³ For I know 'my trans-'gressions, *
and my sin 'is ev-'er be-'fore me.
- ⁴ Against you only 'have I' sinned *
and done what is 'evil 'in your' sight.
And so you are justified 'when you' speak *
and 'upright 'in your' judgement.
- ⁵ Indeed, I have been wicked 'from my' birth, *
a sinner 'from my 'mother's' womb.
- ⁶ For behold, you look for truth 'deep with-'in me, *
and will make me under-'stand 'wisdom' secretly.
- ⁷ Purge me from my sin, and I 'shall be' pure; *
wash me, and I 'shall be 'clean in-'deed.
- ⁸ Make me hear of 'joy and' gladness, *
that the body you have 'broken 'may re-'joice.
- ⁹ Hide your face 'from my' sins *
and blot 'out all 'my in-'iquities.
- ¹⁰ Create in me a clean 'heart, O 'God, *
and renew a right 'spirit 'within 'me.
- ¹¹ Cast me not away 'from your' presence *
and take not your 'holy 'Spirit' from me.
- ¹² Give me the joy of your saving 'help a-'gain *
and sustain me 'with your 'bounti•ful 'Spirit.
- ¹³ I shall teach your ways 'to the' wicked, *
and sinners 'shall re-'turn to' you.
- ¹⁴ Deliver me from 'death, O' God, *
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness,
O 'God of 'my sal-'vation.
- ¹⁵ Open my 'lips, O' Lord, *
and my mouth 'shall pro-'claim your' praise.
- ¹⁶ Had you desired it, I would have 'offered' sacrifice, *
but you take no 'delight 'in burnt'-offerings.

¹⁷ The sacrifice of God is a 'troubled' spirit; *
a broken and contrite heart, O God, 'you will 'not
des-'pise.
Glory be to the Father, and 'to the 'Son,*
and 'to the 'Holy 'Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and 'ever 'shall be,*
world without 'end. 'A-'men.

Litany of Penitence

The celebrant and people say together

All **Most holy and merciful God,
we confess to you, to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints
in heaven and on earth,
that we have sinned by our own fault
in thought, word, and deed;
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

Priest We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind,
and strength. We have not loved our neighbours as
ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been
forgiven.

All **Have mercy on us, Lord.**

Priest We have been deaf to your call to serve as Christ served
us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have
grieved your Holy Spirit.

All **Have mercy on us, Lord.**

Priest We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the
pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

All **We confess to you, Lord.**

Priest Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation
of other people,

All **We confess to you, Lord.**

<i>Priest</i>	Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,
<i>All</i>	We confess to you, Lord.
<i>Priest</i>	Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,
<i>All</i>	We confess to you, Lord.
<i>Priest</i>	Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,
<i>All</i>	We confess to you, Lord.
<i>Priest</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,
<i>All</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Priest</i>	For all false judgements, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbours, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,
<i>All</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Priest</i>	For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,
<i>All</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Priest</i>	Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;
<i>All</i>	Hear us, Lord, for your mercy is great.
<i>Priest</i>	Almighty God, from the dust of the earth you have created us. May these ashes be for us a sign of our mortality and penitence, and a reminder that only by your gracious gift are we given eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
<i>All</i>	Amen.

Imposition of Ashes

Those who desire to receive ashes come forward, and the ashes are applied to the forehead of each person with the following words:

Priest Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

After all who desire ashes have received them, the Priest leads the congregation in the conclusion of the confession, all kneeling:

Priest Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,
All **That we may show forth your glory in the world.**

Priest By the cross and passion of your Son, our Lord,
All **Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

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

Please stand for the Peace

Priest The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

All may exchange a sign of God's peace

We sing Hymn No 179 in Common Praise

- 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.**
- 2 Seed that dies to rise in glory,
may we see ourselves in you;
if we learn to live your story
we may die to rise anew,
we may die to rise anew.**
- 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.**

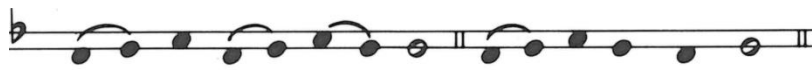
**4 Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
come inflame our hearts anew.
We may all your joy inherit
if we bear the cross with you,
if we bear the cross with you.**


**5 Christ, you lead and we shall follow,
stumbling though our steps may be;
one with you in joy and sorrow,
we the river you the sea,
we the river you the sea.**

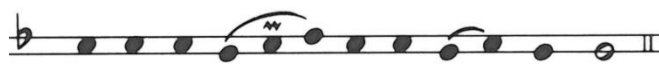
**6a Light of life beyond conceiving,
mighty Spirit of our Lord;
give new strength to our believing,
give us faith to live your word,
give us faith to live your word.**


Prayer over the gifts

<i>Priest</i>	Merciful God, turn us from sin to faithfulness. Accept our offering, and prepare us to celebrate the death and resurrection of Christ our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you now and for ever.
<i>All</i>	Amen.


The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

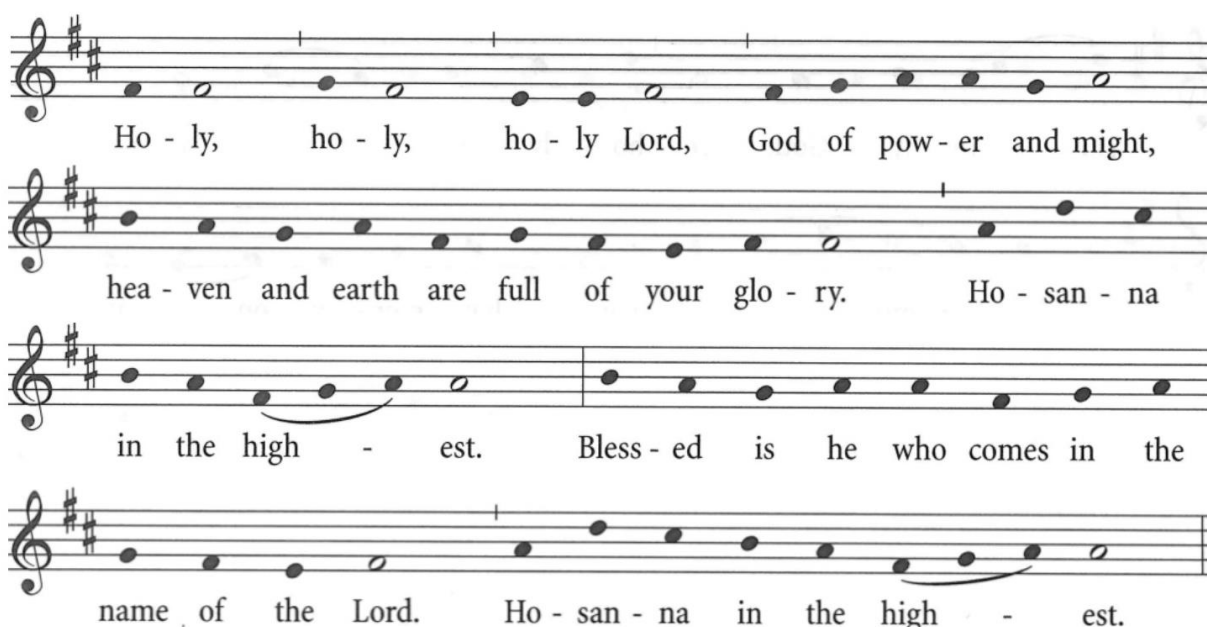

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth,
because you bid your faithful people
to cleanse their hearts
and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast;
that reborn through the waters of baptism
and renewed in the eucharistic mystery,
we may be more fervent in prayer
and more generous in the works of love.
Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise
to proclaim the glory of your name.



Priest

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
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;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
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.”

All

Therefore, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Priest

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.
We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ

and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

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

All **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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

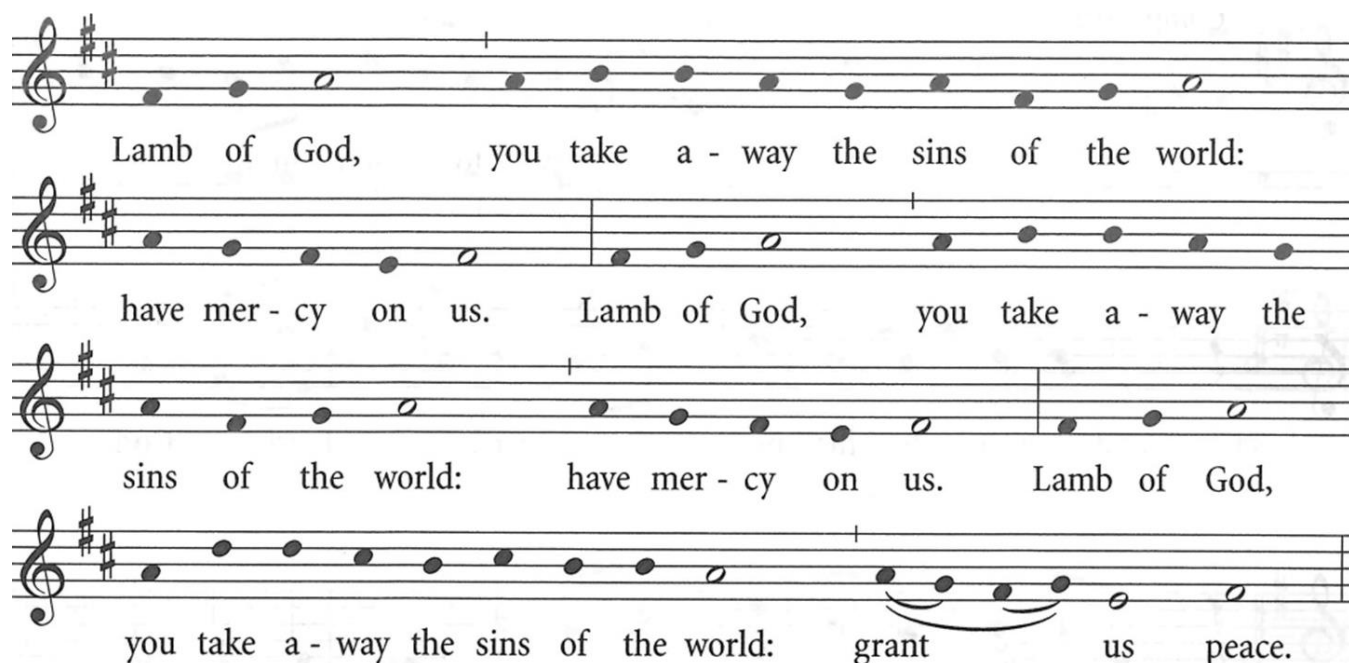
Priest We break this bread,

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

Priest 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.**

Priest The gifts of God for the people of God.
All **Thanks be to God.**



We invite all baptized Christians to receive Communion at our altar. If you wish to receive a blessing, please come at the same time. Wearing your mask, and sanitizing your hands, please come forward to the top of the main aisle, maintaining 2 metres distance from everyone. Communion of one kind (bread) will be given to you one at a time. Move to the side and consume the body of Christ, then return to your seat using the side aisles.

Communion Anthem Wash Me Thoroughly SS Wesley

*Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin.
For I acknowledge my faults and my sin is ever before me. (Psalm 51 vv 2,3)*

Please rise as you are able

Priest God of compassion,
 through your Son Jesus Christ
 you reconciled your people to yourself.
 Following his example of prayer and fasting,

may we obey you with willing hearts
and serve one another in holy love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All

Amen.

Priest

May the God of mercy transform you by his grace,
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All

Amen.

We sing our final Hymn, Lord who throughout these forty days, tune St Flavian

- 1 **Lord, who throughout these forty days,
For us did fast and pray,
Teach us with you to mourn our sins,
And close by you to stay.**
- 2 **As you with Satan did contend,
And did the vict'ry win,
O give us strength in you to fight,
In you to conquer sin.**
- 3 **As you did hunger bear and thirst,
So teach us, gracious Lord,
To die to self, and always live
By your most holy word.**
- 4 **And through these days of penitence,
And through your Passion-tide,
Forevermore, in life and death,
O Lord, with us abide.**
- 5 **Abide with us that when this life
Of suffering is past,
An Easter of unending joy
We may attain at last!**

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

During Lent there is no organ postlude.

Sunday in-person services 8am and 10am

Sunday online service

10am Holy Eucharist live-stream

Wednesday online service

8pm Midweek Meditation

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