# **CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

March 17, 2024 № 10:30 am



## The Word of God

Voluntary

Hymn # 495 Hail, thou once despised Jesus! In Babilone

Opening Acclamation BCP, p. 355

Collect for Purity p. 355

S-88\* Kyrie eleison McNeil Robinson

(The choir will sing each line and the congregation will repeat.)

# The Collect of the Day

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 First 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.



- 9 How shall a young man cleanse his **way**? \* By keeping to your **words**.
- With my whole heart I **seek you**; \* let me not stray from your com**mandments**.
- 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**.
- 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 Second Lesson 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.

Hymn # 439

What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

The Gospel

John 12:20-33

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.

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# **The Holy Communion**

The Offertory

Choir Anthem Turn thy face from my sins

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A BCP, p. 361

S-127\* Holy, holy, holy Lord Calvin Hampton

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

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The Communion of the People

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Baptized Christians are invited to receive bread and wine; all others are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

Kneel or stand as able.

Following the direction of the ushers, please come to the rail with pulpit side (right) filling rail from right to center, and lectern side (left) filling rail from center to left. If you need communion brought to you, please alert an usher.

As the clergy distributes the bread, hold both hands out and up.

To receive the wine:

- To sip from the chalice: Gently take the base of the chalice and guide the chalice to your mouth. Do not grab the main part of the chalice.
- To intinct: Hold your wafer up to indicate intinction to the chalicer. The chalicer will take the wafer from you, dip the edge into the wine and return it to your hand.

Those who wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

**During Communion** 

Hymn # 691 My faith looks up to thee Olivet

Post Communion Prayer p. 365

Prayer over the People

Celebrant: Bow down before the Lord.

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..

People: Amen. Hymn # 448 O love, how deep, how broad, how high Deus tuorum militum

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

\* "S" Hymns are found in the front section of the hymnal.

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#### SERVING TODAY

Celebrant & Preacher – The Rev. Webster Gibson

Lay Readers – Stacy Talbott, Joan Inger

Prayers of the People – Caroline Wingenbach

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