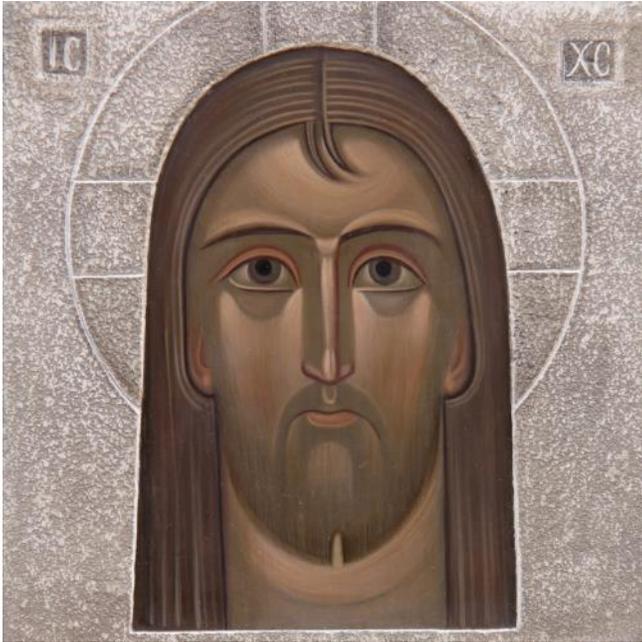




**Order of Service for April 3, 2022**  
**Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
**Service of Holy Eucharist**  
**9:30 am**  
**Officiating: The Rev'd Fergus Tyson**  
**Assisting: The Rev'd Betty Nadurak**



## OUR COMFORTER



*When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.*  
*John 11:33*

*We forget that Jesus did not give food to the many without having received some loaves and fishes from a stranger in the crowd; that he did not return the boy of Nain to his widowed mother without having felt her sorrow, that he did not raise Lazarus from the grave without tears and a sigh of distress that came straight from the heart. (Henri J. M. Nouwen, *Out of Solitude*, 31)*

Through the years, I offered heartfelt sympathy to many grieving spouses, and some heart-broken parents as well. But I couldn't fully empathize with them. I hadn't experienced the depth of their heartache.

But Jesus knows and feels our deepest pain and sorrow. His sigh of distress and tears at the grave of his dear friend, Lazarus, came straight from his grieving heart. Jesus became fully human, so that he could do more than sympathize with us. He fully understands and emphasizes with our pain and sorrow and struggles. In our times of loss and brokenness, our Lord is there, surrounding b us with his comforting touch and healing power.

When you know someone whose heart aches to hear a voice that has gone silent and to touch a face that is only in photos, pray for your Comforter to help you offer them comfort and support and hope. Many time, all you need to offer is a listening ear and a tender touch.

*Jesus, our Comforter, grant us the words and warmth to console others with the care and comfort we have received from you. Amen.*

*Lent Devotions - Drawn to the Cross; Inspiration from Henri J.M. Nouwen p.33*



# Service of Holy Eucharist

## The Gathering of the Community

### Welcome and Opening Prayer

**Opening Hymn:** RSB #27: Be Still, for the Presence (screens)

**Greeting:** BAS, p. 185 (screens)

**Collect for Purity** (screens)

**Trisagion** (screens)

**Collect of the Day:** BAS, p. 295 (screens)

## The Proclamation of the Word

### The First Reading

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

ISAIAH 43:16-21

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

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

**Psalms 126** (screens)

### The Second Reading

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee, as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by be-

coming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead. I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 3:4B-14

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

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

**Gradual Hymn:** RSB #183: Just a Closer Walk with Thee (screens)

### The Holy Gospel

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

JOHN 12:1-8

**Leader:** The Gospel of Christ.

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

### Sermon

**The Apostle's Creed** (screens)

### The Prayers of the People

**A Prayer for Ukraine** (screens)

**Prayer in Response to COVID-19** (screens)

**Litany** (screens)

**Leader:** Lord, in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Confession and Absolution (screens)

The Peace (screens)

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory (screens) (Instrumental: Take My Life, and Let It be)

Prayer over the Gifts (screens)

Eucharistic Prayer 2: BAS, p. 196 (screens)

The Lord's Prayer (screens)

The Breaking of the Bread (screens)

The Communion (screens)

Agnus Dei (screens)

Communion Hymns: RSB #198: Lord, be Glorified; RSB #311: There's Something about That Name; RSB #159: In Moments Like These (screens)

Prayer after Communion (screens)

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: CP #601: God, Whose Giving Knows No

Ending (screens)

Sending (screens)

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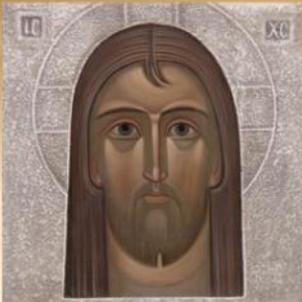
You're invited to join us for Coffee, immediately after the Service, in-person in the Hall; and/or at 11:45, online via Zoom. Here's the Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87399496922?pwd=eWxvZDdTYUVuNjZdUZ4MjFHWFdQdz09>. We'd love to share these times of fellowship with you!

Reserved Sacrament can be picked up from the Office on Monday to Friday from 9 am to noon. If you are not partaking during the Service, a written copy of the "Prayer for Communion" is available on our website in the same location as this Order of Service.

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### Traditional Land Acknowledgement:

Creator, you made all people of every land. In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the traditional Treaty 7 territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, including the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani Nations, the Stoney Nakoda, including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley Nations, and the Tsuu T'ina Nation. We acknowledge the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region Three. In the spirit of reconciliation and because we are all treaty people, we also acknowledge all people who make their homes in the traditional Treaty 7 territory of Southern Alberta.



I regard  
all as  
loss,  
because

of the surpassing  
value of knowing  
Christ Jesus  
my Lord.

Philippians 3:8



# Prayers for This Week

*(Bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week.)*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the **Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**.

In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle: In the Anglican Church we pray for **the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Metropolitan, and the people and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario** and in the Lutheran Church we pray for **the congregations of the Eastern area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod.**

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people of the parishes of **St. George, Calgary; and their clergy Greg Clark, Joan Carson, and Derek Hoskin (Hon.)** We also pray for the **National House of Bishops.**

In our Parish Cycle, we pray for the **safety and well-being of all members of our Parish, and pledge to stay connected with one another and face the challenges of COVID-19 together; we remember our clergy, Fergus, Cyril, Norman, Bob, and their families; and we especially uphold all who are infirm, immune-compromised, or on the front lines in this battle.**

We pray for our foster child **Desta Keweti.**

**Heavenly Father**, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you **the family of Joy (Abby's sister); Herb & the family of Debbie; Antony; Judy; Kai; Roger and Helen (parents of Paul); Dinah; Bill; the family of John; Debra, Lori and family of Josie; Crystal (niece of Rosemarie); Bill & Pat; Sean, Shannon, & Steve; the family of Bob; the family of Carmen and Sonny; John; the family of Bonnie; Gerald; Brian; Gerald and Louise (Shannon's father and mother); Megan and family, Molly (mother of Sian); the family of Simon; the family of Marlene (mother of Chris); the family of Anne; Stephen; Dwight (Dorothy-Ann's cousin); Donna; Jo; the family of Brenda (relative of the Collers); the family of Joan (mother of Richard); Tracy; Roxie and the family of Andy; Robert; Janet; Julia; Vern (brother-in-law of Rick); the Herritt family in their bereavement; Gina; Gael; Verna and her family; Michael; Barb; Jen; the family of Leslie; Patrick; the family of Tom; Jordan; the family of Lene; the family of Helen; Eleanor; Jackie K. (sister of Pauline); Dorothy; the family of Mauricia (mother of Ella); Max & Rebecca; Anne; Dozy & Obie & family; Karla; the family of Kathy; Kevin; Richard (friend of Anne); Terry; Jerrod; Melissa and her family (friends of Jenn); Dennis; Mike; the family of Val; Alyssa (granddaughter of Betty), Martin; Chinazor; Sheila; Linda; Melissa and her family; Adrianna; Peggy; Bob and Joanne; Laura (sister of Kim); the family of Douglas; Michelle; the family of Ian; Pat; Christine; Rick (brother of Sheila); Gwen; Jacquie; the family of Gwendoline; Jackie (cousin of Julie); Ellen; Pauline; Tucker (M'Laurel & Scott's child); Monika (mother of Dennis); Kathy (daughter of Bob & Joanne); Her Majesty The Queen, & all the Royal Family in their bereavement; Trudy (cousin of Iona); Len; Andrea and Andrew's family; Margaret; Ken; Marlene; the family of James (father of Allison); Ginny; the Rev'd Tim Webster; Lorrie & the family of Wayne; and Cindee (sister of Rick Coller).**

**We pray for containment of COVID-19 worldwide; rapid and successful vaccinations; actions guided by the safety of others; protection for all those on the front lines or especially vulnerable to its effects, in particular all who are homeless; and full restoration of health for all those who are ill. We also pray especially that our healthcare workers and healthcare system will not be overwhelmed by the number of cases of the omicron variant of the virus. And we pray especially for all in our Parish who are sick with this virus. Please enable us to support them in any way they need.**

**We pray for all those whose lives have been thrown in turmoil by fires, floods, storms or other natural disasters, particularly our neighbours in B.C and all on the East Coast.** We remember also all who are struggling economically, We pray for us all to stand together in hard times.

**We pray for the Indigenous Peoples of this land. We give thanks for the immeasurable privilege of sharing the journey of life together.**

**We pray for forgiveness for the terrible harm inflicted by the Residential Schools' system, and for the racism that still infects our hearts and is an open wound in our country; for an end to Islamophobia and all forms of prejudice and bigotry; for justice; for reconciliation; and for new paths forward that respect and honour all of God's most precious children.**

**We pray for peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. We remember the people of Ukraine, the Holy Land, USA, Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for the over 80 million people in the world whom violence has forced to flee their homes. We stand in solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil, and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be.** We pray for protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.

**We thank you for the gift of effective vaccines for COVID-19; and the commitment shown by all those giving of themselves to care for others.**

**We thank you for the opportunity to worship you together, whether online or physically in the Sanctuary.**

**We thank you for your healing touch, which sustains us every day; and for all the many healings that have taken place in our parish; and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.**



*There will be no flowers on the Altar during Lent.*

*The painting of Jesus is entitled "Image of Edessa," by Ukrainian artist Khrystyna Yatsyniak (<https://store31889345.company.site/Khrystyna-Yatsyniak-Image-of-Edessa-p267815808>).*

