

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2026 ✕ 10 am

Welcome to St. Bede's Episcopal Church

St. Bede's is a sacred place where God and the human pilgrimage meet. It is a welcoming community, characteristic of the God we serve as followers of Christ—welcoming and affirming people of every race, age, sexuality, culture, ethnicity, gender identity, education, economic circumstances, family configuration, and ability. We believe Jesus the Christ to be the incarnation of God's love—the God who is reconciling and offering hospitality to the whole world.

Holy Eucharist The Liturgy of the Word

Voluntary Passacaglia in d

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

Welcome

Opening Hymn Thou art the way (*St. James*)

Hymnal 457

Penitential Order

One Blessed be God who forgives all our sins.

Many God's mercy endures for ever. Amen

One Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel, God, our God, is one. You must love the Most High God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29–31*

The deacon bids the confession

Let us confess our sins to God.

A period of silence is kept. All pray together

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

Trisagion

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Collect of the Day

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

One God be with you.

Many And also with you.

One Together, let us pray.

God of all consolation, your Son comforted the grieving sisters, Martha and Mary, for your breath alone brings life to dry bones and weary souls. Pour out your Spirit upon us, so that we may face despair and death with the hope of the resurrection and faith in the One who called Lazarus forth from the grave. **Amen.**

Lesson Ezekiel 37:1–14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

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

Psalm 130 *sung by choir*

chant: L. L. Dix

- ¹ Out of the depths have I called to you; O God, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- ² If you were to note what is done amiss, *
O God, who could stand?
- ³ For there is forgiveness with you, *
therefore you shall be feared.
- ⁴ I wait for you, O God; my soul waits for you; *
in your word is my hope.
- ⁵ My soul waits for you, more than sentries for the morning, *
more than sentries for the morning.
- ⁶ O Israel, wait upon God, *
for with God there is mercy.
- ⁷ With God there is plenteous redemption; *
God shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Sequence Hymn Out of the depths I call (*St. Bride*)

Hymnal 666

Gospel John 11:1–45

One The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
Many Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of

God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

One The Gospel of the Lord.

Many Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev'd Iñaki Guevara

A period of silence follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed *(said by all)*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Form VI, *Book of Common Prayer*, alt.

In peace, we pray to you O God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and those in need.

For all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

For all whom we have loved, but see no more.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Let us welcome into this space our own prayers of celebration and hope ...

Let us welcome in prayers for healing and wholeness ...

Let us welcome in prayers for the Church and for the World ...

Let us welcome in prayers for those who have died and for those who mourn ...

The one presiding adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

Please gently exchange the peace, perhaps with a wave or bow, as a courtesy to others.

One The peace of Christ be always with you.

Many And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Table

Anthem at the Offertory

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound. When Jesus groaned, a trembling feat seized all the guilty world around.

words: *The New England Psalm Singer*, 1770

music: William Billings (1746–1800); *When Jesus wept* and *Emmaus*

Presentation Hymn If thou but trust in God (*Wer nur den lieben Gott*)

Hymnal 635

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C, *Book of Common Prayer*

One The Lord be with you.

Many And also with you.

One Lift up your hearts.

Many We lift them to the Lord.

One Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The one presiding continues

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Enriching Our Music 1

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, —

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The first system contains the lyrics: "Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, —". The second system contains the lyrics: "heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and simple melodic lines.

Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. —

Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high - est.

Setting: *Missa Oecumenica*, from the *Trinitatis Choral Review*, arr. Richard Proulx,
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The one presiding continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”**

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.
AMEN.

The Lord’s Prayer

One And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All pray together

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

The one presiding breaks the bread and a period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Enriching Our Worship 1

Lamb ____ of God, you take ____ a - way the
 sins of the world, have __ mer - cy on us.
 Lamb ____ of God, you take ____ a - way the
 sins of the world, grant _____ us peace.

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The one presiding extends the following invitation to share in communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Announcements

Post-Communion Prayer

from *The Book of Alternative Services (Anglican Church of Canada)*

All pray together

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. Amen.

The Solemn Prayer over the People

One Let us bow down before our God.

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence. Amen.

Dismissal

One Our worship has concluded and now our service begins.
Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Many Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn Awake, O sleeper, rise from death (*Marsh Chapel*)

Hymnal 547

Voluntary Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, S. 639

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

***The altar party processes out during the closing Voluntary,
after which the people may leave the nave in silence or remain in prayer.***

St. Bede's Prayer List

In our St. Bede's community, prayer has recently been requested for:

Terry Cannon
Susan Cáceres

Prayer has been requested on a more long-term basis for:

Jim Helms	Martha Robert
Miriam Needham	Al and Regina Studwell
Claude Oakley	Sarah Jane and Jim Ohl
Claiborne Jones	Mary Rodriguez
Margie Klein	Helen Abraham
Michele Heller	Cameron Maddox
Lynn Williams	Aree Bancroft
Jim Handsfield	Nancy Waring
Barbie Olsen	Frances Bowen
Dixie Snider	Ann Foote
David Boyd	Sue Ellen Lampros
Debhani Hernandez	

Prayer has also been requested for these in our wider community:

Jackie Heyda, *friend of St. Bede's*
Sonya Abdelhady, *friend of Larry Bing*
Larry Wilson, *friend of Larry Bing*
The Reverend Richard Smith, *friend of Nancy Bruce*
Jeremy and Aila Craig, *family of Helen Loeb*
Carol Wilkes, *friend of Larry Bing*
Spenser Simrill, *friend of Lynnsay Buehler*
Melanie Millsaps Johnson, *friend of Lynnsay Buehler*
Lea Robinson, *friend of St. Bede's*
Ed Provost, *friend of Mike and Cindy Huston*
Dede Clemmons, *friend of Mike and Cindy Huston*
Julian Bushart, *family of Doris and Jim Bushart*
Lawrence Pinson, *father of Laura Sellers*
James Smythe, *great nephew of Molly Graves*
Larry Sullivan, *friend of Joan Greer*
John Borden, *friend of Joan Greer*
Kayt Hoch, *daughter-in-law of Martha and David West*
Reagan Koski, *friend of Beth Cannon*
Bill Edgar, *father of Beth Cannon*
Carol Guthrie, *sister of Ann Foote*
Andy Matia, *friend of Ann Foote*
Mary Robert, *sister of Martha Robert*
Wright Coleman, *son of Jennie Couture*
Fay Key, *friend of the St. Bede's community*
Eleanor Pearlman, *granddaughter of Gwen Heaton*
Anne Jones, *sister of Claiborne Jones*

We pray for those who have died:

Sandy Drummond, *father of Gavin Drummond*

We give thanks for those serving our country in the military:

Josh Bowers

Jonathan

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week

3/22 Matt Faulkner

3/25 Alan Huston

3/27 Fran Snider

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as we engage the story of the living Christ.

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