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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER
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You are welcome here.

A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What kind of church is this?

St. Paul & the Redeemer (SPR) is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice.

Let's Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new, tell us about yourself and get connected to what's happening at St. Paul & the Redeemer.

Scan the code or visit sprchicago.org/new to complete a *Let's Get Connected* form.



Children & Youth at SPR

KidZone (Nursery), 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Professionally staffed nursery care is available for children ages 0-4 in our KidZone, located down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the KidZone.

Children's Chapel, Sundays during sermon

During the sermon at the 10:00 service, children from preschool to second grade are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Children's & Youth Formation, Sundays after church

We welcome all ages to join our formation (Christian education) gatherings, downstairs from 11:05 to 11:50 AM:

- Godly Play: Preschool to grade 2
 - Junior Youth Group: Grades 3 to 5
 - Youth Group: Grades 6 to 12
 - Adult Formation: Teens and adults
- High-school youth are welcome to attend either youth group or adult formation.*

SPR's Anti-Racism Vision Statement

We strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Bulletin Rubrics

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the **+** indicates that.

Giving to SPR

Every dollar you give to SPR supports our ministry to and with our community.

You may place cash or a check in the offering plate, give online at sprchicago.org/give-online or scan this code. If you are visiting, please do not feel obligated to give—it is our honor to have you as our guest!



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About the Cover Artwork

Lauren Wright Pittman is an artist, graphic designer, and theologian. She studied media design at Middle Tennessee State University, worked as a wetlands advocate in southern Louisiana, and attended Columbia Theological Seminary to piece together her passions for artistic expression, design, and creation care.



Welcome to Lent.

What Is Lent?

Lent is a 40-day season of preparation for Easter. This preparation traditionally includes practices like fasting, almsgiving, confession of sin, and prayer. More broadly, it's a time for simplifying or reordering our lives in order to be more fully alive: One may give up something good in order to better appreciate it after Easter. One may give up something not-so-good in order to eliminate it once and for all from one's life. One may take up a new practice, like daily prayer, scripture reflection, or a service project, in order to find new grounding in the life of God.

Our Worship Space

At St. Paul & the Redeemer, we usually worship in the round, with the altar in the center and all of us gathered around it. In Lent, as you can see, we change things up. One reason we do this is simply for the sake of changing things around, because that's something that Lent is about: reordering our lives in order to wake up to ourselves and to the world around us a bit more—to unsettle us from our usual habits and perspectives.

The particular arrangement of our space in Lent reflects how many monastic communities worship. Such communities are places of service, fasting, and deep prayer. Lent is our chance to walk in such ways for a season. This arrangement also brings the choir into the midst of us, helping us to sing more boldly.

Giving in Lent

Our version of "almsgiving" at SPR is financially supporting the important work of two of our partners:

St. Patrick's School | Tom Gateau, Haiti

During Lent, SPR raises money for teachers' salaries at the school run by our partner parish, St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti. Your generosity is appreciated. (This is different from the money we raise for the St. Patrick's school lunch and music programs each fall.) There are 19 teachers at St. Patrick's; we provide approximately \$70 per teacher per month.

- \$70 will pay a teacher's salary for one month.
- \$210 will pay a teacher for three months.
- \$350 will pay a teacher for five months (half the school year).
- \$700 will pay a teacher for the entire ten-month school year.

Shoemith School | Kenwood, Chicago

SPR partners with Shoemith School, the elementary school just across the park, to help enrich their students' educational opportunities. During Lent, we raise money to support their choir, led by a conductor from Uniting Voices Chicago (formerly the Chicago Children's Choir). They rehearse weekly learning music from an array of genres, and, as many of you know, they are exceptional performers. We look forward to having them sing with our choirs this spring. Our Lenten fundraising goal is \$5,000, the cost of hiring a Uniting Voices conductor for one academic year.

Offering envelopes for both ministries are in the seat backs in the sanctuary.
Please make checks payable to St. Paul & the Redeemer and put "Shoemith" and/or "Haiti" in the memo line.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Prelude for Lent

Basil Harwood (1859-1949).

Entrance Hymn

All sing.



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought; by words and signs and
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

The Hymnal 1982 #449 "O love, how deep, how broad, how high

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt.

Music: Deo gracias, English ballad melody, Trinity College MS., 15th cent.; harm. Hymns Ancient and Modern, Revised.

Welcome

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy:

**Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways,
and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith
to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word,
Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit
lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

Members of the St. Nicholas Choir will lead all in singing the Kyrie.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e
Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste
e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son!
ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son!
repeat Kyrie

My Heart Sings Out #13 "Kyrie eleison"

Words: Book of Common Prayer.

Music: Paraguayan © World Council of Churches.

The Lessons

Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) Reading

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Genesis 12:1-4a

The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.


The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121


The Choir sings the antiphon, the congregation joins to repeat. The choir sings the first verse, the psalm is then sung by full verse, alternating among the Choir, Treble Voices (sopranos, altos, and children), and Bass Voices (tenors and basses), as indicated. The psalm concludes with the antiphon.

Antiphon



My help comes from the LORD, the mak -er of heav -en and earth.

Plainsong Tone V.1



Choir: *I lift* up my eyes to the **hills**;*
from **whére** is my **hélp** to come?

Treble Voices: My help comes from the **Lórd**,*
the **máker** of **héaven** and earth.

Bass Voices: He will not let your **fóot** be moved*
and he who watches over you **will** not **fáll** asleep.

Choristers: Behold, he who keeps watch over **Ísrael***
shall neither **slúmbér** **nór** sleep;

Treble Voices: The Lord himself watches **óver** you;*
the Lord is your **sháde** at your **ríght** hand.

Bass Voices: So that the sun shall not strike **yóu** by day,
—**nór** the **móon** by night.

Choir: The Lord shall preserve you from all **évil**;*
it is **hé** who shall **kéep** you safe.

All: The Lord shall watch over your going out and your **cóming** in,
from this time **fóρθ** for **évermore**. [*Ant.*]

Psalm 121, Translation from The Saint Helena Psalter, © The Order of Saint Helena. Antiphon text © Albert Rockenstein.
Music: Plainsong, Tone V.1

Epistle (New Testament) Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are

not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

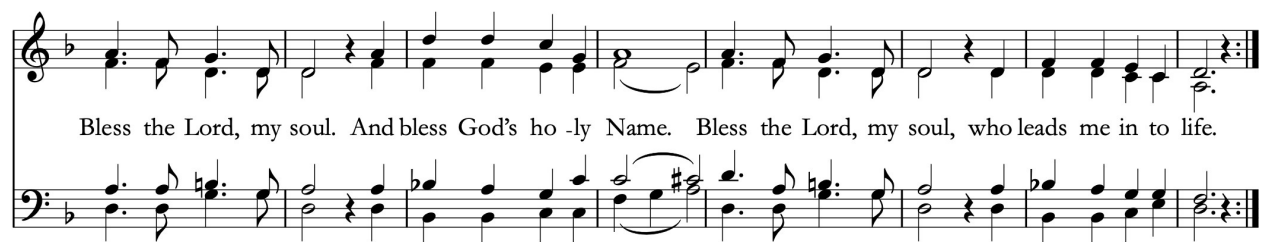
For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") –in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as able and sing.



Bless the Lord, my soul. And bless God's ho -ly Name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in to life.

"Bless the Lord, my soul"

Words & Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994). © 1982, 1983, 1984 Les Presses et Ateliers de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc.

Gospel Reading

At the + below, you are invited to trace a cross over your forehead, your mouth, and your heart.

+ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

John 3:1-17

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not

know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Chapel

Children in preschool to second grade are invited to attend their own liturgy in the chapel, led by children's ministry staff Megan Cather and Lindsey Strieter. Participants under age 3 are encouraged to bring a parent. The children will return to the main service at the peace.

Sermon

Today's Preacher: The Rev. Lydia Gajdel, *Priest Associate*

Apostles' Creed

Please stand as able.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
+ the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the church and for the world.

O God, during this season of Lent, help us to turn our hearts away from our own selfish strivings and towards you, confident that you meet us where we are and give us the grace to live anew.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Be with those who journey from their homes to distant lands in search of safety or opportunity, and may they find open arms of hospitality wherever they land.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Give your wisdom and prudence to our newly elected leaders, and help all of us to strive for the common good, rather than pursue that which would benefit the few.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We remember that even in this Lenten season there is cause for joy, celebrating the birthdays of servants **Linda** Wheatley-Irving (3/5), **Jennifer** Pitts (3/5), **Baiju** Markose (3/6), **Peter** Eng (3/6), **Yemi** Adegoke (3/6), **Donna** Fackenthal (3/6), **George** Chlipala (3/7), **Jonah** Karafiol (3/8), **Josh** Daniel (3/9), and **Pamela** Anderson (3/11), and the ordination anniversary of **Tom** Prochaska (3/7).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We lift up those who are suffering as we pray for your healing presence, especially **Alarra** Tozin (friend of Twila Jones), **Rick** Heyman (brother of Steve Heyman), **Karen** Davenport, **Shirley** Knight, **Anna** Bohrer, **Ann** Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), **Larry** Evans (father of Jason Evans), **Becky** Kruse, **Carolyn** Strong (sister of Twila Jones), **Deborah** Caldwell-Stone, **Susan** McNeill (stepmother of Melissa McNeill), **Audrey Lisa** Tate (friend of Shirley Knight), **Teresa** Massie Peterson, **Dan** Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), **Mel** Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), and **Amelia** Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), as well as their caregivers.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the lives and witness of all the saints who came before us, especially **Hank** Underwood (3/9/2022, parishioner), **Thomas** Clark (3/10/2002, grandfather of Allison Clark), **Jessica** Paul (3/11/2006, niece of Sharla Paul), **Jacob** Paul (3/11/2006, nephew of Sharla Paul), and **Eugene** Hardin (3/11/2017, father of Brenda Kilpatrick).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in thy mercy."

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer List: Alarra Tozin (friend of Twila Jones), Rick Heyman (brother of Steve Heyman), Shirley Knight, Anna Bohrer, Ann Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), Larry Evans (father of Jason Evans), Becky Kruse, Carolyn Strong (sister of Twila Jones), Deborah Caldwell-Stone, Susan McNeill (stepmother of Melissa McNeill), Audrey Lisa Tate (friend of Shirley Knight), Teresa Massie Peterson, Jake Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Jennifer Penn, Hyacinth Evans, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Tim Sehr, Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Stacey Morris, David Daniels, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Pauline and Bill Reynolds (parents of Liza Reynolds), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), and Rock Sehr, as well as their caregivers.

Prayers of the People: Written by Jonathan Foiles..

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

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.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

You are invited to greet those around you with the words "Peace be with you," accompanied by a wave, peace sign, or handshake. Some announcements will be given; there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

Rite of Leave-Taking

The presider invites the Rev. Lydia Gajdel to come forward.

We have been blessed with the presence, prayers and gifts of our priest associate, Lydia Gajdel. God now calls her to take her leave and engage in new ministries, that the witness she has so generously offered here may be spread elsewhere.

Lydia may address the congregation.

We give thanks for your time among us, for your gifts and for your accomplishments. If there has been hurt, let it be forgiven. Where there has been growth and joy, let us be thankful. Let us pray.

Dear God,

be with those who leave and with those who stay;

and grant that all of us, by drawing ever nearer to thee,

may always be close to each other in the communion of thy saints.

All this we ask in the Name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Sung by the choir.

For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten son,
that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish
but have eternal life.

Music: "John 3:16," B.E. (Brittney Elizabeth) Boykin* (b. 1989).
Text: John 3:16.

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

It is truly right to glorify you and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you and glorify your Name as we sing,

All sing.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly, Lord, God of power and might, — hea - ven and earth are full, —

The musical score consists of two systems of vocal lines. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system ends with a long horizontal line, and the second system ends with a long horizontal line and an arrow pointing to the right.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed 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." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

Music: from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert (1797-1828), arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)
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We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Book of Common Prayer, 1979. Eucharistic Prayer D.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast.

All sing.

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er
of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er,
re - deem - er of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

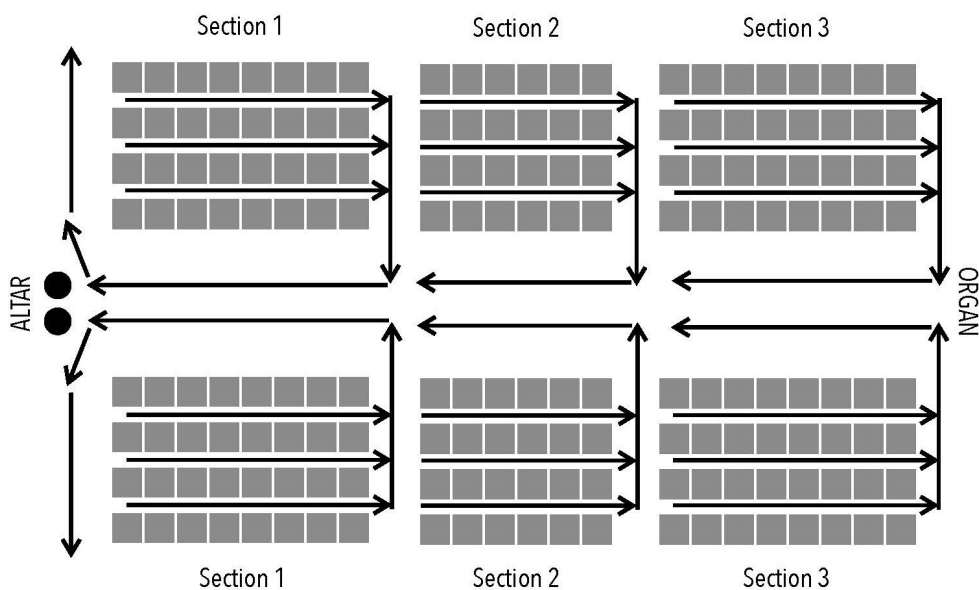
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The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the ushers know. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the communion minister. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest.

How to Line Up for Communion



Order for Lining Up

Choir Goes First | Then Section 1 | Then Section 2 | Then Section 3

Communion Music

All sing (2x).

Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty
hands up - lift - ed Now the kneel - ing Now the plea
Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come Now the hear - ing
Now the power Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing
Now the Bo - dy Now the Blood Now the joy - ful
cel - e - bra - tion Now the wed - ding Now the songs
Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing Now the Spi - rit's
vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - an - y
Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

Hymnal 1982 #333 "Now the silence, now the peace"

Words: Jaroslav J. Vajda (b. 1919)

Music: Now, Carl Flentge Schalk (b. 1929).

All sing.

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, For if you lead me, I can - not stray.

Fine

Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and power to help me o - ver my
2. Help me tread in the paths of right - eous - ness, be my aid when sa - tan and
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind with - out thy

weak - est hour; Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see,
sin op - press; I am put - ting all my trust in thee.
light to see; Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.

D.C.

Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

LEVAS II #194 "Lead me, guide me"
Words and Music: Dorothy Akers (1922-1995).

Sending Forth

Please stand as able.

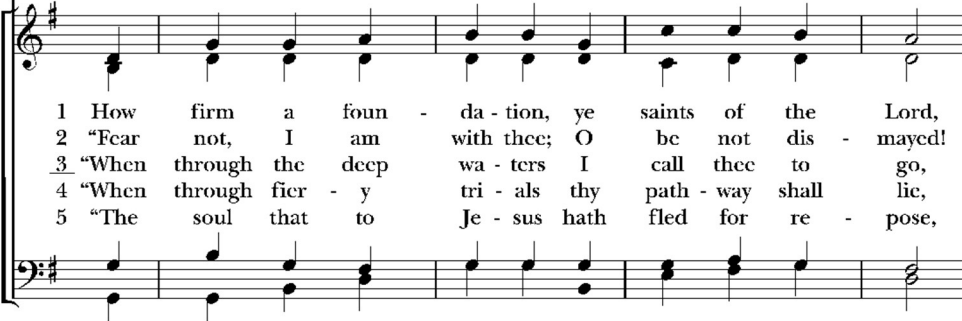
Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

+ Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, bless you for evermore. **Amen.**

All sing.



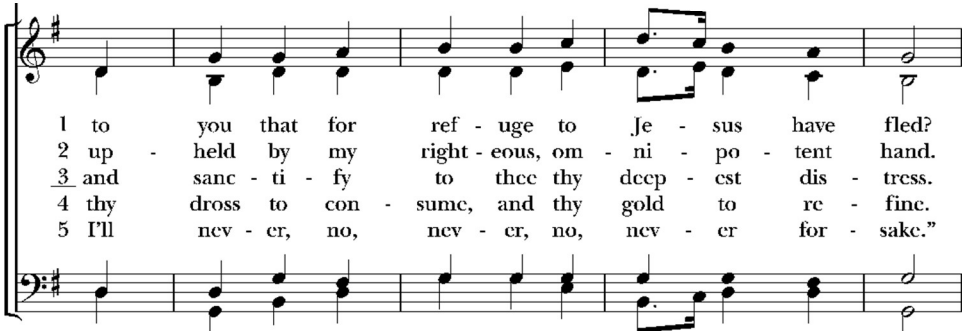
1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
4 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

Hymnal 1982 #637 "How firm a foundation"
Words: K. in John Rippon's *Selections*, 1787, alt.
Music: Lyons, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806);
desc. Lois Fyfe (b. 1927).

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Foundation"

from *Seven Settings of American Folk Hymns*

Wilbur Held (1914-2014).



Coming Up at SPR

Lenten Small Groups: *Resurrection Hope*

Our five-week Lenten small groups will begin this week. Together, we'll read *Resurrection Hope: A Future Where Black Lives Matter*, by Kelly Brown Douglas. Copies are available for purchase at church for \$29 (financial assistance is available). Sign up in the narthex!

Spiritual Care Visitor Training

Do you have a passion for helping others? Consider the Bishop Anderson House Spiritual Care Visitor Training Program, which begins on **Saturday, March 25**. The program includes a retreat, seven online modules, and providing two hours of spiritual care weekly at the direction of your faith community leader. The full cost of this training is \$50. **Apply by Monday, March 13**. Learn more at bishopandersonhouse.org.

SPR Sleepaway Camp: Save the Date!

Children entering grades 1-6 are invited to join the SPR crew attending Camp Lutherwald in Howe, Indiana, from **Sunday, July 23 to Friday, July 28**. Please register your camper directly through the camp website; scholarship help from SPR is available. For more information, contact Lindsey Strieter (strieter@sprchicago.org).

Vacation Bible Camp: Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible Camp from **Monday, July 31 to Friday, August 4, 2023**. VBC is focused on helping kids develop a progressive and joyful sense of faith. Children (ages 3-10) & volunteers (youth and adults, ages 11 and up) are invited to participate. Registration coming soon! For more information, contact Lindsey Strieter (strieter@sprchicago.org).

Volunteer Opportunities with Refugee Ministry

Get involved with our refugee ministry through the Syrian Community Network. Volunteers may chat with adults to help them practice English (**Tuesdays at 10:30 AM on Zoom**), or visit our partner family in Rogers Park, with children ages 10, 12, and 15 (**Saturdays at 10:30 AM**; kids are welcome). To learn more, contact Robert Bator (rbator@aol.com).

Call for Submissions: Visual Epiphanies

The arts committee's spring show theme is *Epiphanies*. All artists are invited to submit two-dimensional works that evoke an epiphany or new insight. Works should be in the church office and ready to hang by **Sunday, March 5**. The show will be on exhibit in the chapel from March through May. For more information, contact Carolyn Pereira (pereira1700@yahoo.com).

SPR Open Kitchen Returns

After a long hiatus due to COVID-19, SPR's Open Kitchen crew is back in action, gathering on the Sunday before the third Monday of each month to cook up a hearty stew for the meal program housed at Kenwood United Church of Christ. Join us in the kitchen on **Sunday, March 19, at 12:00 PM**. No skills are necessary; there will be step-by-step guidance! Youth accompanied by their adults are welcome. If you can shop, cook, or help with delivering the stew to KUCC, contact Fran Spaltro (pambasilea@gmail.com).



Music at SPR

February Music Fund Drive Gratitude

A huge thank you to all those who contributed to our February Music Fund drive to purchase the new landmark collection, **The Oxford Book of Choral Music by Black Composers**. Because of your generosity and commitment to investing in the music of under-represented composers, **we more than doubled our goal** of purchasing 40 anthologies.

Plans are now in the works to use this excess of funds in a meaningful way which uplifts this music within our community in the coming year.

About This Week's Music

The **prelude** is a work by English organist and composer Basil Harwood, who might be best known for his hymn tunes, including *Luckington* ("Let All the World in Every Corner Sing") and *Thornbury* ("O Jesus I Have Promised"). This prelude begins with the inscription "The solemn season calls us now," quoting an anonymous 18th-century hymn text. The **anthem** is by B.E. Boykin, who graduated from Spelman College in 2011 and earned an M.M. in Sacred Music from Westminster Choir College with a concentration in choral studies shortly thereafter. Her anthem "John 3:16" was composed in 2014 (and was the anthem Mark used for his final interview at SPR). She is currently Professor of Music at Georgia Institute of Technology. The **postlude** is taken from a set entitled "Seven Settings of American Folk Hymns," by Wilbur Held. Held was born in Des Plaines, IL, and enrolled at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago. Midway through his studies, he became Leo Sowerby's assistant at St. James Cathedral—an association that lasted seven years, until his appointment as Professor of Organ and Church Music at The Ohio State University, a position he held for over 30 years.

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If you would still like to contribute, you can visit www.sprchicago.org/music-fund, or speak to director of music Mark Bilyeu (bilyeu@sprchicago.org).



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Serving Today

March 5, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Presiders: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur, The Rev. Catherine Healy

Preacher: The Rev. Lydia Gajdel

Music Leaders: Mark Bilyeu, Megan Cather

Lectors: Mel Parks, Agnes Daniel, Ian Murrell

Prayer Writer: Jonathan Foiles

Chalice Ministers: Peggy Johnson, Esther Foiles, Gabriel Lear, Becky Kruse

Ushers: Mike Agina, Alicia Chipman

Vestry Greeter: Jason Evans

Altar Guild: Twila Jones

Prayer Writer: Twila Jones

Communion Bread Baker: Jim Tonsgard

Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, *Rector*

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Ian Murrell, & Ariana Strahl, *Staff Singers*

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair, *Nursery Teachers*

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Partners in Ministry

American Red Cross of Greater Chicago

We partner with the Red Cross to provide emergency shelter for those displaced by disasters.

Community Renewal Society

We are a member congregation of CRS, which organizes faith communities for social change.

Crossroads/Chicago ROAR

Chicago ROAR supports our anti-racism commitments through facilitation and training.

Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

We are proud to belong to the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, led by our bishop, the Rt. Rev. Paula Clark.

Murray Fellows

Through this program, we mentor and encourage the next generation of LGBTQ+ Christian leaders.

Open Kitchen

SPR members gather monthly to cook meals for Kenwood UCC's Feed the People Soup Kitchen.

St. Patrick's Church & School, Haiti

Our collaboration with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti, includes school lunch and music programs, teacher salaries, and capital projects.

St. Paul & the Redeemer Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open to the community every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Shoemith Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school through tutoring, arts programs, and gardening.

Syrian Community Network

Each year, SPR sponsors a newly resettled refugee family from Syria through visits, tutoring and more.



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