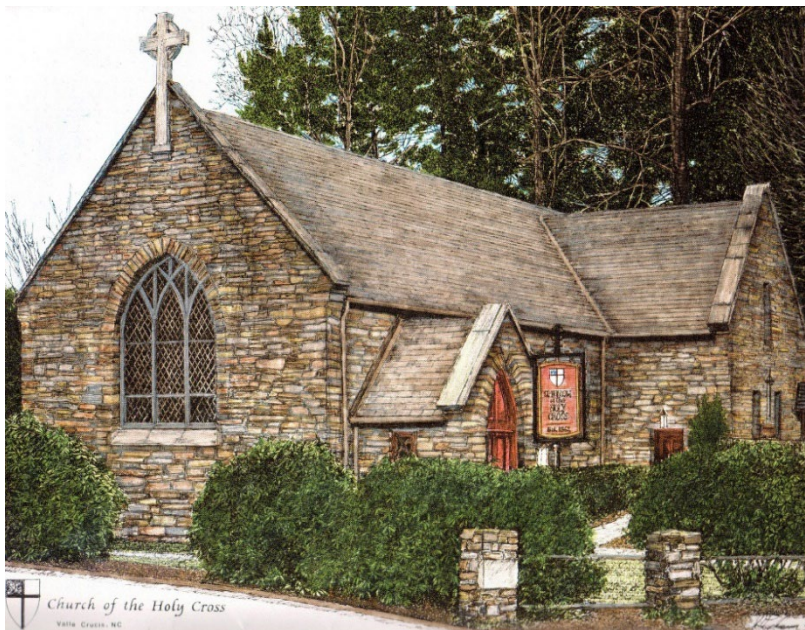


The Church of the Holy Cross Valle Crucis, North Carolina



The Episcopal Church in the Vale of the Cross Since 1842

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 12, 2023

The Great Litany (Part III) *from Enriching our Worship,*
and Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Masks are recommended for all attendees, especially if unvaccinated.

The Hymnody and Music noted in this leaflet is offered at the 11 AM service only.

Welcome Home to Holy Cross!

It is our privilege to worship with you this morning! Please know that all baptized Christians regardless of Church denomination, and all who seek a deeper knowledge and love of God in Christ are most welcome to receive the bread and wine of the Holy Eucharist.

Children are most welcome and encouraged to participate in all services at Holy Cross. Rocking chairs have been provided for caregivers with infants.

If this is your first time at Holy Cross, please complete a *Visitor Card* and let us know about your visit, especially if you have a specific need or prayer request. Visitor Cards are found in the pew racks. If you would like additional information about our many ministries and activities, speak to one of our Ushers or Greeters, or stop by Skiles Hall during the fellowship hour that follows each service. We would be happy to speak with you in person.

If you would like to make a financial offering or contribution, you can do so by scanning this QR Code or via our website at www.holycrossvallecrucis.net



It is the custom in The Episcopal Church to prepare for worship by gathering in reverent silence and prayer, and during the worship service, stand for praise, sit for instruction, and, as you are able, kneel for prayer. Please respect the devotional needs of others by turning off cellular telephones and electronic devices, and by speaking with hushed voices.

A Word About Today's Liturgy

Rather than offer the *entire* Great Litany on the First Sunday in Lent *only*, we have divided the Litany this year into segments according to a weekly theme as well as opted to use texts from *Enriching Our Worship*. It is believed that in so doing we will hear liturgy differently and, thereby, be drawn to reflect more deeply on our life in Christ. The themes are:

- Week One – Sin and Destruction
- Week Two – The Life of Jesus Christ
- ***Week Three – The Church***
- Week Four – The World, Nation, and Community
- Week Five – The Wellbeing of All People

THE WORD OF GOD

The Prelude: “So Fades the Lovely Blooming Flow’r” G. Winston Cassler

Greetings and Announcements: (Pages 18-20)

The Opening Procession: *As the Procession begins, all who are able, **stand** and sing,*

The Great Litany: (from *Enriching Our Worship*)

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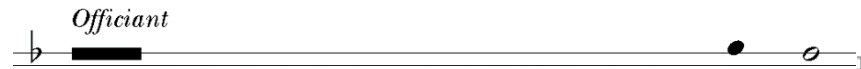

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,

Have mer-cy on us.

Officiant  *People* 

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

Have mer-cy on us.

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Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faith - ful,

Have mer-cy on us.

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Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,

Have mer-cy on us.

The Third Week of Lent: The Church

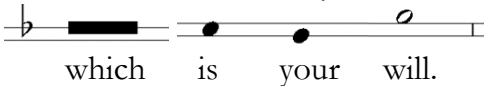
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Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

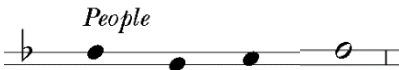
Hear us O Christ.

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Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity

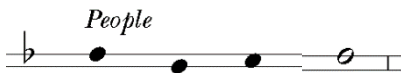
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which is your will.

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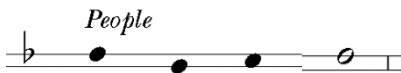
Hear us O Christ.

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.



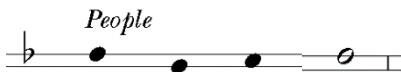
Hear us O Christ.

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and José, our Bishop with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.



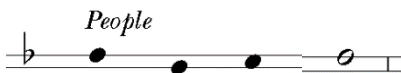
Hear us O Christ.

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.



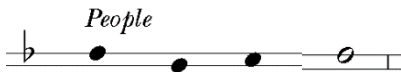
Hear us O Christ.

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

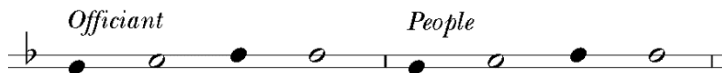


Hear us O Christ.

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.



Hear us O Christ.



O Christ, hear us: O Christ, hear us.

The Kyrie: 8:30 am

Lord, have mercy upon us.

***People:* Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

11:00 am Sung as (#S-91)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (*sung 3 x's*)

Christ, have mercy upon us. (*sung 3 x's*)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (*sung 3 x's*)

The Prayer of Confession (*All say together*)

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,

we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,

we have offended against thy holy laws,

we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,

and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,

spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent,

according to thy promises declared unto humankind in Christ Jesus our Lord;

and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,

that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous,

and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Absolution:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you (†) absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

***People:* Amen.**

The Collect of the Day:

The Lord be with you.

***People:* And with thy spirit.**

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

***People:* Amen.**

All are seated for the readings from Scripture.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The Word of the Lord.

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

A time for silent reflection is observed.

The Response: Psalm 95 (*Prayed responsively as noted in **bold** type*)

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

2 **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

3 For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.

4 **In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

6 **Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

Continued ...

7 For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

8 **Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did in the wilderness, *
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, when they tempted me.**

9 They put me to the test, *
though they had seen my works.

10 **Forty years long I detested that generation and said, *
“This people are wayward in their hearts; they do not know my ways.”**

11 So I swore in my wrath, *
“They shall not enter into my rest.”

A time for silent reflection is observed.

The Second Lesson:

Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

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

A time for silent reflection is observed.

The Gradual Hymn: #686 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Nettleton

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"

Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest?’ But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Sermon:

The Rev. R. Allan McCaslin

A time for silent reflection follows the Sermon. Please remain seated until the Altar Ministers stand.

The Nicene Creed *(All say together)*

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The Prayers of the People:

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Priest: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*All **kneel** as they are able.*

A time for silent prayer is kept.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give thy heavenly grace to all thy people, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Joseph, our President, Roy, our Governor, and the elected officials who serve the people of this nation, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially those in harm's way and those who have asked for prayers each of whom we name aloud at this time:

The people speak aloud the names of those on their hearts.

The leader concludes saying.

Lord, in thy mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

We give thee thanks for Gena Rankin, Art Yergey, Mike Galleher, Henry McGuire, and for all who celebrate birthdays this week.

We give thee thanks for _____, (and) for all who celebrate their wedding anniversaries.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Church of South India (United).

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for our Diocesan Commissions, Committees, Agencies, Boards, and all Diocesan staff.

We pray thy blessing on those who travel this week, especially Keith, Joby & their students, Terry, Elaine & Scott, Sis & Bobby, _____.

We pray for the grace to demonstrate in our lives the *Five Marks of Mission of the Anglican Communion*, especially "To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation."

We give thee thanks for those who serve with the *Towel Ministry* and for all the ministries of this parish, and pray thy continued blessing and direction on the lives of those who serve on, or partake in them.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Sandy Jones, _____, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and Advocate.

People: Amen.

The Priest offers a concluding Collect:

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Peace: *(All Stand)*

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

The People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

The Birthday and Anniversary Prayer:

Watch over thy child(ren) O Lord, as *their* days increase.

Bless and guide *them* wherever they may be.

Strengthen *them* when *they* stand.

Comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful.

Raise *them* up if they fall.

And in *their* heart(s) may thy peace which passeth understanding,

abide with *them* all the days of

their lives; through Jesus Christ, Our Lord,

Amen.

Concerning The Holy Communion

Instructions on receiving Communion are now offered

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory:

Offertory Anthem: “Praise and Thanks and Adoration” Thomas Kingo

The Presentation Hymn: “O Jesus, Crowned with All Renown”

Kingsfold

(Vs 3 Only)

3 that we may feed the poor a - right, and, gath - ering round thy
throne, here, in the ho - ly an - gels' sight, re -
pay thee of thine own: That we may praise thee
all our days, and with the Fa - ther's Name, and
with the Ho - ly Spi - rit's gifts, the Sa - vior's love pro - claim.

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer I

Priest: The Lord be with you.

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People: **And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

The Sanctus: *(Spoken at 8:30 am. Sung at 11:00 am as #S-114)*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*All **kneel** as they are able.*

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All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless (†) and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain (†) remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled (†) with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, (†) and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People: AMEN.

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

The Lord's Prayer:

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**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 Breaking of the Bread: *(The Fraction)*

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Fraction Anthem: (*Spoken at 8:30 am, Sung at 11 am as #S-158*)

Priest: O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world,

People: Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world,

People: Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world,

People: Grant us thy peace.

The Prayer of Humble Access: (*All say together*)

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table,
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs
under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose
property is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh
of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.**

Amen.

The Priest invites the people to Communion saying,

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The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please come to the Altar to receive Communion. At the Altar Rail move toward either wall so that those in the center will kneel last. Please wait to be dismissed; those in the center depart first.

Hymns during the Communion:

#343 “Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless”

#581 “Where Charity and Love Prevail”

An extended time for silent prayer and reflection precedes and follows each communion hymn.

When all have communed, the following hymn is sung.

Kneeling Hymn:

“God is Forgiveness”

Taizé

(Sung three times in the language of one’s choice)


God is for-give-ness. Dare to for-give and God will be with you.
 Polish: Bóg jest mi - łoś - cią miej-cie od - wa - gę żyć dla mi - łoś - ci.
 Spanish: Dios es ter - nu - ra. Dios vi-ve en ti; a - tré - ve-te a a-mar.

God is for-give-ness. Love, and do not fear.
 Bóg jest mi - łoś - cią. Nie lę - kaj - cie się.
 Dios es ter - nu - ra. No hay por - qué te - mer.

*A time for silent reflection precedes the following prayer:***The Post-communion Prayer:** *(All pray together)*

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Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

All remain kneeling.

A Solemn Prayer and Blessing for Lent:

Bow down before the Lord.

Keep this thy family, Lord with thy never failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of thy heavenly grace, they may be upheld by thy divine protection.

People: Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, (†) the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

(All stand)

The Dismissal:

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Processional Hymn #690 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Cwm Rhondda

The Postlude:

“Am I a Soldier of the Cross?”

G. Winston Cassler

Gracious thanks to Laura Russell for serving as Organist today!

We also thank those who served this morning:

	<i>8:30 am</i>	<i>11:00 am</i>
<i>Greeters/Oblationers:</i>	Stella Barbato	TBA
<i>Ushers:</i>	Stella Barbato	TBA
<i>Lector:</i>	Jane Blackburn	Dawn Harris
<i>Prayers of the People:</i>	Jane Blackburn	Carolyn Shepherd
<i>Chalice:</i>	Ted Ponko	Nina-Jo Moore
<i>Acolytes:</i>	Ted Ponko	Nina-Jo Moore

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023

The Third Sunday in Lent

- 8:30 am** The Great Litany (Part Three) and Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*a quiet service without music*)
- 9:30 am** Fellowship time in Skiles Hall
- 9:45 am** Lenten Christian Education Series (*Upper Skiles Hall*)
- 11:00 am** The Great Litany (Part Three) and Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*with hymnody and music*)
This Service is also Live-Streamed via our YouTube Channel
- 12:30pm** Fellowship time in Skiles Hall

Lenten Christian Education Classes

“Living Well Through Lent: Practicing Compassion with All your Heart, Soul, Strength and Mind”

Sundays at 9:45 am – Upper Skiles Hall

Using materials from Living Compass Wellness Initiative, join with others for daily readings by well-known church leaders and gather Sunday mornings to focus on aspects of our own wellness. Booklets are available in the Church office.

It's “March for Diapers” time!

Once again, the ECW is collecting **all sizes of children’s diapers** to donate to the *Children’s Council*. Last year, we collected over 2,000 diapers! Help us surpass that number this year by placing unopened packages of diapers in the collection box in Skiles Hall. We’ll be collecting during the entire month of March.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

Coffee’s On – Zoom

10:00 – 11:00 AM

Coffee’s On will continue via Zoom through the month of March. Visit the link on the parish webpage at www.holycrossvallecrucis.net. Join from home, the beach, or your front porch. All are welcome and problems of the world are shared and prayed over, with laughter and tears for seasoning. See you there.

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

With Guest Preacher and Celebrant Rev. Anna Shine

- 8:30 am** The Great Litany (Part Four) and
Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*a quiet service without music*)
- 9:30 am** Fellowship time in Skiles Hall
- 9:45 am** Lenten Christian Education Series (*Upper Skiles Hall*)
- 11:00 am** The Great Litany (Part Four) and
Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*with hymnody and music*)
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- 12:30pm** Fellowship time in Skiles Hall

MOVEABLE FEAST

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 – 5 pm

The ASU “Moveable Feast” potluck will be hosted by all parishioners and friends of Holy Cross on **Tuesday, March 21 in Skiles Hall at 5:00 pm**. Bring your favorite potluck dish and join students and The Reverend Anna Shine for a lively evening of food, conversation, and fun! For questions, please contact Darby Logan via email to logandarby2@gmail.com.

MEN’S NIGHT OUT

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 – 5 pm

MNO Dinner Theatre (kind of..)

Men's Night Out will gather for a quasi dinner theatre event beginning with a dutch treat meal in the upstairs dining area at **Lost Province Brewing Company**, 130 North Depot Street in Boone, at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21. We'll then walk around the corner to the **Appalachian Theatre** at 559 West King Street for the 7 p.m. screening of the classic sports movie "**The Natural**" starring Robert Redford, Glenn Close, and Robert Duvall. Dinner, then theatre... get it?

Men's Night Out is an opportunity for men from within the parish and the community to enjoy an evening of fellowship together. We're very flexible, so come for dinner, the movie, or both, and feel free to bring a friend... or two! Please RSVP by noon on Tuesday, March 21 via email to keithmartin@gmail.com or text or phone to (704) 608-2755 so that we can reserve the appropriate number of seats at the restaurant. **Please join us!**

The Parish Prayer List: March 12, 2023

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

For Healing: Our injured and disabled military personnel, our veterans, all civilians harmed in conflict, and for Jett T., Stuart T., Philip A., Dayton C., Lindsay W., Keely S., Laura B., Wendell S., Ted N., Brianna M., Gretchen M., Noyes L., Marilyn W., Gerry P., Shirley N., Kathryn M., Rebecca M., Barbara L., Sam Y., Al & Susan T., Emily B., Bill B., Roberta T., Rossi T., Elizabeth B., Claire M., Fred K., Mason S., Gail T., Carrington T., Shelly T., Elizabeth Y., Tom & Jenise S., Ben C., Doris B., Elizabeth L., Dakota, Julia M., Scott G., Charlie S., John B., Jim S., Bonnie R., Dennis B., Scott H., Branch A., Anna Jane R., Floyd T., Julia P., Bill G., Mike G., Everett K., Rich, Lenny H., _____.

For those in Harm's Way: All who serve with the armed forces at home & abroad, all who serve in the Peace Corps, for Ruslan and Galena, and all health & relief workers throughout the world.

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