

# The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2025

10:00 AM



## The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Celebrant & Preacher - The Very Reverend David A. duPlantier, *Dean*

*It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to silence cell phones. Let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Large-print Prayer Books and Activity Workbooks for kids are available at the Usher's Stand. This liturgy is being webcast on YouTube and Facebook Live. We joyfully welcome children of all ages to worship with us; there is a nursery available for infants and toddlers if you wish it. Children are encouraged to proceed to the chapel for Children's Chapel immediately following the reading of the Gospel. They will return at The Peace.*

## The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY ~ Two Pieces (Air, Gavotte) ..... Samuel Wesley

*When the bell sounds, please stand and join in singing*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #404 ~ We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord ..... *Old 124th*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Prayer Book, Page 323

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*People* His mercy endureth for ever.

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

### LORD HAVE MERCY *Kyrie eleison*

  
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

  
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

  
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### THE FIRST LESSON ~ Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The choir sings*

### PSALM 32 *Beati quorum*

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| 1 | Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *<br>and whose sin is put away!   | 8  | You are my hiding-place;<br>you preserve me from trouble; *<br>you surround me with shouts of deliverance.  |
| 2 | Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *<br>and in whose spirit there is no guile!   | 9  | "I will instruct you and teach you<br>in the way that you should go; *<br>I will guide you with my eye.   |
| 3 | While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *<br>because of my groaning all day long.   | 10 | Do not be like horse or mule,<br>which have no understanding; *<br>who must be fitted with bit and bridle,<br>or else they will not stay near you." |
| 4 | For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *<br>my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.  | 11 | Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *<br>but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.  |
| 5 | Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *<br>and did not conceal my guilt.   | 12 | Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *<br>shout for joy, all who are true of heart.   |
| 6 | I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *<br>Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.   |    |   |
| 7 | Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you<br>in time of trouble; *<br>when the great waters overflow,<br>they shall not reach them. |    |   |

Setting by William Russell

### THE SECOND LESSON ~ 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

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*The choir sings the*

**TRACT** - Psalm 122 *Latatus sum*

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, \*  
“Let us go to the house of the LORD.”
- 2 Now our feet are standing \*  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city \*  
that is at unity with itself;
- 4 To which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD, \*  
the assembly of Israel,  
to praise the Name of the LORD.

- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, \*  
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*  
“May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls \*  
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions’ sake, \*  
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, \*  
I will seek to do you good.”

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** - Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So Jesus told them this parable: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.’” So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate. “Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**THE SERMON**

**THE NICENE CREED**

Prayer Book, Page 326

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Prayer Book, Page 328

**THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION**

Prayer Book, Page 330

**THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

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*The people kneel or stand.*

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

Prayer Book, Page 334

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 336

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
on us. O Lamb of God, that  
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of  
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
world, grant us thy peace.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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 INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.*

*To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.*

**ANTHEM**

- 1 Sing, my soul, his wondrous love,  
who, from yon bright throne above,  
ever watchful o'er our race,  
still to man extends his grace.
- 2 Heaven and earth by him were made;  
all is by his scepter swayed;  
what are we that he should show  
so much love to us below?
- 3 God, the merciful and good,  
bought us with the Savior's blood,  
and, to make our safety sure,  
guides us by his Spirit pure.
- 4 Sing, my soul, adore his Name!  
Let his glory be thy theme:  
praise him till he calls thee home;  
trust his love for all to come.

Music: Ned Rorem (b. 1923)  
Text: Anon., 1800, alt.

*Please join in singing*

**HYMN #141** ~ Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I begun..... *So giebst du nun*

*Please join in saying*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Prayer Book, Page 339

**SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE**

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN #559** ~ Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us..... *Dulce carmen*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Please Join Us for Coffee Hour in Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation; all are invited and encouraged to attend. Guests are especially welcome.*

Watch the Sunday 10:00 Eucharist webcast



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*If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact use via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please DO NOT use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.*

**>Welcome!** *If you are visiting and seeking a connection with us* we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a Visitor Card (located in the pew rack) or point your cell phone at this QR code. *Thank you for worshipping with us.*



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## This Afternoon

Peter Collins, Pianist  
*In Recital*  
3:00 PM



## Easter Flowers



*If you would like to make a contribution toward the Easter Flower array in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please clearly note this on a check or an Easter Flower envelope - return it to the Cathedral office by Friday, April 11. Names will be listed in the Easter service leaflet. Many thanks!*

Stems of cut flowers, any color or kind, are needed for the Flowering of the Cross (at the beginning of the 10:00 Eucharist) on Easter Sunday.



## Sunday Morning Lenten Book Study

On Sunday Mornings during Lent, parishioner (and former Sr Warden) Jesse George will lead a study of the widely acclaimed book *The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus Christ* by Episcopal priest and scholar the Rev. Fleming Rutledge.

This class will take place in Dean's Parlor (next to the Kitchen) from 9:00AM until 9:50AM on March 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6, and 13.

*Please consider joining this important conversation.*

*A full description can be found in *The Canticle*.*

## Lenten Dinners

Join us for the last in a series of family-friendly dinners designed to support Cathedral members on our Lenten spiritual journeys. Held from 5-7 p.m. every other Friday in Lent, drop in for a shared meal (vegetarian options will be available), conversation, and fellowship. This will be a child-friendly event with something for everyone! Mark your calendars, and be sure to RSVP to Fr. Steven Roberts or reach out with any questions: [stevenroberts@cccnola.org](mailto:stevenroberts@cccnola.org).

· April 4

## Sunday Morning Study of Genesis

11:30 AM

“The Book of Genesis is the first book in the Old Testament. It is an amalgam of four ancient stories written by four (or more) authors in Israel. The four authors are identified by the names they used for the God of Israel and the contents of the books they wrote: that is “J” for the sections of Genesis where God is named YHWH (or Jehovah); “E” is the source where God is named ELOHIM (the Lord); “D” is the source of the ancient laws of Israel (Deuteronomist) and “P” is for the sections of Genesis where the role of the Priest is defined. Much later in the history of Israel the four sources were edited into a single historical account of the people of Israel. The Book of Genesis is long—in most bibles it is about 100 pages in length” We will suggest that participants read about 25 pages each week and be prepared to discuss the contents of what has been read.

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## THE WEEK OF MARCH 30, 2025

### SUNDAY

#### *The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

- 9:00 AM Lenten Book Study
- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Sung) (Cathedral)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)
- 11:30 AM Study of Genesis (Dean's Parlor)
- 3:00 PM Peter Collins, Piano Recital  
Spring Within Group (Westfeldt Room)
- 6:00 PM Real Presence

### MONDAY

- 9:00 AM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Dean's Parlor)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 7:00 PM Voices Of New Orleans (VONO) Rehearsal

### TUESDAY

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
- 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women only)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 5:30 PM Yoga in the Cathedral
- 7:00 PM Symphony Of New Orleans (SONO) Rehearsal

### WEDNESDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 4:30 PM Education for Ministry (EfM), Dean's Parlor
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

- 8:00 AM Trinity Loaves & Fishes (Kitchen)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

### FRIDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 5:00 PM Cathedral Lenten Dinner

### SATURDAY

- 12:00 PM New Neighbor Project (Dean's Parlor)

### SUNDAY

#### *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

- 9:00 AM Lenten Book Study
- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Sung) (Cathedral)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)
- 11:30 AM Study of Genesis (Dean's Parlor)
- 3:00 PM Spring Within Group (Westfeldt Room)
- 6:00 PM Real Presence

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