

ST. MATTHIAS ANGLICAN CHURCH
5TH SUNDAY IN LENT (PASSION SUNDAY)
HOLY COMMUNION
MARCH 26, 2023 - 10:30AM

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hymns are found in the blue hymnal in your pew rack titled "The Book of Common Praise 2017"

HYMN #463
"We come, O Christ, to thee"

THE ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Minister: Let us pray. (*all kneel*)

¶ *Minister:*

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.**

¶ *Turning to the people, the minister 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.

¶ *Congregation SINGS Kyrie (right):*

Minister: Let us pray.

The Collect for the 5th Sunday in Lent (Passion Sunday)

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for Lent (to be prayed every day during Lent)

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

752 *unison* **Kyrie eleison, threefold**

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

THE EPISTLE LESSON

(SITTING)

Lector: The Epistle is written in the 9th chapter of the Epistle to Hebrews beginning at the 11th verse.

CHRISt being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

Lector: Here endeth the Epistle lesson.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

(STANDING)

HYMN #407 - "Beneath the cross of Jesus"

(Verses 1 & 2 before the Gospel reading)

Minister: The Holy Gospel is written in the 8th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John beginning at the 46th verse.

Congregation SINGS: 
Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

JESUS said, Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me. And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death. Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself? Jesus answered, If I honour myself, mine honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God: yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you; but I know him, and keep his saying. Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad. Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

THE DOXOLOGY

(STANDING)

Praise God, from who all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Our fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty, To thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Amen.

Minister: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church. *(All kneel)*

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [**alms and*] oblations, and to 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. We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; 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. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [*a silent moment is observed during which you may offer up names*]. ✠ And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

¶ *Then shall the Priest say to those who come to receive the Holy Communion,*

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest, or the Bishop if he be present, turn to the people, say,

ALmighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ The shall the Priest say,

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matthew 11:28*
So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St. John 3:16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. *1 St. John 2:1, 2*

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: (sung) **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

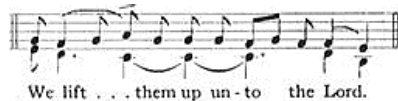
Priest: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

Priest:

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.

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



¶ *Congregation sings Sanctus & Benedictus*

HO - LY, HO - LY, HO - LY, Lord God of hosts,
 O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
 Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry: Glo - ry be to thee,
 in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the High - est.

¶ *The Priest then prays,*

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 Saviour 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 thine 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 Saviour 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 honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Priest: And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

O UR 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.

Priest (kneeling):

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 our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

¶ *Congregation sings the Agnus Dei*

In unison

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

The Distribution of Communion

(All baptized Christians are welcome to receive)

Instructions for receiving Holy Communion

You must be baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost and truly love our Savior, Jesus Christ, to receive Holy Communion.

RECEIVING BY INTINCTION: *If you would like the priest to dip the bread in a separate cup of consecrated wine from which no one drinks directly, and to place it directly on your tongue, please keep your hands folded together in a prayerful position or down to your side and open your mouth when the priest comes to you. Once you receive, and the person next to you has finished receiving, you may rise and return down the side aisle to your pew.*



RECEIVING THE BREAD (non-Intinction): *If you are receiving just the bread (or receiving the bread and then drinking from the common cup), please place your hands out, palm open and upward. Once the priest places the bread in your palm, you may consume it. If you are not receiving wine from the Common Cup, and the person next to you is also finished receiving, you may rise and return down the side aisle to your pew.*



RECEIVING FROM THE COMMON CUP: *If you would like to receive the wine from the Common Cup, you may remain in your place after you consume the bread, and the Deacon or Chalice Bearer will bring the chalice to you. You may gently grab the base and help guild it to your mouth and receive. Once the person next to you is also finished receiving, you may rise and return down the side aisle to your pew.*



BLESSING ONLY: *If you would like a blessing instead of receiving the Sacrament, you may come to the rail and cross your arms across your chest. The Priest will place his hand upon your head and pronounce a blessing. When the person next to you is finished receiving the bread and/or wine, you may rise and return down the side aisle to your pew.*



COMMUNION HYMN

¶ *After the distribution is finished, the congregation will sing the Communion hymn*

HYMN #275

“Let thy blood, in mercy poured”

Minister: Let us pray. (*kneeling*)

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thine everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. 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 honour and glory, world without end.

Amen.

¶ During the seasons of Advent and Pre-Lent/Lent, it is the tradition of the Church to omit the Gloria in Excelsis from the liturgy. This song of the heavenly host will return again during our celebration of Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday.

A PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY & THE BLESSING

ALMIGHTY Father, who binds us together in the one body of Christ, we thank you for the family that you have brought together at St. Matthias. We are blessed by the gifts, talents, support, and fellowship that we have with one another. Our faith is strengthened through the lives we share. We offer up our thanks and our praise, in particular, for *Allan & Christine Sullivan*. Continue to bless *them* and make thy face to shine upon *them*; through Him who prayed that we be one, Thy Son, Jesus Christ.

¶ The Priest shall then pronounce the blessing.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

HYMN #338

“The God of Abraham praise”

DISMISSAL

Minister: Beloved, Go forth into the world in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Organ Postludes

Donna L. Taylor

LENTEN



OFFERING

We have a compulsion to testify
and spread the Gospel

- Bishop Ray R. Sutton



At the 55th General Council of the Reformed Episcopal Church, Bishop Ray Sutton presented the vision that he and his predecessor, Bishop Royal Grote, had of recapturing the Gospel DNA of our Anglican Heritage within the Reformed Episcopal Church. The Vision is to plant 100 missions and churches in the REC. For us as Reformed Episcopalians, we want to reach out while continuing to be who we are as traditional and Biblical, historic prayer book Anglicans.

The financial support of this great vision will come from the annual REC100 Lenten Offering. If every adult contributes at least \$100 during Lent, REC100 can provide over \$200,000 each year towards fulfilling this mission!

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PARISHES



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Welcome to St. Matthias Anglican Church.

*A parish of the Reformed Episcopal Church
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We are so glad that you have joined us for worship this morning, and we pray that that you find St. Matthias to be a parish in which you can embrace **tradition**, experience a **family** and enjoy a **home**. It truly is a pleasure to have you with us, and we hope that you will sign our guest register and join us for some refreshment and conversation next door in Johnson Hall.

Thank you to our **HELPING HANDS**

SERVING SCHEDULE	Mar 26th 5th Sun in Lent Holy Communion	Apr 2nd Palm Sunday Holy Communion	Apr 9th Easter Sunday Holy Communion
Celebrant: Preacher:	Fr. Jason Fr. Jason	Fr. Jason Fr. Jason	Fr. Jason (C & P) Fr. Frankie (Assisting) Dcn. Victor (Gospel)
Server(s)	Aidan Grote Grace Newberry	Aiden Lyles Favor Odinye	<i>Verger:</i> Harry Johnson <i>Thurifer:</i> Aidan L. <i>Crucifer & Server:</i> Aidan W. <i>Acolytes:</i> Favor O. & Aidan G.
Epistoler	Dss. Annette	Tim Wood	Dss. Annette
Usher	Shane Stevens	Aidan Grote	Shane Stevens
Altar Guild	Dcn. Victor & Fr. Jason Color: Purple <i>Crosses veiled</i>	Ellen Grote Color: Purple <i>Crosses veiled</i>	Ellen Adams Color: White
Streaming	Jacob Grote	Agozie Ezeudu	Jacob Grote
Family Prayer	Allan & Christine Sullivan	April Celebrations	REC100 Blessing

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