

Vincent van Gogh, Raising of Lazarus from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

# FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER
MARCH 26, 2023 | 10:00 AM

# 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**

Van Gogh based this 1890 painting on a print by Rembrandt (1606-1669) - but only part of the print. He left out the main figure: Christ with his arm raised. Van Gogh focused on the theme of human suffering. He probably identified with Lazarus in the tomb. That would explain why he gave the figure a red beard.



#### 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.

## Shoesmith School | Kenwood, Chicago

SPR partners with Shoesmith 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 "Shoesmith" and/or "Haiti" in the memo line.

# **THE WORD OF GOD**

# **Prelude**

*Prelude No. 3* from Seven Short Preludes Arthur Maud (b. 1932).

# **Entrance Hymn**

All sing.



The Hymnal 1982 #438 "Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!"

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on *The Song of Mary* ©1962, Hope Publishing Company.

Music: Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949), alt.

# Welcome

Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.

God's mercy endures forever.

# The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

# Almighty God,

you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners:
Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise;
that, among the swift and varied changes of the world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

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

Ezekiel 37:1-14

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

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

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

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# **Canticle G: Song of Ezekiel**

The Choristers sing the antiphon, the congregation joins to repeat. The choir sings the verses, and the congregation joins with the Choristers on all antiphons where marked [Antiphon].

#### Refrain:



- 1. I will take you from a/mong all /nations; and gather you from all lands to / bring you / home. [Antiphon].
- 2. I will sprinkle clean / water up/on you; and purify you from false gods / and un/cleanness. [Antiphon].
- 3. A new heart / I will / give you and a new spirit / put with/in you. [Antiphon].
- 4. I will take the stone heart / from your chest and give you a / heart of / flesh. [Antiphon].
- 5. I will help you / walk in my / laws
  And cherish my com/mandments and / do them. [Antiphon].
- 6. You shall / be my / people, and I will / be your / God. [Antiphon].

Enriching our Music, Vol. 1: *Canticle G: Song of Ezekiel*. Setting: Monte Mason ©2002 Monte Mason (b. 1949).

## **Epistle (New Testament) Reading**

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

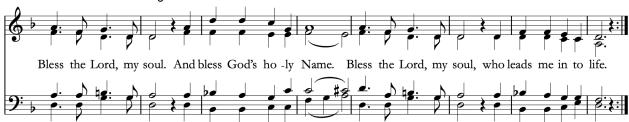
But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Please stand as able and sing.



"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 9:1-41

## Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told

them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

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

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

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

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

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. Barnabas Pusnur, Associate Rector

# **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.

Living Christ, you are the resurrection and the life. Call us from the closed spaces that entomb us, and roll away the stones that block us from your voice. Help us to untie the binds of our neighbors in our work to build common life in this city.

Lord, in your mercy,

# Hear our prayer.

Lord Christ, you wept at the grave of your friend Lazarus. We thank you for the gifts of friends and loved ones on this earthen journey. Shape our hearts of stone into fonts of compassion for the plight of your Creation, that we may nurture righteous relationships with the land.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of Mystery, you make known to us the abundance we feast upon during our Lenten fasts. Nourish our bodies, minds, and spirits with the sustenance we need to honor the appetites for taste and life that you have given us.

Lord, in your mercy,

# Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the celebrations that mark our days, including: **Val** Cavin (3/27), **Irene** Daniel (3/27), **Ann** Evans (3/28), **Wendy** Olmsted (3/29), **Catherine** Eng (3/30), and **William** Johnson (3/31), as they begin another year, and on **David** Follmer & **Anita** Samen (3/28) and **Sara** Kennedy & **George** Chlipala (3/31) as they celebrate their anniversaries.

Lord, in your mercy,

## Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those who have fallen ill in mind, body, or spirit, including: **Shirley** Knight, **Benjamin** Scott (son of Celia Scott), **Becky** Newman (sister of Mary Naftzger), **Dan** Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), **Barbara** Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), **William** Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), and all those on our prayer list. Lord, in your mercy,

## Hear our prayer.

With our Savior, we weep and we pray for our beloved dead and those who love them, remembering especially the Rev. **William** Kruse (husband of Becky Kruse, 3/26/2020), **Uchenna** Michael Agina (son of Michael and Chinyere Agina, 3/27/2015), and **Earle** Tonsgard (3/27/2022, father of Jim Tonsgard). Lord, in your mercy,

## Hear our prayer.

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

God of Mercies, our beginning and ending, quicken our imaginations, that we may live in alignment with your dream for our world. We ask this through Christ, our Friend and Lord. Amen.

Prayer List: Shirley Knight, Benjamin Scott (son of Celia Scott), Becky Newman (sister of Mary Naftzger), Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Ann Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Jake Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), as well as their caregivers.

Prayers of the People: Kenji Kuramitsu.

# **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.

# **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

# Offertory

Sung by the Choir, in honor of the Feast of the Annunciation on March 25th, 2023.

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum. Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.

Sancta Maria, mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

Music: "Ave Maria," R. Nathaniel Dett (1882-1943). Text: Psalm 23, adapt. Isaac Watts (1674-1748).

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

# 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,





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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.

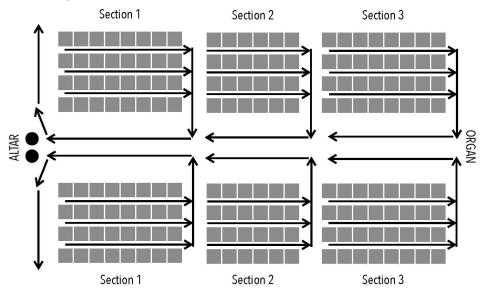


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The gifts of God for the people of God.

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

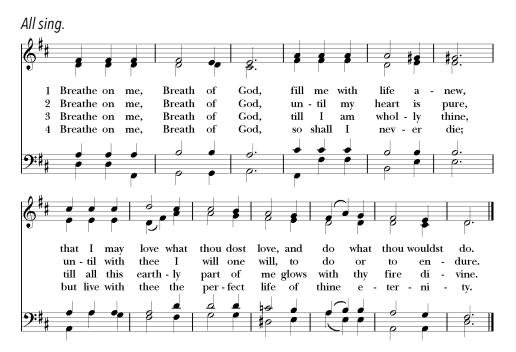
# **Communion Music**



The Hymnal 1982 #465 "Eternal light, shine in my heart"

Words: Christopher Idle (b. 1938), from a prayer of Alcuin (735?-804).

Music: Ach blieb bei uns, melody Samuel Scheidt (1575-1654); harm. Seth Calvisius (1556-1615).



The Hymnal 1982 #508 "Breathe on me, breath of God" Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889), alt.
Music: Nova Vita, Lister R. Peace (1885-1969).

# **Sending Forth**

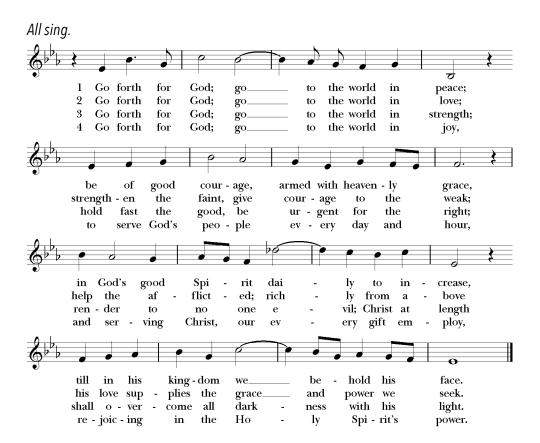
Please stand as able.

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.

The Presider offers a solemn prayer over the people.

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 



The Hymnal 1982 #347 "Go forth for God; go to the world in peace" Words: John Raphael Peacey (1896-1971) and English Praise, 1975, alt. Music: Litton, Erik Routley (1917-1982).

# **Dismissal**

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

Thanks be to God.

# Postlude\*

\*On this final Sunday of Lent, a short verset is offered during the postlude as a time of reflection, prayer, and going forth; please do not applaud afterward. Cantilène, Op. 43, No. 1

Rachel Laurin (b. 1961).

# Coming Up at SPR

# **Holy Week & Easter Worship**

# Palm Sunday, April 2

8:00 AM: Spoken Eucharist

10:00: Choral Eucharist with Procession & Bagpipes

# Maundy Thursday, April 6

5:30 PM: Family Dinner Worship 7:30 PM: Choral Dinner Worship

# Good Friday, April 7

11:00 AM: Stations of the Cross

12:00 PM: Choral Eucharist with Cantors 4:00 PM: Children's Good Friday Service

7:30 PM: Choral Eucharist

# Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil), April 8

9:00 PM: Great Vigil of Easter

# Easter Sunday, April 9

8:00 AM: Spoken Eucharist

10:00 AM: Choral Eucharist with Brass

11:15 AM: Easter Egg Hunt & Potluck Brunch

# **News & Events**

Adult Formation: Visual Epiphanies

This **Sunday, March 26 at 11:00 AM**, the artists from the arts committee's newest show, *Visual Epiphanies*, will give a talk on their work.

# **Refugee Family Visiting Date Change**

We are seeking visitors to our partner family through the Syrian Community Network on the four Sundays in April: **April 2, 16, 23 and 30.** To learn more, contact Robert Bator: rbator@gmail.com.

# 20's/30's Group Events

Everyone in their 20's/30's is invited to the following events. RSVP by **Thursday, March 30** to Julia McMillan: mcmillan013@gmail.com.

- **Saturday, April 1 at 6:30 PM:** Showing of Jesus Christ Superstar in the SPR youth room
- Saturday, May 20 at 1:00 PM:
   Volunteering at the Greater Chicago Food
   Depository (early dinner/drinks afterward)

#### **About This Week's Music**

English-born composer, conductor, and musicologist Arthur Maud penned this week's **prelude**. He emigrated to the States to study with composer Dominick Argento at the University of Minnesota, where he founded and led the early music group Concentus Musicus for over twenty years. The anthem is a setting of the familiar Ave Maria text by R. Nathaniel Dett, who was a Black Canadian-American composer. A highly influential figure during his lifetime, his essay "The Emancipation of Negro Music" was awarded Harvard's Bowdoin Prize while he was a student there. Despite his prominence (or because of it), his music was often criticized for bringing in too much Western Romanticism, especially his arrangements of spirituals. On this final Sunday of Lent, a short verset is offered during the **postlude** as a time of reflection, prayer, and going forth. Quebec-based composer-organist Rachel Laurin has an extensive catalogue of music for all instruments, but a large part of her catalogue is organ repertoire, as is evident by the American Guild of Organists having granted her their Distinguished Composer Award in 2020.

# **Serving Today**

# March 26, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Presider: The Rev. Catherine Healy Preacher: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur Music Leaders: Mark Bilyeu, Megan Cather

Lectors: Stefi Baiju, Mary Naftzger Prayer Reader: Becky Kruse Prayer Writer: Kenji Kuramitsu Acolyte: Andrew Rostan

Chalice Ministers: Gabriel Lear, John Omoworare, Gail

Williams, Fran Spaltro

Ushers: Stefi Baiju, Baiju Markose

Vestry Greeter: Celia Paris Altar Guild: Camille Long

Communion Bread Baker: Michelle Dassinger

# Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, *Rector* 

The Rev. Barnabas E. Pusnur, Associate Rector

The Rev. Jack Seymour, Deacon (on sabbatical through

March 2023)

Mark Bilyeu, Director of Music

Megan Cather, Children's Music Assistant

Lindsey Strieter, Director of Children's Formation

The Rev. Roger Ferlo, *Priest Associate* 

Lukasz Jedrzejewski, *Sexton* Savannah Hegyi, Dennis Kalup,

Ian Murrell, & Ariana Strahl, Staff Singers

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,

Nursery Teachers

# Vestry

Twila Jones, Warden
Baiju Markose, Clerk
Frances Spaltro, Warden
Tayo Adegoke, Treasurer

Nicholas Bellomy Joshua Daniel
Jason Evans Jonathan Foiles
Anne Harlan Vicky Legge
Rebecca Luttrell Andrew Rostan

Celia Paris

# **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.

#### **Shoesmith 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.

