

# Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026

The  
Season  
of  
Lent



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*"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." John 4:23-24*

## The Season of Lent, 2026

On the Sundays in Lent, you will notice a difference in how we come together as God's people to worship God. We begin our service with the Penitential Order (BCP, p.319), which shifts our Confession and Absolution to the beginning of our service and with this shift, our awareness of our dependence on God and our longing for God's grace.

Our music in Lent may have a quieter tone and we are even more intentional about holding spaces of silence. We will be using Rite 1 for much of this season. Our crosses are veiled, and a dark purple is the liturgical color. "Alleluia", which is sung throughout most of our church year and offered in the dismissal during the season of Easter, is absent- we will bring it back joyfully for the first Eucharist of Easter!

Lent is a season for quieting our minds and souls so that we may listen to that small, still voice of God and respond with a renewed heart. Remembering that God alone is the source of wholeness and goodness in our lives, we join Christ in his struggle against evil and death, so that we may also join him in the victory that destroys all death.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you wish to receive communion, place your hands together to receive the bread and you may take a sip of wine directly from the chalice. We also have individual cups available that contain a small amount of wine and a wafer (the consecrated bread); please put your hands in front of you as if you were praying if you'd like this option. **Intinction (dipping the wafer in the chalice) is not permitted.** Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you wish to receive a blessing, please come forward to the altar and cross your arms.

Together, we will keep a holy Lent and prepare our souls for the glory and joy that is ours as an Easter people when we will proclaim "The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!"

*Blessings and love- Mother Dina*

**Third Sunday in Lent**  
**Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 10:00AM**

*\*It is important to us that you consider directions to stand, kneel, etc., in our services as an invitation. If you find any of these to be physically challenging, please worship in whatever pose may work for you, knowing you are fully in God's presence.)*

**The Ringing of the Bells**

*We ring the sacristy bells five minutes before each service to invite us into a respectful silence that settles our souls for this time of Spirit-filled worship.*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Prelude** “There’s a wideness in God’s mercy” Calvin Hampton

**The Processional Hymn** #686, The Hymnal 1982  
“Come, thou fount of every blessing”

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endureth forever.**

*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. *Matthew 22:37-40*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence is kept. Then 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 mankind 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 Priest alone stands and says*

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. Amen.

**The Kyrie** from An American Folk Song Mass

*Moderato*

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.

*Fine*

*D. C. al Fine*

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## **The Collect of the Day**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy Spirit.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*The Officiant says the Collect.*

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The Lessons** *The people sit.*

### **A Reading from the Book of Exodus Exodus 17:1-7**

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.**

Psalm 95 *Said in unison*

- 1 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.
- 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 Reading from Paul's Letter to the Church at Rome

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.**

**The Sequence Hymn**

**#343, The Hymnal 1982**

**“Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless”**

**The Gospel: John 4:5-42**

*Then, all standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying*

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 Homily**

Mother Dina

*A time of silence after the homily is held for reflection.*

**Nicene Creed** *all stand and say together*

BCP 327

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and**

the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The Prayers of the People

*The Priest says*

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

*The Lector says* Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: 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 grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially ++Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for +Audrey and +Kevin, and Mother Dina, 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.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially for our President Donald Trump, our Governor Josh Shapiro, our Senator Lynda Schlegel Culver, our State Representative Mike Stender, and our Mayor Josh Broscious, 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 Mother Dina and family, Father Fred and family, Frances, Angela, Tanya, Weston, Mike, the Sterner family, Dawson, Erika, Nancy, Becky, Easton, Ariella, Ereda, Junior, and Brendaly, AmberLynn, Daya, Arabella, Derick, Noelle, Dean, Fred, Barb, Tatum, Carol, Mary, Sandy, Suzy, Charlie, Max, Melissa, Terry, Baby Ruby and family, Steve, and for those whose needs are known to God alone. Please pray for all healthcare workers, especially Dan, Kara, Melissa, Janice, and their co-workers, all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Also, please pray for all serving in our military, especially **Ann, and Jayden**, law enforcement, and first responders. *Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.*

Today in our Susquehanna Convocation Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Mark's, Northumberland. In our Diocesan/Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Grace Church, Allentown; and Trinity, Chambersburg. For the Diocese of Kajo Keji, we pray for St. Peter Leikor Parish.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, remembering especially Jason, Bev, and Bella, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good example of **St. Matthew** 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. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

BCP 332

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Offertory Hymn

#99, Lift Every Voice And Sing

“My hope is built on nothing less”

1. My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus' blood and  
2. When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on His un -  
3. His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood, Sup - port me in the  
4. When He shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in

1. right - eous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, But  
2. chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale, My  
3. whelm - ing flood; When all a - round my soul gives way, he  
4. Him be found; Dressed in His right - eous - ness a - lone, Fault -

1. whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
2. an - chorholds with - in the veil. On Christ, the so - lid Rock, I stand, All  
3. then is all my hope and stay.  
4. less to stand be - fore the throne.

oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Words: Edward Mote (1797-1874). Music: William B. Bradbury (1816-1868).



redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for 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 to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, 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, we thy people do celebrate and make, 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; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

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



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

BCP 337

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

*The people and Celebrant 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 Celebrant says*

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

**Communion Hymns**

#685, The Hymnal 1982

“Rock of ages, cleft for me”

“Surely it is God who saves me”

#679, The Hymnal 1982

Prayer for Spiritual Communion *All pray together*

Dearest Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we all cannot receive communion in the consecrated bread and wine, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with our hearts, souls, and minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 339

*The Celebrant says* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant and People say together* Almighty and ever living 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.

The Blessing *The Priest blesses the People*

Recessional Hymn

#690, The Hymnal 1982

“Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

The Dismissal *The Priest dismisses the People*

Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Canticle of the turning”

R. Cooney

Serving today's liturgy

The Reverend Dina Carter Ishler, *Celebrant and Preacher*

Patrick Ishler, *Director of Music Ministry*; St. Matthew's Choir  
Mary Ann Loftus, *Thurifer*; Fran Zartman, *Flute*  
Roy Casey, Dana Kelly, *Eucharistic Ministers*  
David Hollabaugh, *SubDeacon*  
Amber Kuczynski, Danny and Jacob Renn, *Worship Assistants*  
Bill Bohner, *Lector*; Barry Treon, *Greeter & Usher*

OUR LENTEN WEDNESDAYS: Join us again this year on Wednesday evenings for fellowship and prayer to mark the holy season of Lent. We'll gather at 6pm in the Hall to open with prayer, then a light meal, then move to the sanctuary for Stations of the Cross, then end with Compline. Please bring a simple dish to share. Questions- see Nate Blanchard, David Hollabaugh, or Mother Dina.

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**PARISH NOTES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 8, 2026**

**COLE ALLEN DIAPER PANTRY:** The next Diaper Pantry will be Saturday, Apr. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. We're in need of volunteers to distribute diapers. Please contact Connie Kistler at [kistinpa@ptd.net](mailto:kistinpa@ptd.net). Please give any monetary donations in an envelope labeled "Diaper Pantry." **Donations of diaper wipes, pull-ups, and sizes 5 and 6 are urgently needed- We covered 79 baby bottoms in February!**

**HIS DISCIPLES FOOD PANTRY:** The next Food Pantry will be held Saturday, March 28, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please contact John Blanchard, 570-286-5415 (leave message) to volunteer. **Donations of canned soups, cereals, and canned fruit are especially welcome, but any donations are greatly appreciated! We fed 44 families in February!**

**CARLA'S OFFICE HOURS:** Office hours are Tuesday and Wednesday, 10AM to 2PM, and Thursday, 10AM to Noon.

**MOTHER DINA'S OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesdays, 11:30am until 5pm or so. Call, text, or email me any time to plan a conversation, pastoral visit, or to share any other need you may have. **I love hearing from you!**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** St. Matthew's is always looking to include new altar servers of all ages for the ministries of: **Eucharistic Minister,**

**Crucifer, Torch Bearers, Lector, Thurifer, etc.** Please contact Mother Dina if interested in participating in these or ANY of our other ministries!

**CHOIR REHEARSAL:** Rehearsals will continue to be Thursday evenings at 5:30pm. All are welcome to join us - **NO MUSICAL EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!**

**COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS:** Volunteers are needed each month to sign up for a weekly coffee hour session. Sign-up sheets are posted in the Choir Room. Any questions, please contact Carol Hixson. This month's sign-ups are:

Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> - Martha Bohner

Mar. 15<sup>th</sup> - Cheryl M. & Krista S.

Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Jerry Yagle

Mar. 29<sup>th</sup> - Matt & David

**YOGA CLASSES:** Yoga classes will be held in the Social Hall every Thursday at 7:00PM. \$5.00 per class.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** Please notify Elaine Schlegel, or the Parish Administrator, Carla Treon, of anyone who needs prayers so they may be added for next upcoming Sunday.

**WEEKDAY SERVICE:** Our week-day service of Holy Eucharist will be held on Wednesdays at Noon. All are welcome!

**COMPLINE SERVICE:** Please join us for these evening services on Wednesdays, 8:00PM, in the Church, on Zoom, or Facebook live. David Hollabaugh will be officiating. Zoom link is listed here: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/88684946715?pwd=xvTfSYXhJjn6ce8ANk1pqbbG6ANeE.1#success>

**VESTRY MEETING:** The monthly Vestry Meeting will be Tues., Mar. 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:45PM due to Lenten Wednesday services.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Adult Bible Study starts at 9:00AM on Mar. 15th. Any questions, please contact Nathan Blanchard.

**UP-COMING MONTHLY EVENTS:** Details to follow closer to the time of the events. Please visit our website for more info:

Tues., **Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>:** Vestry, 5:30PM, Social Hall.

Wed., **Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Weekday Eucharist, Noon

Wed., **Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Lenten Wednesday including Compline, 6:00PM,

Fri., **Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>:** Adult Bible Study, 9:00AM

Wed., **Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>:** Weekday Eucharist, Noon

Wed., Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>: Lenten Wednesday including Compline, 6:00PM,  
Wed., Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>: Weekday Eucharist, Noon  
Wed., Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>: Lenten Wednesday including Compline, 6:00PM,  
Fri., Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>: Easter Egg Making, Time to be announced  
Sat., Mar. 28<sup>th</sup>: Easter Egg Making, Time to be announced  
Sun., Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>: Palm Sunday

**VESTRY MEMBERS:** Fran Zartman, *Senior Warden*; Anissa DeCapria-Sanduta, Matthew Strauser, *Junior Wardens*; Mary Ann Loftus, *Clerk of the Vestry*; Nate Blanchard; Ric Haines, Carter Ishler, Dana Kelly; Pete Kistler, Tina McGee.  
**SEXTON:** Sharon Baney

**DONATIONS:**

All tithes and offerings are most greatly appreciated, as we rely on your prayerful generosity to care lovingly for our physical space and to keep ourselves vital and active in our community through our worship, our witness, our outreach, and our presence.

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