



April 3, 2022: The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Organ Prelude Fantasia in C minor, BWV 537 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Opening Hymn 149 Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church Tune: *Old 124th*

Collect of the Day at 8:15 a.m.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect of the Day at 10 a.m.

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.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Psalm 126

A Psalter for the Christian People, p. 177

The Psalm is reading responsively breaking at the asterisk ().*

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
 then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
 and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
 "The LORD has done great things for them."



- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Gospel

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."



Offertory Anthem *Missa Brevis: Agnus Dei I* Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c.1525-1594)
Sung in Latin: *Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

Music During Communion *Hommage à Frescobaldi: Prelude on the Kyrie* Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

Closing Hymn Lord, whose love through humble service Tune: *Rustington*

Organ Postlude Hymn Prelude on *Old 124th* Healey Willan (1880-1968)
(Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Joan Ferrone and Phyllis L. Ferrone given by Charles Ferrone

Elizabeth H.P. Hall given by Rusty and Dick Reiber

John Christopher Hatch given by Sherry Hatch

Your prayers are requested for Eva and her family, Priscilla T., Kenna C., Pat H., Sam, Elizabeth, Sunrise, Michael G., Janet, Bill C., Thomas, Gail, Sarah, Bill E., Ann, Linda F., Ellen, Gavin, Nancy, Sara, and Mike. And prayers for all serving our country – especially, remembering Brian, Timmy, Tom Z., Emmy, Jack, Sean, Ian, Tim, and Andrew.

This week in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)), our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Amy, Dean of our Cathedral; Carol, our Regional Canon; Jennifer, Pastor at MANNA; and Nick, our priest. Also, our companion parish at St. Luc's, Laxil, Haiti and our siblings at the MANNA Community in Boston.

This week in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the parishes of the Charles River Deanery: Grace Church, Newton; St. John's Church, Newtonville; St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls; Parish of St. Paul, Newton Highlands; and Prison Ministries.

In the Needham Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Temple Beth Shalom.



THOSE WHO SERVE

We have opportunities for lay assistants to serve during worship throughout the year. If you haven't been involved before, now is a great time to try it out! [Sign up online here.](#)

Lector: Amy and Joe Sweeney

Digital Verger: Jamie Morris-Kliment

Crucifer: Annie Russell

Ushers: Abby Carr

Altar Guild: Annie Russell, Joanna Starr, and Rosemarie Rappold-Davis

Coffee Hour: Dottie and Bill Hagar

ONLINE LOOSE PLATE

[Your gift](#) supports the mission and ministry of Christ Church to love God and neighbor, as Jesus teaches.

Holy Week & Easter

April 10, Palm Sunday:

Service with Passion Play,
10AM, in-person & streaming

April 14, Maundy Thursday:

Service for ages 3-83, 5:30PM;
dinner to follow at 6:15PM

April 15, Good Friday:

The Seven Last Words, 12noon

April 17, Easter!

9AM & 11AM

Festal Services,

in-person and
streaming

10AM Easter

Egg Hunt on the

lawn



Wednesday Prayers in Lent from March 9 through April 13 at 8:30am and 8:30pm on [Zoom](#):

8:30am Morning Prayer from *The Book of Common Prayer*

8:30pm Night Prayer from *The New Zealand Prayer Book*

Join us in-person and online for worship and connection on Sundays:

8:15am Holy Eucharist Rite I in the Chapel

10am Holy Eucharist Rite II in the Main Sanctuary and livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [our website](#)

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