

Fourth Sunday in Lent 10 March 2024 10:00 a.m.



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We remember and honor the Indigenous people of the world, especially the Cascades, Cowlitz, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla, whose land that we now occupy in this region was once their home, and it was taken from them. The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Umatilla, and Siletz continue to have a presence in this area. We give thanks for them and express our gratitude for their witness on how to live a life that is honorable and humble. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong to us; that we belong to the Earth, and that we are all relatives in life. Help us to learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 234	10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday (Service begins in Murdock Hall)	
March 28	5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Agape Meal in Murdock Hall Maundy Thursday Service w/foot washing
March 29	Noon 7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross Good Friday Service
March 30	7:00 p.m.	The Great Vigil of Easter with Baptism
March 31	10:00 a.m.	East Day (Bring flowers for the cross)

Donation forms and envelopes for Easter Flowers are available from the Ushers. The deadline for submission is Palm Sunday – March24th. **OPENING VOLUNTARY** Prelude on *Slane* Healey Willan (1880-1968)

ENTRANCE HYMN Be thou my vision Hymnal #488

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Presider Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only God. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

THE CONFESSION

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Presider and People

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.

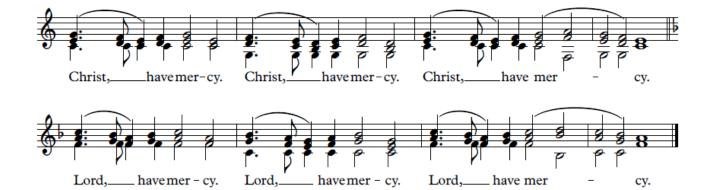
THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

Ukrainian Orthodox Chant

Arr. Christopher Hampson (b. 1980)





THE COLLECT of the DAY

Presider The Lord be with you. **People And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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

All sit.

FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE

Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Lector Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 Confitemini Domino

1 Give thanks to the LORD, who is good, * whose mercy endures for ever.

2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim * that the LORD redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

3 God gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; * they were afflicted because of their sins.

18 They abhorred all manner of food * and drew near to death's door.

19 Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, * who delivered them from their distress.

20 God sent forth a word to heal them * and saved them from the grave.

21 Let them give thanks for the mercy of God, * for the wonders the LORD does for all people.

22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving * and recount the deeds of God with shouts of joy.

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness

toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

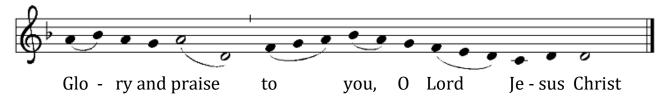
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People Thanks be to God.

All stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor sings Glory and praise...; All repeat Glory and praise... Cantor sings verse; All repeat Glory and praise....



Verse: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:14-21

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John **People Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

A time of silence for reflection follows.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand as able.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The People stand or kneel as able, and the Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those who have requested our prayers: Yvette; Tom; Nicole; Jenny; Ken H.; Linda F.; Diane R.; Jessie; Jim; Cathy B.; Bryan; Galina; The Episcopal Church; St. Andrew's, Cottage Grove; all those whose lives have been disrupted by gun violence, natural disasters, and war, and those known to God alone.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Join in the prayer for the Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please join in the prayer for a new Rector **Most gracious God,**

We thank you for providing for our needs during these past months as we have worked to care for one another and to be good stewards of this sacred space. We have been blessed by those you have sent to us to lead our worship and to encourage us during this transition. Now, O Lord, we turn our thoughts toward the future and the person who will journey with us in the years ahead.

We believe that the person who will become our next rector is hearing your voice and is preparing to respond to your call. We ask that our hearts and minds be open to receive and welcome our new pastor, and the courage to move into the future with the assurance of your loving care. And in moments of uncertainty, may we find comfort in the knowledge that your timing is always perfect.

We offer this prayer in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Presider By your mercy, Lord, hear the prayers of your people, that we may feel renewed and strengthened to do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand as able.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please greet those around you in a way that is comfortable to you and to them as a sign of our participation in Christ's reconciling work in the world

A PRAYER for BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERING

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine to the Altar.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Jesu, Grant Me This, I Pray

Music: *Song 13*, Orlando Gibbons *(1583-1625)* verses in fauxbourdon, Edward C. Bairstow *(1874-1946)* Text: 17th C. Latin hymn, trans. H. W. Baker

1 Jesu, grant me this, I pray, ever in thy heart to stay; let me evermore abide hidden in thy wounded side.

2 If the evil one prepare, or the world, atempting snare, I am safe when I abide in thy heart and wounded side.

3 If the flesh, more dangerous still, tempt my soul to deeds of ill, naught I fear when I abide in thy heart and wounded side.

4 Death will come one day to me; Jesu, cast me not from thee: dying let me still abide in thy heart and wounded side.

The people's gifts to God are presented.

Presider All things come of thee, O Lord

People And of thine own have we given thee.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

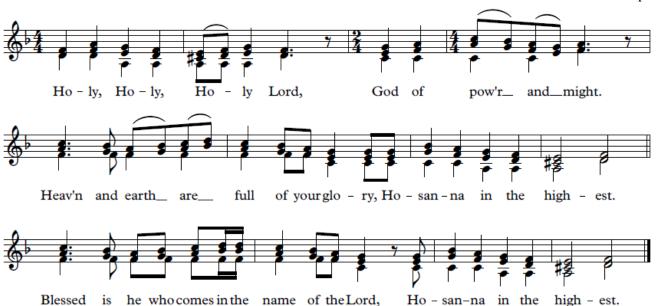
Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Ukrainian Orthodox Chant

Arr. Hampson



The people stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory; And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

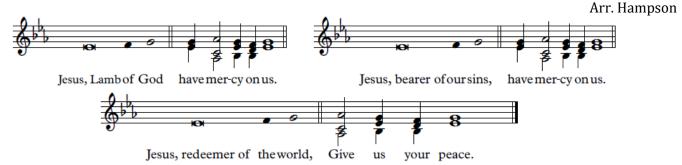
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those

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

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

Ukrainian Orthodox Chant



MINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

All are cordially invited to receive the sacrament or a blessing.

If you prefer to receive a blessing,

please indicate by crossing your arms over your chest.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER

Presider Bow down before the Lord. Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel (bow) before you; Grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN

Amazing grace

Hymnal #671

PRAYER FOR THE INTERIM TIME

Faithful and loving God,
You are always with us even when we feel most alone.
Be with us in the Interim time of waiting and exploring.
Give us ears to hear your still small voice
And eyes to see your light on our path ahead
And open hands to receive the gifts you have for us
And open hearts to love you and one another
And all who come to us,
In the name of Jesus Christ who lived and died and rose,
All so that we might all have abundance of life,
And bring blessing to the world. Amen.

Johannine Blessing

Music: Hampson Text: Joseph Hart (1712-1768)

Dismiss us with your blessing, Lord, Help us to feed upon your word; All that has been amiss forgive, and let your truth within us live.

THE DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Prelude on *Slane* John G. Barr (b. 1938)

During this solemn season of Lent, you are invited to listen in an attitude of prayer and to refrain from applause after the postlude.

SERVING TODAY

Presider The Rev. Julie Smith Crucifer Jimmy McGarvey

Acolytes Heidi Gurney, Stefan Mellara

Lectors Sharon Keady, Jim Reid

Intercessor Cynthia Rauscher Eucharistic Minister Cheryle Gardiner

Ushers Barbara Gross, Sarah Seeley

Organist/Choirmaster Joseph Z. Pettit Organ Scholar Michael Lasfetto

Coffee Hour Nobody signed up for this date



Mondays

8:00 to 10:00 a.m. - Garden Committee, weather permitting.

Thursdays

9:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer (Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m. - Bible Study for Grownups (Narthex)

7:00 to 8:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Fridays

12:30 - Iona Book Club. Meetings will be hybrid:

You may attend in-person in the Guild Room in Likowski Hall or join via Zoom - contact Cheryle Gardiner for the link.

St. Aidan's Friday Community Dinners are temporarily suspended.

We've been invited by Mercy Connections to join them for an Open House at their new office space.

Date: March 16, 2024 / Time: 2:00 P.M - 6:00 P.M

Location: 10700 Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy Building II,

2nd level, Suite 422 Beaverton, Oregon 97007

Come and enjoy the taste of African Food, Beverages, and Snacks...

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If you are visiting with us today, welcome!
If you wish to receive information and updates about services and activities at St. Aidan's, please sign our Welcome Book in the Narthex and join us in Murdock Hall for coffee hour.

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Johannine Blessing - Hampson

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All are welcome to St. Aidan's -

persons of every race, language, age, gender, sexual orientation, sexual identity, physical and mental ability and economic level. We celebrate and are blessed by our many diverse God-given gifts. In accordance with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we hold that discrimination of any kind is outside God's intent for God's people and we affirm our Baptismal Vow to uphold the dignity of every human being. We affirm that all relationships are founded on the principles of God's love, justice and peace.

Statement of Purpose

Our mission is to spread the Promise of Jesus Christ in and beyond our community through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach.

Clergy

The Rt. Rev. Diana Akiyama, Bishop of Oregon

Parish Staff

Organist/Choirmaster: Joseph Pettit
Registrar: LindaCarol McKinlay*
Communications Assistant: Cheryle Gardiner*
Technical Director: John Gurney*
Sexton: Oksana Peremitko
*Volunteer

Vestry

Rachel Hayashi, Senior Warden
Pam Finley
Cheryle Gardiner
John Gurney
Patrick Hoye
Cynthia Rauscher, Clerk
Jim Reid
Alison Saichek
Sarah Seeley

The Beloved Community at St. Aidan's Includes...

Eastside Adult Daycare Services

Tuesday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Galina Nekrasova, Manager SSADS, East Portland www.sunshineads.org 971-274-8168

Kingdom Harvest Ministries

Sunday – 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Pastor J. Hilary Gbotoe, Jr. 503-756-6123

Mercy Connections

Connecting Communities and Resources Mercy Henderson, Executive Director & Founder mercy@mercyconnections.net

St. Antonious Coptic Orthodox Church

Saturday – 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Fr. Mekhail Hanna, Priest Moheb Sadek, Deacon http://www.stantonious.org

Kingdom Citizen Friendship Church

Sunday – 3:00 p.m-5:00 p.m. Wilson Deitas, Pastor 971-757-6933