



March 15, 2026 – Livestream  
Fourth Sunday of Lent

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

*Prelude in G Minor*

K. Thompson  
Cathedral Ringers  
Kelley Warbinton, director

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord,

**People: that Christ may teach us his ways and we may walk in his paths.**

Leader: Come, let us worship in the light of the Lord,

**People: that the Spirit may reveal his grace and we may live in his hope.**

\*OPENING HYMN #60

*I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath*

***I'll praise my Maker while I've breath; and when my voice is lost in death,  
praise shall employ my nobler powers. My days of praise shall ne'er be past,  
while life, and thought, and being last, or immortality endures.***

***Happy are they whose hopes rely on Israel's God, who made the sky  
and earth and seas, with all their train; whose truth for ever stands secure,  
who saves th'oppressed and feeds the poor, for none shall find God's promise vain.***

***The Lord pours eyesight on the blind; the Lord supports the fainting mind  
and sends the laboring conscience peace. God helps the stranger in distress,  
the widow and the fatherless, and grants the prisoner sweet release.***

***I'll praise my God who lends me breath; and when my voice is lost in death,  
praise shall employ my nobler powers. My days of praise shall ne'er be past,  
while life, and thought, and being last, or immortality endures.***

ANTHEM (11:00)

*With Mind and Spirit*

M.R. Tucker  
Choristers and Cathedral Ringers  
Rosie Jordan director, Eric Applegate, piano

*Refrain: God our God is the God of the mind, the God of the spirit, too.*

*God our God hears the praise and prayer we offer our whole lives through.*

*Mind and spirit sing. Let our praises ring!*

Pray, pray, we will pray with the mind, pray with the spirit, too.

Pray, pray and open our eyes to see what the Lord can do! *Refrain*

Sing, sing to the God of the mind. Sing with the spirit and voice!  
Sing, O sing with all our hearts. Hear how the people rejoice! *Refrain*

OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God,  
whose love governs the universe,  
strengthen our hands to do your work of justice,  
widen our hearts to share your gift of mercy,  
and open our eyes to see your vision of peace  
for all people and for the glory of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #137

Psalm 23

Ed Adams

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**People: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.**

Leader: He restoreth my soul:

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

**People: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

Leader: Thou preparest a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil:  
my cup runneth over.

**People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 61:1-3

Christine Rembert

<sup>1</sup>The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me  
because the Lord has anointed me,  
God has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and release to the prisoners,

<sup>2</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;

<sup>3</sup>to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the Lord, to display God's glory.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF PRAYER #454

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

***Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;  
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!***

***Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;  
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!***

***Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;  
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: God calls us to examine ourselves

in the light of Jesus Christ through the confession of our sins. Let us pray:

**People: God, whose works are greater than our sins,  
we confess that we have chosen the darkness of sinful desires  
over the delights of your extravagant grace.  
We have been blinded by evil,  
and we have not trusted in your hope.  
We do not understand how we became so lost.  
Lead us into the light of your forgiveness  
by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Leader: In Jesus Christ, our Judge is our Redeemer

who pronounces the verdict of love that restores us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed.

**People: Glory to God. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

MUSICAL RESPONSE #2277

*Lord, have Mercy*

***Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Behold the Lamb*

C. Courtney  
Cathedral Singers

Behold the Lamb of God, the Lamb for sinners slain:  
A perfect sacrifice for all, he died but lives again.  
Behold the Lamb of God, behold his hands, his side.  
The Son of God, the Sinless Lamb, for me was crucified.

He lives let heav'n rejoice, and earth her honors bring.  
To Him, the everlasting God, the great eternal King.  
Behold the Lamb of God, Behold his hands, his side.

The Son of God, the Sinless Lamb, for me was crucified.

Oh, strike your harps of gold, Ye ransomed host above.  
Praise Him who bought you with his blood, And saved you by his love.  
Behold the Lamb of God, Behold his hands, his side.  
The Son of God, the Sinless Lamb, for me was crucified.

\*LENTEN DOXOLOGY

***Praise God throughout these forty days.  
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.  
And praise the Spirit who imparts  
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.***

\*GOSPEL LESSON

John 9:1-7, 35-39

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup> His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup> We must work the works of God who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. <sup>5</sup> As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." <sup>6</sup> When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup> saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

<sup>35</sup> Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup> He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." <sup>37</sup> Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." <sup>38</sup> He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see may see and those who do see may become blind."

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Turn to Hope, Part Four*

Darren Cushman Wood

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION #436

*The Voice of God is Calling*

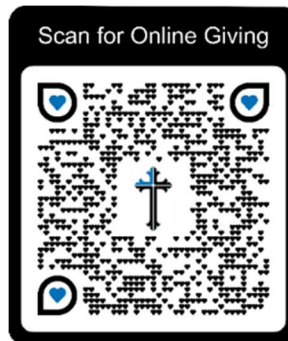
***The voice of God is calling its summons in our day;  
Isaiah heard in Zion, and we now hear God say:  
"Whom shall I send to succor my people in their need?  
Whom shall I send to loosen the bonds of shame and greed?  
  
"I hear my people crying in slum and mine and mill;  
no field or mart is silent, no city street is still.  
I see my people falling in darkness and despair.  
Whom shall I send to shatter the fetters which they bear?"  
  
We heed, O Lord, your summons, and answer: Here are we!  
Send us upon your errand, let us your servants be.  
Our strength is dust and ashes, our years a passing hour;  
but you can use our weakness to magnify your power.  
  
From ease and plenty save us; from pride of place absolve;  
purge us of low desire; lift us to high resolve;  
take us, and make us holy; teach us your will and way.  
Speak, and behold! We answer; command, and we obey!***

\*THE BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Come, Labor On*

arr. M. Burkhardt



### Upcoming Events:

Lenten Communion Service, Wednesdays, 7:30am  
Eviction Clinic, Saturday, March 21, 10:00am-1:00pm  
Kids' Cookies and Canvas, 4:00-6:30pm, Room 203  
Earth Hour Worship, March 28, 8:30pm

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*Sermons are now available on Spotify.*

### Today's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood  
*Senior Pastor*  
Eric Russell  
James Horton  
*Audio Visual*  
Kathleen Hacker  
*Interim Director of Music*  
Heather Hinton  
*Organist*

### Holy Week and Easter:

Palm to Passion Sunday Service, March 29, 8:30 and 11:00am  
Holy Thursday Communion Service, April 2, 7:30pm  
Good Friday Community Prayer Service, April 3, 12:00noon  
Good Friday Rutter's Requiem, April 3, 7:30pm  
Easter Communion Service, April 5, 8:30am  
Easter Celebration Service, April 5, 11:00am