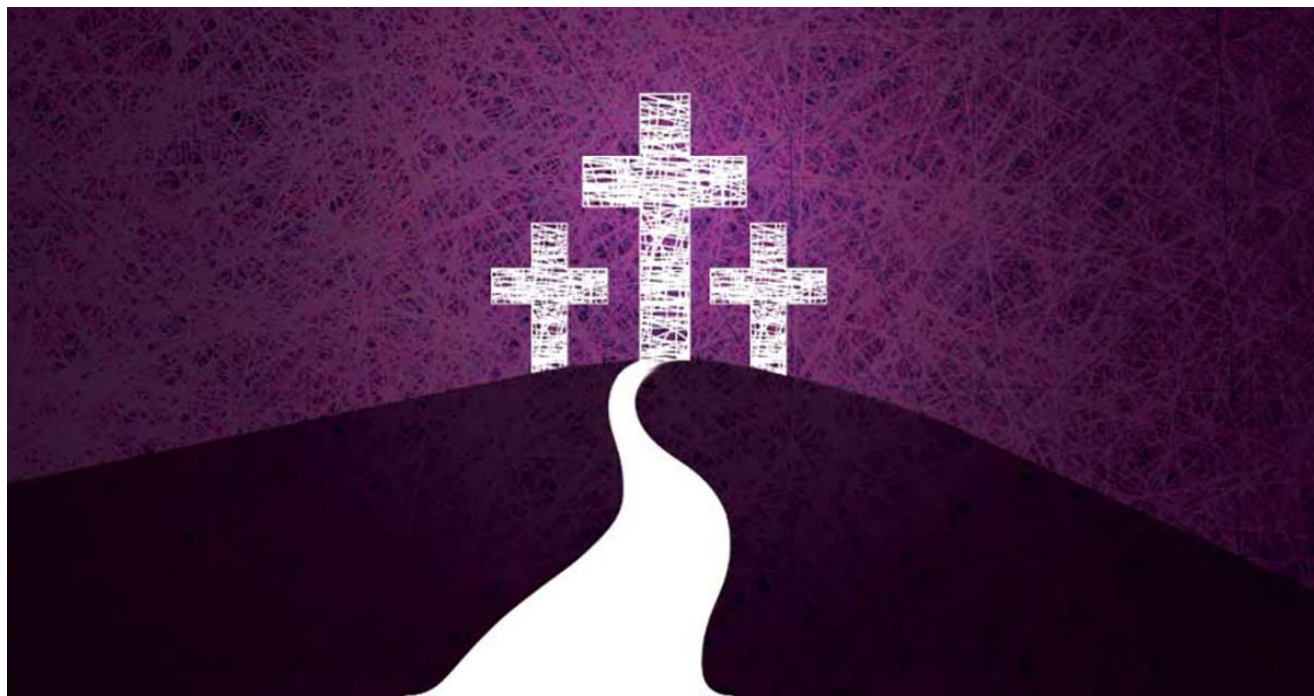




**ST. THOMAS**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We, the baptized ministers,  
declare Christ's Mission for us:  
to grow as a Church  
in the spiritual strength  
of community,  
and to care, reach out,  
and include all people in Christ's love.

# Fourth Sunday in Lent



Holy Eucharist, Rite II—10:00 AM

March 10, 2024

Welcome to St. Thomas! We are so glad that you are here with us. If you are new to our community, we invite you to fill out a welcome card located in the pew rack in front of you, and either place it in the offering plate or hand it to a priest. We also invite you to stay with us for coffee hour after the service.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Choral Introit

*Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

#641 Hymnal 1982

### Welcome

The Rev. Fran Gardner-Smith

### Procession

*Lift High the Cross*

#473 Hymnal 1982

*Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim  
 till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.  
 till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied  
 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Repeat Refrain*

the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.  
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.  
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

## The Penitential Order

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**His mercy endures forever.**

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. 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 commandment greater than these."

## Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *A time of silence.* Together, let us pray,

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you**

**in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.**

**Amen.**

## Absolution

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.**

*During the singing of the Trisagion, children from Pre-K to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade are invited to follow the crucifer to Children's Chapel.*

Trisagion (sung three times)

by Dr. Lori Lind, in memory of Jim Galloway

**Andantino** Ho - ly - God, Ho - ly and Migh- ty, Ho - ly Im-mor -

7 tal - One - - Have mer - cy - u-pon - - - us, - Have mer-cy on - - - us.

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## **The Collect of the Day**

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

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Lesson**

### **Numbers 21:4-9**

A reading from the Book of Numbers.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22** (*We will pray a portion of Psalm 107 responsively by half verse*)

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
**and his mercy endures for ever.**
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim \*  
**that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.**
- 3 He 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 they cried to the LORD in their trouble, \*  
**and he delivered them from their distress.**

20 He sent forth his word and healed them \*  
**and saved them from the grave.**

21 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy \*  
**and the wonders he does for his children.**

22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
**and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.**

## **The Second Lesson**

## **Ephesians 2:1-10**

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Sequence Hymn can be found on Page 6*

## **The Gospel**

## **John 3:14-21**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sequence Hymn**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 1, 2 / 3*

**#111 LEVAS II**

1. Come, Thou fount of ev - ery bless-ing, Tune my heart to sing thy  
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by thy help I'm  
 3. O, to grace how great a debt - or, Dai - ly I'm con - strained to

1. grace; Streams of mer - cy nev - er ceas-ing, Call for songs of loud-est  
 2. come; And I hope, by thy good pleas-ure, Sure - ly to ar - rive at  
 3. be; Let that grace, Lord, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - d'ring heart to

1. praise. Teach me some mc - lo-dious son - nect, Sung by flam - ing tongucs a -  
 2. home. Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, Wan - d'ring from the fold of  
 3. Thee. Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel - it, Prone to leave the God I

1. bove. Praise the mount, O fix me on it. Mount of God's un - chang-ing love.  
 2. God. He, to save my soul from dan-ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.  
 3. love. Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it from thy courts a - bove.

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The Nicene Creed

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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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 Prayers of the People

Kneeling as you are able, let us pray.

From pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil,  
**Savior deliver us.**

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your  
word,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your  
baptism, fasting and temptation,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your  
reign,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,  
**Savior deliver us.**

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,  
**Savior deliver us.**

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Enlighten all bishops, priests, deacons, and church staffs, especially the staff at St. Thomas, with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give your wisdom and strength to Joe Biden, the President of the United States, Glenn Youngkin, the Governor of Virginia, and the officials of Fairfax County, that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit especially Vincent, Cheryl, Megan Irene, Lucy, Baby Vera, Steve, Emily and Dave, Lynn, Betsy, Yusuf, Mari, Bruce, Bill, Jack, Caroline, Roy, Herb, Bill, and others you would name *[pause]*.

Provide for those who are homeless, hungry or destitute.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Show your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**



Hear us as we remember those who have died, especially those you would name *[pause]* and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

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Together let us pray for St Thomas Church.

**Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of your Church is governed and sanctified, hear our prayer for St Thomas, build in us a renewed vision of your Church; shape our life according to your will; empower us with the gifts to make us one that together we may grow as a church in the spiritual strength of community and reach out to include all people in Christ's love, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*Following the exchange of peace in the church, peace is exchanged with the congregation on Zoom.*

### The Offertory

I appeal to you, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.



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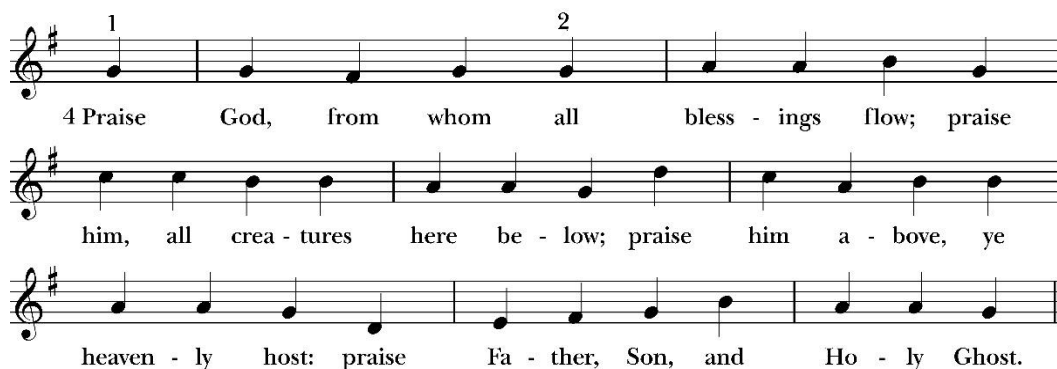
### Offertory Anthem

*O Give Thanks to the Lord*

Corfe, Kirby, Clarke

### The Doxology

Hymnal 1982 #43, Verse 4



4 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise  
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye  
heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*This hymn may be sung unaccompanied as a four-part canon at the distance of one measure.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Gluten free wafers are available on request. As the Eucharist is distributed, all who desire prayers for healing—for themselves or for others—are invited to come to the healing minister behind the lectern on the right as you face the altar.*

### **The Great Thanksgiving      Eucharistic Prayer C**

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 him thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glorify you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

### **Sanctus**

**by Dr. Lori Lind, in memory of Jim Galloway**

*f*  
ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and-might hea-ven and earth are  
6  
full - of your great glo - ry! Ho-san-na in the high - est ho-san-na in the high - est!

12 comes in the name of the Lord!-- Ho---san-----na!

Bless-ed is He who comes - in the name - of - the-Lord! Ho - san-na in the high - est

17 in- the - high - est! ho - san - na in the high - est!

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Miriam, Deborah, and Esther; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us.

**Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.**

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

**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.**

## Fraction

by Dr. Lori Lind, in memory of Jim Galloway



Je - sus - Lamb of - God that takes a-way the sins of the world -

8  
Je - sus Lamb of - God that takes a-way the sins of the world Have mer - cy u -

16  
pon - us, And grant us peace u - pon - the earth

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.

### **A note about the distribution of the Eucharist:**

*We have returned to offering the common cup, but there will continue to be a separate cup for intinction. If you would like to receive by intinction, please go the left side of the altar rail and the presiding priest will dip the bread in the cup for you. If you would like to sip from the common cup, please go to the right side of the altar rail where the bread and the cup will be offered separately. If you would like to consume only the bread, please also go to the right side and you may simply return to your seat after receiving the bread. As a reminder, we do not kneel at the altar rail one by one. When you go to the altar rail, please fill in all the way to the end. The ministers distributing communion will come around to you.*

### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion on Zoom**

*While some members of our congregation are receiving communion at church, those members gathered to worship on Zoom will say the following prayer:*

**In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally today, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

**Communion Hymn**

*Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

#620 Hymnal 1982

1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when  
2 Thy saints are crowned with glo - ry great; they  
3 There Da - vid stands with harp in hand as  
4 Our La - dy sings Mag - ni - fi - cat with  
5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God

1 shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows  
2 see God face to face; they tri - umph still, they  
3 mas - ter of the choir; ten thou - sand times would  
4 tune sur - pass - ing sweet, and bless - ed mar - tyr's  
5 grant that I may see thine end - less joy, and

1 have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
2 still re - joice in that most hap - py place.  
3 one be blest who might this mu - sic hear.  
4 har - mo - ny doth ring in ev - ery street.  
5 of the same par - ta - ker ev - er be!

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**Post-communion Prayer for a Multi-located Congregation**

Let us pray. **God of abundance, we gather as your faithful people near and far. We believe you are present with us as we are united with Christ and one another in prayer and sacrament. We thank you for feeding all of us with your love and for making 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 love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.** *Written by the Rev. Dorota Wright-Pruski, adapted by the Rev. Will Drosos*

## The Blessing

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Announcements

### Recessional Hymn

### *Amazing Grace!*

### **#181 Lift Every Voice and Sing II**

1. A - maz - ing grace! — how sweet the sound, That  
2. 'Twas grace that taught — my heart to fear, And  
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
5. When we've been there — ten thou - sand years, Bright

1. saved a wretch like me! — I once was lost, but  
2. grace my fears re - lieved; — How pre - cious did that  
3. word my hope se - cures; — He will my shield and  
4. have al - read - y come; — 'Tis grace that brought me  
5. shin - ing as the sun, — We've no less days to

1. now am found, Was blind, but now — I see. —  
2. grace ap - pear The hour I first — be - lieved! —  
3. por - tion be As long as life — en - dures. —  
4. safe thus far, And grace will lead — me home. —  
5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first — be - gun. —

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**The Dismissal**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**      Variations on *Olivet*

**Worship Participants**

Presiders	Rev. Fran Gardner-Smith
Preacher	Caroline Mitchell
Altar Guild	Jan Hamilton
Digital Verger	Walter Lazear
Staff Person on Zoom	Rev. Will Drosos
Children’s Chapel	Lael Lyons & Mary Cushing
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Smith, Br. Joshua Waits, Mary Cushing
Healing Minister	Caroline Mitchell
Lector & Intercessor	Debby Reed
Usher	Ed Rhodes
Counters	Ed Rhodes

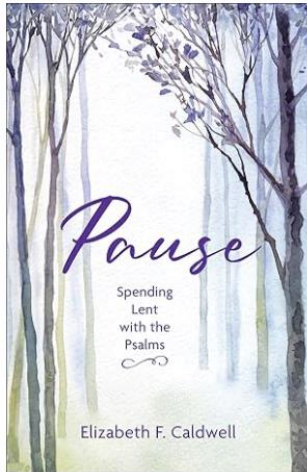
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Questions, comments, concerns, compliments,  
all welcome.

**Second Story and a Youth Service Project Today!**

All are invited to Welcome Table today at 4 pm for a combination presentation and youth service project for Second Story. First, a Community Outreach Liaison from Second Story will speak about the myriad programs that Second Story offers at-risk youth in Fairfax County. St. Thomas has been a stalwart supporter of this well-regarded non-profit agency, including through our backpack and Thanksgiving bag collections. We've asked the liaison representative to speak about other avenues for volunteerism that we might pursue with them.

After the presentation, parish youth will be stuffing plastic Easter eggs with candy for an Easter egg hunt for the children served by Second Story. It's a wonderful opportunity to provide children living in compromised circumstances with some joy and fun. To help make this a success, **we invite donations of candy**. Candies should be nut-free and individually wrapped. We'll be grateful for any contributions!

## **Lenten Soup Supper & Program 2024** **A Time for Reflection with the Psalms**



Lenten Soup Suppers and our Lenten program happen on Tuesday nights during Lent. We'll gather in Hudson Hall from 6-7 for our soup supper. Then, from 7-8:15, there will be a hybrid gathering (in Hudson Hall and on Zoom) where I will lead us in simple worship. I'll do some teaching. We'll talk together, and then have a time for reflection. There will also be a spiritual practice that you can take home with you each week to use between our sessions.

The remaining dates are:

March 12

March 19

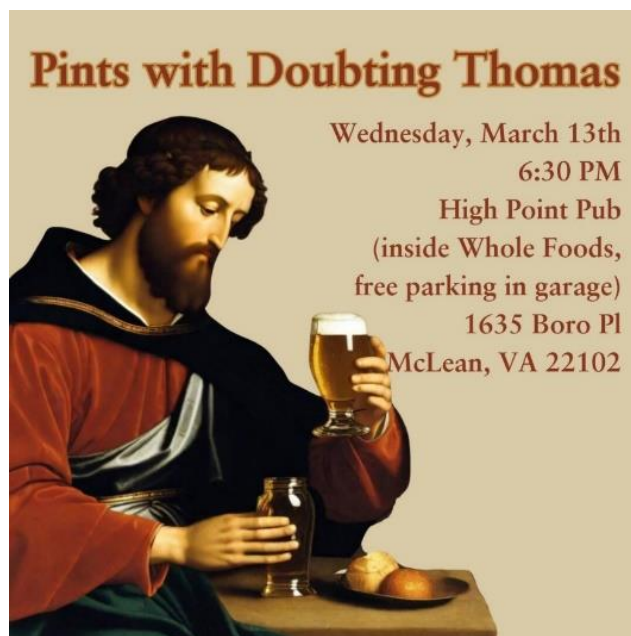
I hope you will join us for this time of reflection and spiritual renewal.

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### **Pints with Doubting Thomas Continues on March 13<sup>th</sup>**

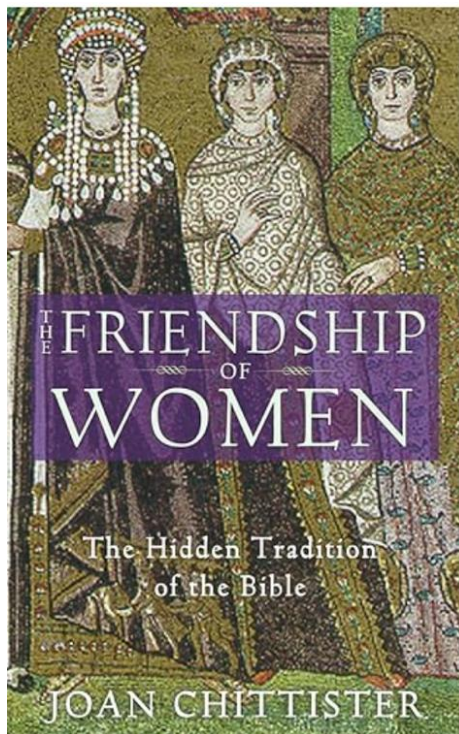
We had a lively discussion at Pints with Doubting Thomas last Wednesday! Please join us on March 13<sup>th</sup> for part 2 of our discussion on how God can allow suffering. We will do a quick recap of what we covered in Part 1, so no one will be left behind.

All are welcome, please join us!





## WOMEN GATHERING ZOOM MEETUP



Ladies, please join us on Zoom on the second Thursday of the month, **March 14th, at 4:30**. We'll read the chapters on Phoebe, Esther, and Martha of Bethany (about 20 pages total). The discussion will consider how each subject brings out a different quality of friendship: support (Phoebe), leadership (Esther), and truth (Martha). Mary, our Deacon in training, will lead the discussion. *The Friendship of Women* is available on [Amazon](#).

For inquiries, you can email Betsy at [ehelman2003@yahoo.com](mailto:ehelman2003@yahoo.com) or the Zoom link, email Audrey at [audreyjadair@gmail.com](mailto:audreyjadair@gmail.com)



**The next meeting of the ECW is next Sunday, March 17th at 11:30 am in the ELC Conference Room and on Zoom.**

Join Zoom Meeting

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