The Word of God

Opening Hymn No. 598

Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, upon a cross they bound thee,
And mocked thy saving kingship then by thorns with which they crowned thee;
And still our wrongs may weave thee now
New thorns to pierce that steady brow, and robe of sorrow round thee.

O aweful Love, which found no room in life where sin denied thee,
And, doomed to death, must bring to doom the powers which crucified thee,
Till not a stone was left on stone,
and all those nations' pride, o'er thrown, went down to dust beside thee!

New advent of the love of Christ, shall we again refuse thee,
Till in the night of hate and war we perish as we lose thee?
From old unfaith our souls release
To seek the kingdom of thy peace, by which alone we choose thee.

O wounded hands of Jesus, build in us thy new creation;
Our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled, we wait thy revelation:
O love that triumphs over loss,
We bring our hearts before thy cross, to finish thy salvation.

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A Penitential Order: Rite One

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins; *People*: His mercy endureth for ever.

The Celebrant says

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8,9

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, 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.

Here is sung or said

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

The Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

The word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;

Lord, hear my voice; *

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *

O Lord, who could stand?

3 For there is forgiveness with you; *

therefore you shall be feared.

4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; * in his word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord,*
more than watchmen for the morning,
6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
for with the Lord there is mercy;
7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

The Epistle Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn (vs. 1-3, 4-5) No.152

Kind Maker of the world, O hear the fervent prayer with many a tear Poured forth by all the penitent who keep this holy fast of Lent!

Each heart is manifest to thee; thou knowest our infirmity; Now we repent and seek thy face; grant unto us they pardoning grace.

Spare us, O Lord, who now confess our sins and all our wickedness, And for the glory of thy Name, our weakened souls to health reclaim.

Give us the discipline that springs from abstinence in outward things With inward fasting, so that we in heart and soul may dwell with thee.

Grant, O thou blessed Trinity; grant, O unchanging Unity; That this our fast of forty days may work our profit and thy praise! The Holy Gospel John 11:1-45

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the lews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.

Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his

feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord. *People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing

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

Brothers and sisters, the Spirit of God dwells in you. Let us appeal to our God, saying, "We call to you, O Lord; Lord, hear our voice."

Breathe new life into your Church, O Lord. Where our bones are dried up, where our hope is lost, cause your life-giving breath to enter. Give us confidence in the truth that the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead dwells in us.

Silence

We call to you, O Lord;

People: Lord, hear our voice.

Many are they who wait for you, O Lord. Speak into the souls of those suffering throughout the world, a word of hope.

Silence

We call to you, O Lord;

People: Lord, hear our voice.

Creating God, it is the wind of your Spirit that sweeps across this planet. Renew and refresh your creation; bring forth newness in dead places.

Silence

We call to you, O Lord;

People: Lord, hear our voice.

With you, O Lord, there is plenteous redemption. Restore the hope of this city.

Renew our trust that you have a life-giving future in mind for us.

Silence

We call to you, O Lord;

People: Lord, hear our voice.

With you, O Lord, there is mercy. Consider well the voice of those who call out from their depths. As they wait for you in their pain and sorrow, give life to their mortal bodies by your healing Spirit.

Silence

We call to you, O Lord;

People: Lord, hear our voice.

God, we trust your Son Jesus to be for us resurrection and life. Give to the dead your life. Assure the living with the promise of resurrection.

Silence

We call to you, O Lord;

People: Lord, hear our voice.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* And with thy spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Announcements

The Offertory Hymn

No. 665

All my hope on God is founded; He doth still my trust renew. Me through change and chance He guideth, only good and only true. God unknown, He alone calls my heart to be His own.

Mortal pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust: Though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness e're endureth, deep His wisdom, passing thought: Splendor, light and life attend Him, beauty springeth out of naught.

Evermore from His store newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow. His desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at His hand; joy doth wait on His command. Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, High above all praises praising for the gift of Christ His Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

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The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer II

The people remain standing.

The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Here may be added

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our 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, our selves, 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.

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

People and Celebrant

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast.

The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung or said here

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

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.

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

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 spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Communion Hymn

No.439

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this,
That caused the Lord of bliss,
To lay aside his crown,
For my soul, for my soul,
To lay aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great "I AM,"
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing!
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on,

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,

And thro' eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

And thro' eternity, I'll sing on.

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Post Communion Hymn

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord

Gentile or Jew, servant or free; woman or man no more.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields, scattered and blown, gathered to one for all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving 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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn No. 495

Hail, thou once despised Jesus! Hail, thou Galilean King! Thou didst suffer to release us, thou didst free salvation bring. Hail, thou universal Savior, bearer of our sin and shame! By thy merit we find favor, life is given through thy Name.

Paschal Lamb, by God appointed, all our sins on thee were laid; By almighty love anointed, thou hast full atonement made. All thy people are forgiven through the virtue of thy blood; Opened is the gate of heaven, reconciled are we with God

Jesus, hail! enthroned in glory, there forever to abide; All the heavenly host adore thee seated at thy Father's side. There for sinners thou art pleading; there thou dost our place prepare. Ever for us interceding, till in glory we appear.

Worship, honor, power, and blessing, thou art worthy to receive;
Highest praises, without ceasing, it is right for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits, all your noblest praises raise!
Help to sing our Savior's merits, help to chant Emmanuel's praise!

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PRAYER LIST

Anglican Cycle of Prayer for the Diocese of Karanoja (Uganda)...

Diocesan Calendar of Prayer for the members and ministry of the Investment Advisory Committee...

Parish Calendar of Prayer for our Property Committee...

For Our sons and daughters in the military Nathan, Kenney, Zach, Jack, Garrett, Willie...

For those Celebrating Birthdays this week Laura McFadden (4/4)

For the Sick, Suffering & Infirm Janis, Veronica, Barbara M., the Caya Family, Patrick, Charleen, Denise, Jaxson, Dan Sr., Dinny, Melissa, Janet, Rick, Bill, Rodney, Evelyn, Stephen, Cheryl, Matt, Lisa, Maryann, Craig, Steve K., Martin, Mark, Lori, Sue J., Tanya, Leslie & Chris, Jeannie, Barbara W., Francis, Lonnie, Terry, Kate & Rob, Kulin, Adam & Amanda, the Aregood Family, Sue, Marlene, Karen, Francine, Joseph, Sarah, Dot, Ed, Linda, Patrick C, and for all those suffering from the effects of the Coronavirus...

KEEPING UP ON YOUR WEEKLY OFFERING – Even during these weeks when we are not able to use our building, the church still has bills that need to be paid. We ask that, if you are able, you continue to support the work of the church by mailing in your offering envelopes. We are currently researching the best ways to allow offerings to be made electronically, but until this system is in place, we'll just have to rely on snail mail. Offerings received during the week will be presented at the altar the following Sunday. Also – don't forget to save your loose change. We'll have one *tremendously noisy* Noisy Collection for ERD the week we all return to church!

<u>FOOD PANTRY DONATION FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH</u> - Don't forget we are still collecting various items for the Collingswood Food Pantry. For the month of March, we ask for donations of Laundry Detergent. If you have not brought in your donations of baby food, baby cereal and formula from February, we will still take them. Please leave your donations in the tower and we will deliver them.

<u>LENT MADNESS 2020</u> - the Saintly Smackdown is back with on-line voting — Who will win the Golden Halo? If you're looking for a Lenten discipline that is fun, educational, occasionally goofy, and always joyful, join the Lent Madness journey. Lent Madness pits 32 saints against one another in a single-elimination bracket. On the weekdays of Lent go to www.lentmadness.org to read about two different saints and cast your vote for the one you'd like to see move on to the next round. The winner after five rounds is awarded the coveted Golden Halo.

The ERD GLOBE VOTIVE LIGHT

Continues to burn during Lent in celebration for our noisy collection which will bring a little light to the world. The Votive Light is in commemoration of Episcopal Relief and Development, a worldwide program of mission in Christ, responding both to crisis and offering long term effective development around our world.