

Church of the Advent of Christ the King, San Francisco  
The Fourth Sunday in Lent: *Laetare Sunday*

March 30, 2025, 11:00 a.m.

High Mass

THE PREPARATION

*O Gott, du frommer Gott*, Op. 65, No. 50

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Entrance

**Hymn 343** *Shepherd of souls*

St. Agnes

Introit Antiphon *Laetare*

Mode V

*Laetare Ierusalem: et conventum facite  
omnes qui diligitis eam:  
Gaudete cum laetitia,  
qui in tristitia fuistis:  
ut exultetis, et satiemi  
ab uberibus consolationis vestrae.*

Rejoice Jerusalem, and be glad because of her,  
all you who are loved by her.  
Rejoice and exult with gladness  
all you who in sadness mourn for her;  
be filled with triumph, and be satisfied  
with consolation flowing from her motherly breast.

*Laetatus sum in his quae dicta sunt mihi:  
In domum Domini ibimus.*

I was glad when they said unto me:  
“Let us go into the house of the Lord.”

*Gloria Patri...*

Glory to the Father...

Confession of Sin & Absolution

Prayer Book, p. 352

Antiphon *Asperges me*

Mode VII

CANTOR

PEOPLE

Purge me, O Lord,

from my sin and I shall be pure:

wash me, and

I shall be made whiter than snow.

CANTOR

PEOPLE

Have mercy on me, O God: according to your loving kindness.

CANTOR

PEOPLE

Glor - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son: and to the Ho - ly Spi -

rit: as it was in the be - gin - ning is now,

and will be for ever. A - - - men.

FINE

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Acclamation +

Prayer Book, p. 355

*Celebrant*  
Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

*People*  
His mercy en - dures for ev - er.

Collect for Purity

Prayer Book, p. 355

Mass Setting: A Service of Holy Communion

John Merbecke (c. 1505-c. 1585)

Kyrie eleison

Merbecke

CANTOR CONGREGATION

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Collect

Prayer Book, p. 219

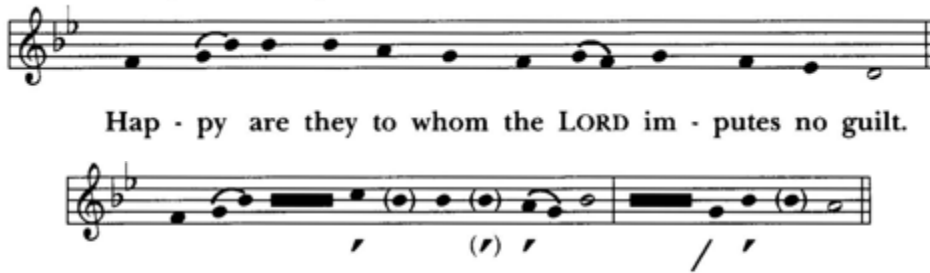
First Lesson

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm 32 *Beati quorum*

Tone III.4

*The Cantor sings the antiphon, repeated by the People. All repeat the antiphon after the close of the Psalm.*



- 1 *Happy* are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
and whose sin / is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LÓRD imputes nō guilt, \*  
and in whose spirit there / is nō guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones wíthered áway, \*  
because of my groan/ing áll day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upón me dáy änd night; \*  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat / of súmer.
- 5 Then I acknówledged my sín tö you, \*  
and did not / concéal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to thë LORD." \*  
Then you forgave me the guilt / of mý sin.



- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in  
time of tröuble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall / not réach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;  
you présérve me from tröuble; \*  
you surround me with shouts of / delíverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the wáy that you shóüld go; \*  
I will guide / you wíth my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which háve no undérstánding; \*  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will / not stáy near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations óf the wícked; \*  
but mercy embraces those who trust / in thé LORD.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejóice in thé LORD; \*  
shout for joy, all who / are true of heart. [Ant.]



Hap - py are they to whom the LORD im - putes no guilt.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Tract: *Qui confidunt*

Tone II

*Qui confidunt in Domino  
sicut mons Sion,  
non commovebitur  
in aeternum.  
Qui habitat in Jerusalem,  
montes in circuitu eius  
et Dominus in circuitu populi eius  
ex hoc nunc et usque in saeculum.*

Those who trust in the Lord  
are like Mount Zion,  
which cannot be moved,  
but stands fast for ever.  
Those who live in Jerusalem,  
the hills stand round about;  
and the Lord stands round about his people,  
from this time forth and for evermore.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Sermon

Father Paul Allick

We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the Al - might - y, ma - ker of  
 hea - ven and earth, of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be - lieve  
 in one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, e - ter - nal - ly  
 be - got - ten of the Fa - ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God  
 from true God, be - got - ten, not made, of one Be - ing with the Fa - ther.  
 Through him all things were made. For us and for our sal - va - tion  
 he came down from hea - ven: \* by the pow - er of the Ho - ly Spi - rit  
 he be - came in - car - nate from the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and was made man. \*  
 For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late;  
 he suf - fered death and was bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain  
 in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he a - scend - ed in - to hea - ven

\* *Genuflect at the Incarnatus, St. John 1:14.*

and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will come a -  
gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the dead, and his king - dom  
will have no end. We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the Lord,  
the giv - er of life, who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son.  
With the Fa - ther and the Son he is wor - shiped and glo - ri - fied.  
He has spo - ken through the Pro - phets. We be - lieve in one ho - ly  
cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church. We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism  
for the for - give - ness of sins. We look for the re - sur - rec - tion of the dead,  
and the life <sup>+</sup> of the world to come. A - - - - - men.

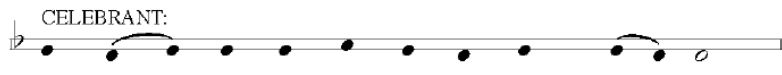
Prayers of the People: Prayers for the whole state of Christ's Church  
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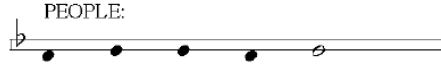
Concluding Collect



The Peace

Prayer Book, p. 36

CELEBRANT:  
  
The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you:

PEOPLE:  
  
And al - so with you.

Welcome

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem *Like as the hart*

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks:  
so longeth my soul after thee, O God.  
My soul is athirst for God,  
yea, even for the living God:  
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?  
My tears have been my meat day and night:  
while they daily say unto me,  
“Where is now thy God?”

Hymn 624 *Jerusalem the golden*

Ewing

<i>Laudate Dominum, quia benignus est;</i>	Sing praises to the Lord, who is loving;
<i>Psallite nomini eius, quoniam suavis est.</i>	Sing praises to his Name, for he is gracious.
<i>Omnia quaecumque voluit, fecit;</i>	Everything that he resolved to do;
<i>in caelo et in terra.</i>	that he did in heaven and on the earth.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant Pray, brothers and sisters that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of His Name, both to our benefit and that of all His Holy Church.

Sursum corda

Prayer Book, p. 361

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are as follows:

- Staff 1:** Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And al - so with you.
- Staff 2:** Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them to the Lord.
- Staff 3:** Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- Staff 4:** People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Merbecke

CANTOR CONGREGATION

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Hosts, heav'n and  
earth are full of thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bles - sed is he that co - meth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Canon of the Mass (Prayer B)

Prayer Book, p. 367

Memorial Acclamation

Prayer Book, p. 368

CELEBRANT

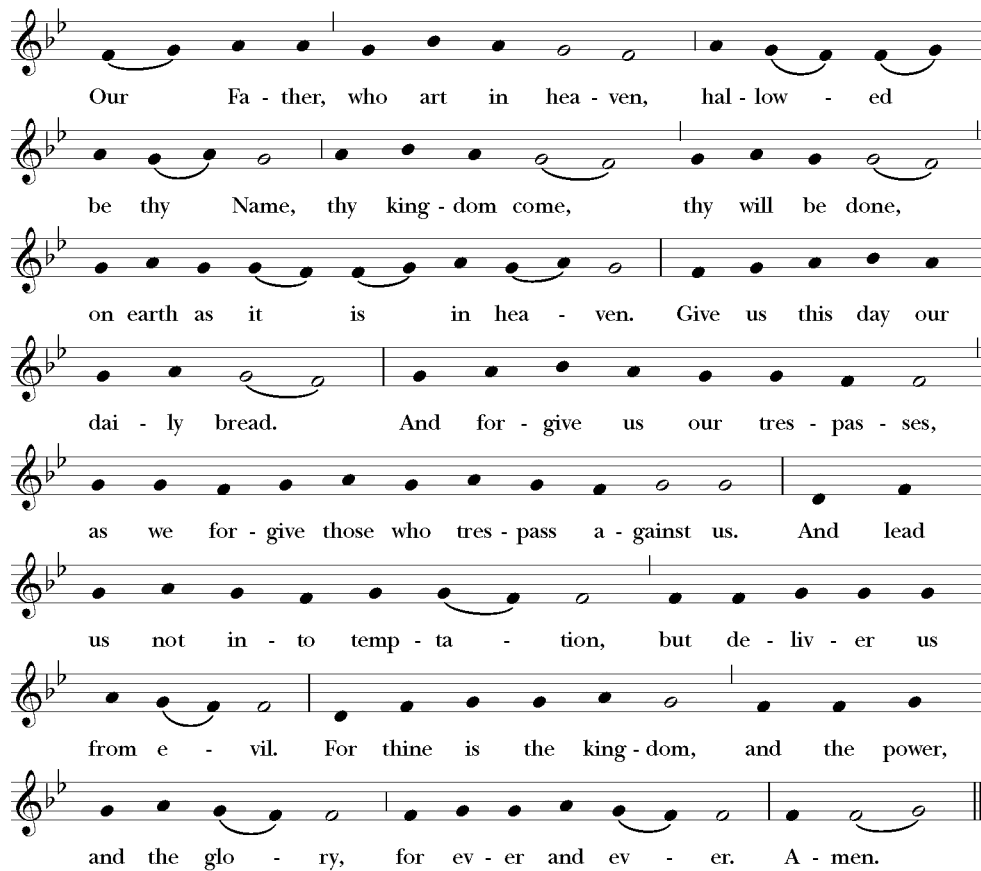
There - fore ac - cord - ing to his com - mand O Fa - ther:

PEOPLE

We re - mem - ber his death, we pro - claim his re - sur - rec - tion,  
We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Lord's Prayer

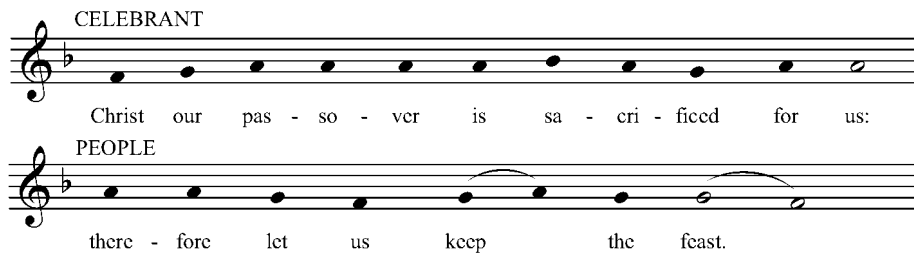
Plainsong, arr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Pascha nostrum

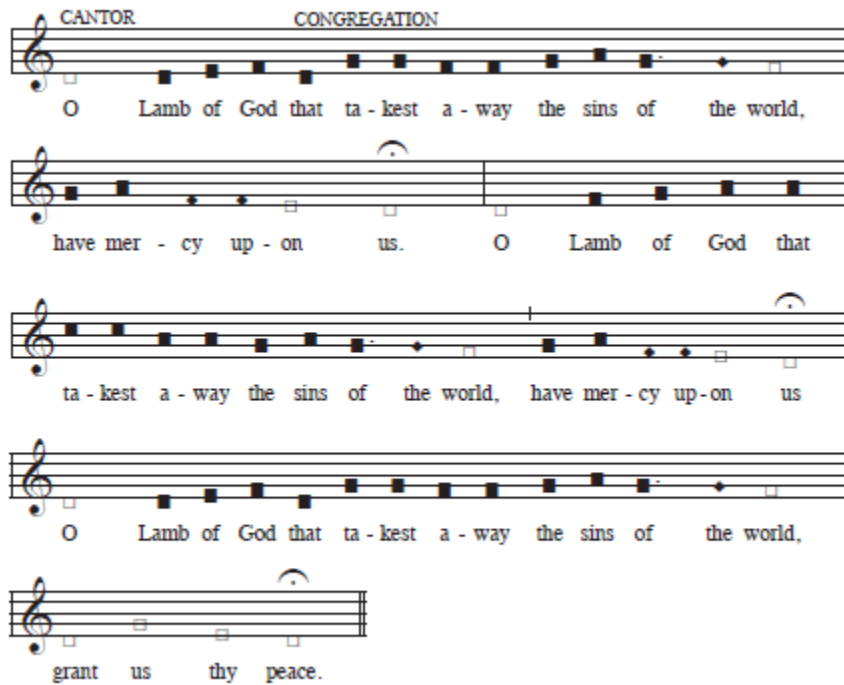
Plainsong



CELEBRANT  
Christ our pas - so - ver is sa - cri - ficed for us:  
PEOPLE  
there - fore let us keep the feast.

## Agnus Dei

Merbecke



CANTOR CONGREGATION

O Lamb of God that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world,  
have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God that  
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us  
O Lamb of God that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

## The Communion of the People

Celebrant Behold, the Lamb of God + who takes away the sins of the world.

People Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof,  
but only speak the word, and my soul shall be healed.

***We believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the consecrated bread and wine. All persons baptized with water in the name of the Trinity are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Those not receiving the Sacrament may come to the altar rail to receive a blessing, with arms crossed over their chest. Communion in one kind is complete. Those who do not wish to share the common cup should cross their arms over their chest. Receiving by intinction is not permitted.***

Communion Motet *Super flumina*

G. P. da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

*Super flumina Babylonis,  
illic sedimus et flevimus,  
dum recordaremur tui, Sion:  
in salicibus in medio eius  
suspendimus organa nostra.*

By the waters of Babylon,  
we sat down and wept,  
when we remembered you, O Zion:  
on the willow trees which grow in their midst  
did we hang our harps.

Communion Antiphon *Ierusalem*

Mode IV

*Ierusalem, quae aedificatur ut civitas,  
cuius participatio eius in idipsum:  
illuc enim ascenderunt tribus, tribus Domini,  
ad confitendum nomini tuo, Domine.*

Jerusalem, which is established as a city  
whose sections are bound firmly together with themselves.  
For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord,  
to give thanks unto your Name, O Lord.

**Hymn 620** *Jerusalem, my happy home*  
(kneeling, as able)

Land of Rest

THE CLOSING RITE

Postcommunion Thanksgiving

Prayer Book, p. 366

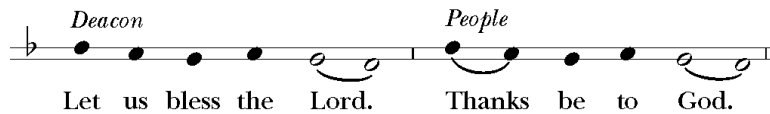
Postcommunion Collect

Solemn Prayer over the People

The Blessing +

Dismissal

Prayer Book, p. 366



**Hymn 693** *Just as I am*

Woodworth

*Prelude in E Minor, S. 548*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Celebrant	Fr. John Porter
Preacher	Fr. Paul Allick
Deacon	Deacon Rebekah Hays Estera
Sub-Deacon	Lër Nelson
MC	Viliani Dauwe
Crucifer	John Ferrannini
Thurifer	Aaron Conner
Acolyte I	William Bonnell
Acolyte II	John Tennant
Lector	John McCutchen
Intercessor	Deacon
Schola Adventus	David Alban, Jennifer Ashworth, Lauren Carley, James Monios
Director of Music	Paul Ellison
Usher	John McCutchen

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## **ANNIVERSARY NOTICES**

### **Anniversaries in March**

- 30: Suellen Thompson (baptism)
- 30: Marques Ng (birthday)
- 31: Ro Morsby (baptism & confirmation)

### **Anniversaries in April**

- 1: Ron Eaton (baptism)
- 5: Duff Axsom (birthday)
- 5: John Tennant (baptism)
- 8: Robert Gee (birthday)
- 8: John McCutchen (birthday)
- 9: Lee Ryan (confirmation)
- 13: John Klopacz (reception)



## Anniversaries in April

- 18: Michael Stroup (reception)
- 20: Micah Kim (birthday)
- 24: Jude Morton (confirmation)
- 26: Ricardo Avila+ (reception)
- 26: Jennifer Usher (confirmation)
- 26: Pamela Vaughn (confirmation)
- 30: Paul Ellison (baptism)

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