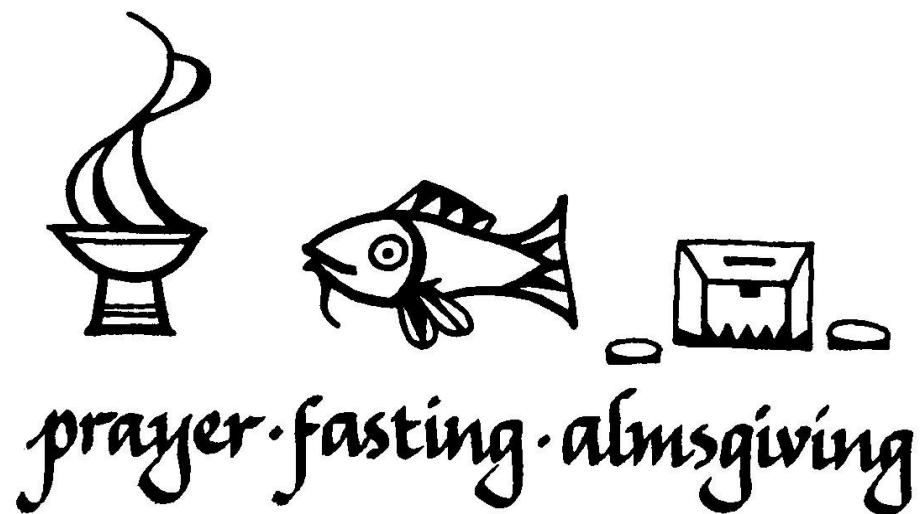


*Welcome to*

# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

*Committed to living a faith journey that is  
sacred, intentional, compassionate and inclusive*



## The First Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2026 ☩ 9:30 a.m.

The Rev. Betsy McElroy, Rector  
Worship: Sundays 9:30 a.m.  
Church Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday  
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# Welcome to the Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist!

This bulletin will guide you through the liturgy (worship service). The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), *Enriching Our Worship* and *The Hymnal 1982* are used throughout this service.

We are a school for transformation, as we seek to become a more diverse community of people, a kaleidoscope of different life styles, ages, ethnic and religious backgrounds, sexual orientations, financial circumstances and more. We invite all who seek God and wish to explore being part of a Christian congregation to our table and into our fellowship. We welcome those seeking a safe place for the expression of personal spiritual practices, ideas, politics, questions, doubts -- and faith. We also confess that as a community we are not perfected in love. However we seek to become more fully loving and to accept all who wish to join this journey.

St. John's wishes to acknowledge and honor the Yokut and Miwok people[s] upon whose ancestral homelands we gather, as well as the resilience and strength of all our indigenous siblings around the world.

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**Today's Sanctuary Light is given to the glory of God by:**

Carol Bower Foote in celebration of Richard Park Bower's birthday

John Nieman in loving memory of Fran Nieman in honor of our wedding anniversary,  
Feb. 27, 1978

*If you would like to donate for the Lent Sanctuary Light, please contact the church office at 369-3381.*

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## *Those Who Serve Today*

*Celebrant/Preacher:* The Rev. Betsy McElroy (B)

*Deacon:* The Rev. Deacon Greg Maszta

*Choir Director:* Steven Weikle

*Pianist/Organist:* Michael Tompkins

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Margaret Meyers (CW) & TBA (CJ)

*Lectors:* Rosemary Cress & Margaret Meyers

*Camera Acolyte:* Fran Bott

*Crucifer:* Beth Elwood (CW)

*Ushers:* Debby Weberski & Dani Wilson

*Sound:* Dick Williams

*Altar Guild:* Peggy Moos & Aleathea Langone

*Vestry Open/Close (Announcements):* Rosemary Cress/Bob Gorczyca

*Designer Guild:* None

*Nursery Care:* None until further notice

*Sunday School:* Janie Williams & Peggy Moos

*Coffee Hour:* Margaret Meyers

*Counters:* Sharon Farnsworth & TBA

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Welcome

## Children Process to Sunday School

*Enter In Silence*

### **The Great Litany** *Kneel or stand as able.*

The Rev. Betsy McElroy

I.

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,

*Have mercy on us.*

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

*Have mercy on us.*

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

*Have mercy on us.*

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,

*Have mercy on us.*

II.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,

*Savior deliver us.*

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,

*Savior deliver us.*

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,

*Savior deliver us.*

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,

*Savior deliver us.*

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment,

*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.*

III.  
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.*

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons especially Betsy, our priest, and Greg, our deacon, 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.*

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

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

Give your wisdom and strength to Donald Trump, the President of the United States, Gavin Newsom, the Governor of California, and Ramon Yapiz, the Mayor of Lodi, 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.*

Bless and keep all your people,  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

V.  
Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit especially those from our St. John's prayer list, Bob Johnson, Patty Hermann & family, Hennie Van Konynenburg & Tom Hampson, John Ledbetter & family, Ruth Diekman, Sheryl McLord, Yvonne Mitchell, Marlene Loeth, Marilyn & Jack Cook, Greg Soligan, the Olds Family, Marta Rajas, Ken K., Marcille Dickinson, Ben and family, Josh B.& family, Alexander, Jim. Provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

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

Shower 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.*

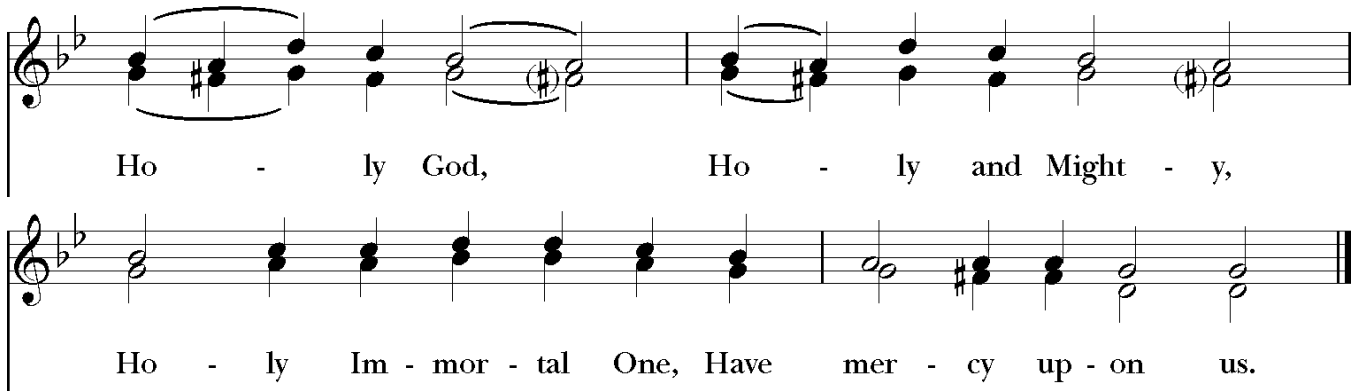
Hear us as we remember those who have died, especially Don Smith, and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.  
*Hear us, O Christ.*

VI.  
Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

*Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
Have mercy on us.*

## Trisagion *Stand as able.*

Hymnal S102



Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## A Reading from the Book of Genesis *All are seated*

Rosemary Cress

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. (*Genesis 2:15-17;3:1-7*)

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 32

Rosemary Cress

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \*  
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;

## A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Margaret Meyers

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation,

but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. (*Romans 5:12-19*)

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn

*Wilt thou forgive that sin*

Hymnal 140

## A Reading from the Holy Gospel of Matthew

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him. (*Matthew 4:1-11*)

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

The Rev. Betsy McElroy

*Silence*

**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:  
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 Peace

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* And also with you.

## Announcements

### A Prayer for Blessings *All together,*

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Offertory Sentence

## The Liturgy of the Table

**Offertory Anthem** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* Kenneth Kosche

**The Doxology** *Praise to God (vs. 3 only)* Hymnal 380

**The Great Thanksgiving**, Eucharistic Prayer A (*Standing*) Hymnal S120

*Celebrant* *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* *People*  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*  
It is right to give him 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.

*Proper Preface of the Season/Chosen by Celebrant*

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** (*Celebrant and People*)

*Holy, holy, holy Lord*

Hymnal S130

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

*Celebrant*

There - fore we pro - claim the mys - ter - y of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

A - MEN.

## The Lord's Prayer *(traditional)*

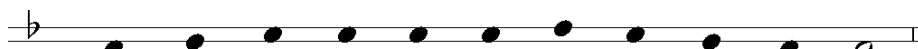
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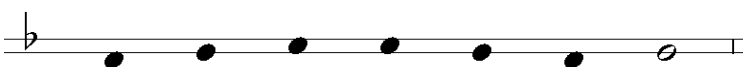
*Celebrant:* And now as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All:** 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

Hymnal S153

*Celebrant:*  Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

*People:*  There - fore let us keep the feast.

## Fraction Hymn

*Jesus, Lamb of God*

Hymnal S 164

*Celebrant:* 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.

## Communion of the People

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please place hands crossed over your heart if you wish to receive communion in one kind, or a blessing.*

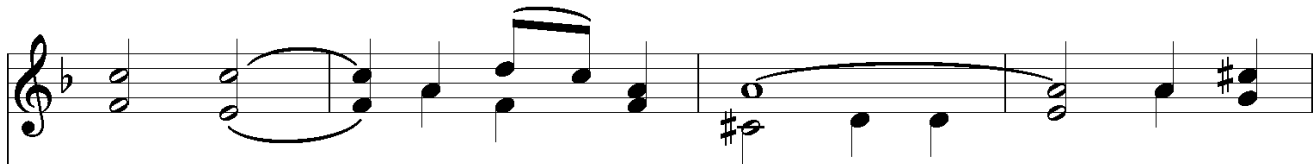
# Communion Hymn

*I want Jesus to Walk with me*

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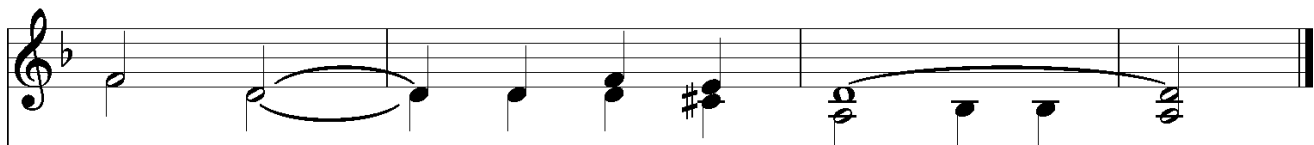
1. I want Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me); I want  
2. In my tri - als, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my  
3. In my sor - rows, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my



1. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk \_\_\_\_\_ with me (walk with me); All a -  
2. tri - als, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk \_\_\_\_\_ with me (walk with me); When the  
3. sor - rows, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk \_\_\_\_\_ with me (walk with me); When my



1. long my \_\_\_\_\_ pil - grim jour - ney, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want  
2. shades of \_\_\_\_\_ life \_\_\_\_\_ are fall - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want  
3. heart with - in \_\_\_\_\_ is ach - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want



1. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me).  
2. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me).  
3. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me).

*Eat this bread*

Taize I



Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun-gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

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## **Sending Eucharistic Visitors** *All together*

**In the name of St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## **Postcommunion Prayer** *(standing)*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **Prayer Over The People**

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*Celebrant:* Bow down before the Lord.

*Celebrant continues,*

**Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

## **Recessional Hymn**

*I love, how deep, how broad, how high*

Hymnal 448

## **The Dismissal**

**Deacon:** Go in peace to prepare for the Pascal Feast

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **Postlude**

*Forty Days and Forty Nights*

by Anna Laura Page

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### Upcoming Calendar

#### **Sunday, February 22 - Lent I**

9:30 am, Holy Eucharist, Church

11:00 am, Ector Oliveras Speaking, Hosted by Creation Care

#### **Tuesday, February 24**

10:00 am, Staff Meeting, Church

4:15 pm, Salvation Army Dinner Service, Hope Harbor

#### **Wednesday, February 25**

12:00 noon, Noon-Day Prayer, Historical Chapel

5:15 pm, Soup Supper, Narthex

6:00 pm, Lenten Study\*, Hospitality Room or Narthex

7:00 pm, Choir Rehearsal, Church

#### **Thursday, February 26**

6:00 pm, Compline Prayer Service, Zoom

#### **Friday, February 27**

5:30 pm, Soul Kitchen Dinner, Narthex

#### **Saturday, February 28**

2:00 pm, Bishop David and Tracy's Farewell in Fresno

#### **Sunday, March 1 - Lent II**

9:30 am, Holy Eucharist, Church

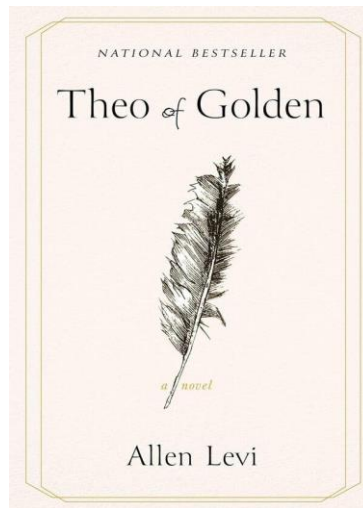
**Creation Care News** – Join us on Today Sunday, February 22 after church when Creation Care will host a presentation by Ector Olivares. Ector serves with Catholic Charities in Stockton, leading the Environmental Justice program for the Stockton Diocese. He will share pertinent information concerning environmental risks in our own Lodi community.

**Join us every Wednesday at 12 Noon for Noon-Day Prayer in the Chapel.**

**Compline Prayer Thursdays @ 6:00 pm:** Here's the link for the **Thursday, 6:00 PM, Compline service.** Topic: Compline Time: 6:00 PM Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82473384767?pwd=7xJY6MbaOLFjrnlnNWm41nZPDJIT87T.1>  
Meeting ID: 824 7338 4767 Passcode: 168908

## Wednesday Lenten Book Study

**Theo of Golden**  
*By Allen Levi*



This Lent, we will travel with Theo, a mysterious stranger who arrives in the fictional southern city of Golden. After visiting a coffee shop with portraits on the wall, he embarks on a mission to find and gift them to the rightful owners.

As we work our way through this beautifully crafted story, we will explore the Lenten themes of attention (seeing and being seen), generosity, compassion, transformation and hope shaped by pain, and resurrection and new life.

**Soup dinner begins at 5:15. The book study will be from 6-7.**

### Sessions

February 25: Prologue and Chapters 1-12

March 4: Chapters 13-28

March 11: Chapters 29-42

March 18: Chapters 43-54

March 25: Chapters 55-Epilogue

We have a few copies still available in the office for purchase (\$15).

They may also be found online and in bookstores.

Soup for the Soul - Tuesday, March 3 at 5:00 pm - Soup for the Soul is a group of fellow parishioners who have had a loss in their life. If you are feeling the need to talk with people who are navigating grief, please join us for a simple meal of soup. See the sign-up sheet on the ministry table for details, or contact Penny in the Office if you have questions, 209-369-3381.

# MEN'S BARBEQUE

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



*WE INVITE THE WOMEN OF ST. JOHN'S TO  
JOIN THE MEN ON:*

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026  
AT 5:00 PM**

**LET US DO THE COOKING.**

*RSVP BY:*

*SIGNING UP AT THE MINISTRY TABLE OR  
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 209-369-3381*

## Holy Week - March 29 - April 5, 2026

**Sunday, March 29**

9:30 am

**Palm & Passion Sunday**

Procession & Passion Reading

**Wednesday, April 1**

12:00 Noon

**Noon-Day Prayer**

Historic Chapel

**Thursday, April 2**

6:00 pm

7:00 pm to Midnight

**Maundy Thursday Foot washing**

Eucharist, Stripping of Altar

Garden of Gethsemane Watch

**Friday, April 3**

12 Noon

**Good Friday**

Passion & Prayers

**Saturday, April 4**

7:00 pm

**Easter Vigil**

Historic Chapel & Church

**Sunday, April 5**

9:30 am

**Easter Sunday**

Holy Eucharist, Reception & Children's Egg Hunt

**Eggs & Toys Needed for Easter Egg Hunt on April 5** - Our annual Easter Egg Hunt for elementary school age children and younger will be held on the West lawn after the 9:30 am service on Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. The office would appreciate donations of plastic eggs, small toys and wrapped candy for the hunt. Thank you!

**More Easter Help Needed** - We are in need of 2 to 3 people to oversee, set up and run the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 5. Please let Penny in the office know if you are interested in this fun job.

**Garden of Gethsemane Watch Thursday, April 7 from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m.** - After the Maundy Thursday Eucharist, the church will be open all night for prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane created by the Designer Guild in the narthex. People are invited to sign up to pray one hour, reminiscent of Jesus' invitation to "watch and pray."

**Special Music & Flowers at Easter** - Our Easter liturgies are adorned with memorial flowers and special guest musicians. If you remembered loved ones and blessings last year at this time and would like to repeat your memorial message, please initial the list on the ministry table and put your donation of \$25 or more in the plate during the offering. See Ministry Table for details.



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## **2026 Vestry Members**

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