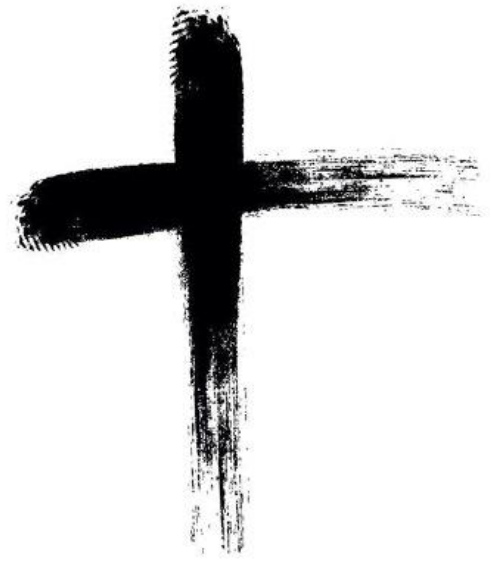


# THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, March 19, 2023

Holy Eucharist Rite I – 8:00 am  
Holy Eucharist Rite II – 10:30 am

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church  
Hillsborough, NC



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## HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I – 8:00 am

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### THE SALUTATION

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

THE DECALOGUE *Kneeling as you are able*

BCP, 317

THE CONFESSION

BCP, 320

THE KYRIE

BCP, 324

+THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, 167

#### THE LESSONS

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm

23; BCP, 612

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

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

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

+Gospel

John 9:1-41

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

+THE NICENE CREED

BCP, 326

## +THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. *A brief silence.*

Eternal God, you seal us by the Holy Spirit and mark us forever with the cross of Christ in baptism. Bestow your grace on those preparing for baptism during this holy season. Illuminating God, *receive our prayer.*

Creating God, by your word you have made all things, and you hate nothing you have made. Teach us to perceive the beauty of your creation, from the grandest mountain range to the smallest springtime bud. Illuminating God, *receive our prayer.*

Powerful God, guide the work of heads of state and elected officials, especially Jenn, our mayor, and Roy, our governor. Encourage them to lead with justice and to remove barriers that impede the well-being of all. Illuminating God, *receive our prayer.*

Shepherding God, you lead us beside still waters and restore our souls. Keep watch over those who weep; tend all who are sick and comfort those who grieve. Illuminating God, *receive our prayer.*

God our host, you fill us at your table with more than we could ever ask. Feed those who hunger. Equip the feeding ministries of this congregation and community, especially OCIM and Porch. Illuminating God, *receive our prayer.*

In this parish, pray for the repose of the soul of Sy Blessing and Dwayne Huebner, and ask for comfort for their friends and family, especially Dwayne's wife, Ellen. We also pray together for *Mildred, Lois, Tom, Molly, Jim, Ann, Daisy, Champe, Andy & Barrie, Carol, Kathy, Sandy, Hunter, Meyrick & Jennifer, Jamie, Ken & Sharon, Bob & Karen, John, Sheila, the family of Elise Heyda, Bill & Suzanne, Carl & Janet, Alex, Tom, Kenan, and Jim.* I invite your personal prayers, either silently or aloud. *Brief pause.* Illuminating God, *receive our prayer.*

God of history, with thanksgiving we remember our ancestors in faith who cared for your people, especially St. Matthew. We praise you for the ways they formed the faith of others and continue to inspire us. Illuminating God, *receive our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a closing Collect.*

## +THE PEACE

BCP, 332

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

## +THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP, 340

Sanctus BCP, 341  
The Lord's Prayer BCP, 336  
The Breaking of the Bread BCP, 337  
Agnus Dei BCP, 337  
Prayer of Humble Access BCP, 337

## +POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, 339

## BLESSING & DISMISSAL

BCP, 339

# HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II – 10:30 am

**LITURGICAL NOTE** *The Fourth Sunday of Lent is often referred to as Laetare or Rose Sunday. It is similar to Gaudete Sunday in Advent. The term is derived from the opening words of the Latin Mass, “Rejoice (Laetare) Jerusalem” (Is 66:10). The church is called to joyful anticipation of the victory to be won. This joyful theme provides a glimmer of hope in the midst of the penitential season of Lent. In some parishes, rose-colored vestments, which express the change of tone in the Lenten observance, may be worn by the clergy. In other places, pink roses adorn the altar.*

## VOLUNTARY

*Schmücke dich; Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### +THE SALUTATION

BCP, 351

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* ***His mercy endures for ever.***

### THE DECALOGUE *Kneeling as you are able*

BCP, 350

### THE CONFESSION

BCP, 352

### THE KYRIE

*Cantor or Choir*      *All*      *Cantor or Choir*

Lord, have mer - cy.    Lord, have mer - cy.    Christ, have mer - cy.

*All*      *Cantor or Choir*      *All*

Christ, have mer - cy.    Lord, have mer - cy.    Lord, have mer - cy.

### +THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, 218

### THE LESSONS

Old Testament Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm

23, *Dominus regit me*; Hymnal, No. 663

New Testament Lesson

### +Gospel Acclamation

*The congregation & choir sing the acclamation twice; a cantor or choir sings the verse.*

Glo - ry and praise to you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

Verse: *Jesus says “I am the [light of] the world; Whoever follows me will have the [light] of life.”*

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

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

**+GOSPEL**

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**THE SERMON**

**+THE NICENE CREED**

BCP, 358

**+THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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**+THE PEACE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*My eyes for beauty pine; Herbert Howells (1892-1983)*

*My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddes grace: No other care nor hope is mine, To heaven I turn my face. One splendour thence is shed From all the stars above: 'Tis named when God's name is said, 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love. And every gentle heart, That burns with true desire, Is lit from eyes that mirror part Of that celestial fire.*

**+PRESENTATION HYMN**

Hymnal, No. 493, Vss. 1, 3, 5, 6

**+THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer A)**

BCP, 361

Sanctus

Hymnal S-124

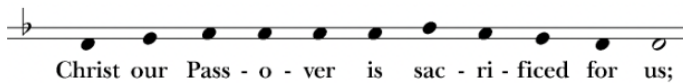
The Lord's Prayer

BCP, 364

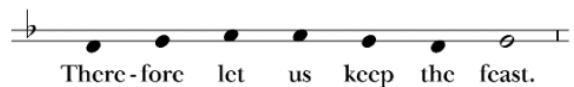
The Fraction

Hymnal, S-153

*Cantor*



*Choir and Congregation*



Agnus Dei

Hymnal, S-161

Communion Hymn

Hymnal, Nos. 339 & 671

**+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

BCP, 365

**+THE BLESSING**

**+HYMN IN PROCESSION**

Hymnal, No. 488

**+THE DISMISSAL**

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

*The Retiring Voluntary is not offered during Lent; please exit the church quietly.*

### Serving this Sunday - 8:00 AM

*Celebrant:* The Rev. Robert Fruehwirth  
*Preacher:* The Rev. Robert Fruehwirth  
*Verger:* James Emmanuel Jr.  
*Lay Eucharistic Minister:* Carolyn Carlson  
*Lector:* Dorothy Wood

*Ushers:* Frank Casadonte & Eileen Camp  
*Altar Guild:* Gretchen Schwanke, Glenn Sumner,  
Mary Parker, Jim & Kathy von St. Paul  
*Coffee Hour:* Michael Wood

### Serving in the Liturgy this Sunday - 10:30 AM

*Celebrant:* The Rev. Lisa Frost-Phillips  
*Preacher:* The Rev. Robert Fruehwirth  
*Lay Eucharistic Minister:* Mary Rocap  
*Verger:* Bob Shelton  
*Acolytes:* Ada Catherine Hays,  
Leo Moehring  
*Lectors:* Margaret Brill,  
Heather Williams

*Musicians:* Dr. Jason A. Wright, *organ*;  
The Parish Choir  
*Ushers:* Paul Enquist & Camille Izlar  
*Altar Guild:* Gretchen Schwanke, Glenn Sumner,  
Mary Parker, Jim & Kathy von St. Paul  
*Nursery Assts:* Will & Taylor Perschau  
*Coffee Hour:* Sam & Maria Costello  
*Video/Zoom:* Sonja Tilley

### *Feeding God's people from the abundance of God's grace*

Welcome to St. Matthew's. We hope you will be nourished, welcomed, and sustained while you are here. We strive to make St. Matthew's a place of hospitality, peace, and renewal, where people can come to be fed through worship and the sacraments; through the care and compassion of our members; through our welcome of the stranger in our midst; through our service to the larger community of Hillsborough and the world. We invite you to be part of the feast.

All baptized persons, of all ages and from any tradition, are welcome to come forward for communion. Those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the clergy. Simply cross your arms across your chest to indicate this. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this by holding out your hands with palms facing down.

## TODAY

### Education Hour at 9:15 a.m.

- **Sunday Forum** (Education Building) **We, Redeemed 4:** Having touched into two more difficult aspects of our parish's involvement in slavery, and see how people killed off compassion from their hearts, and the Gospel got narrowed to a shrill concern about other-worldly salvation, we are now going to wonder how grace can take these wrongs and open us to entirely new vistas for being Christian today. This is the "resurrection bit" of the Lent Program. Attend in person or online on the Zoom Meeting Channel (<https://tinyurl.com/smh-meeting>). Videos of the Forum will be available on our Lent Program YouTube playlist: <https://tinyurl.com/smhlent23>. Wednesday night discussions 5:30-6:30pm Zoom Meeting Channel.
- **Godly Play:** K- 2nd graders (Godly Play Room. Education Building)
- **Growing in Christ:** 3rd-5th graders (Growing in Christ Room, Education Building)

**Coffee Hour** - Following worship, all are invited to the Fellowship Hall to share a cup of coffee and a time of fellowship.

**Nursery Care for children 5 and under** is provided from 7:55-11:45 am in the Nursery on the top floor of the Hayden Building.

**Moms' Coffee Meetup: Church Courtyard, Today at 10:15 am** - Calling all Moms! We will gather in the church courtyard to walk over to Kim's Bakeshop together. You are more than welcome to use the nursery for childcare at this time. If you have a newborn/infant that you'd prefer to bring along, they are more than welcome! Mothers at any stage of motherhood are welcome. We hope this will be a nourishing space for all who wish to attend.

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Children's Music Program:** All children are invited to join us from **9:00-9:15 am in the Education Building** for our Children's Music Program each Sunday in Lent. Dr. Jason will be leading our children in learning the Introit for our Palm Sunday service. We look forward to welcoming you!

**Choral Evensong and Organ Recital: Sunday, March 26 at 400 pm** - Our recitalist is A.J. Lyons from UNC-Greensboro. Our guest officiant and homolist will be Chase Matthew Benefiel, a senior at Duke Divinity School in the Anglican Episcopal House of Study (AEHS). Choral Evensong is sung by The Parish Choir.

**We, Redeemed Weekday Gathering: Wednesday, March 22 at 5:30-6:30 pm on the Zoom Meeting channel** - Join us online for a discussion of the Lent program and *Hidden Wound* by Wendell Berry. For more information, contact Robert Fruehwirth+ ([rector@stmatthewshillsborough.org](mailto:rector@stmatthewshillsborough.org)).

**Book Launch: Friday, March 31, 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary** - St. Matthew's and Purple Crow Books are honored to welcome the Rev. Dr. Dewey Williams, pastor of Mt. Bright Baptist Church, reading from his newly released book, *Finding Joy on Death Row, Unexpected Lessons from Lives We Discarded*. This award winning sermon series "reveals the power joy has to reach us all, the free and the imprisoned alike" and shares the transformative experience of moving from brokenness to joy. Copies of *Finding Joy on Death Row* are available at Purple Crow Books. There are also a few copies available for check-out in the Graebner room.

**Habitat for Humanity: New Project Underway** - We have joined with other faith communities in Hillsborough to build a home at 317 Odie Street. The upcoming build dates are **March 25, April 1 and 15** with more planned. If you'd like to help out, please visit [orangehabitat.volunteerhub.com](http://orangehabitat.volunteerhub.com) or contact Charlie McCamy ([charlesmccamy@gmail.com](mailto:charlesmccamy@gmail.com)).

**Social Ministries Funding Requests: Deadline is March 31** - St. Matthew's Social Ministries committee is meeting in April to review local funding requests and distribute FeST and Vestry 2023 monies. This funding comes directly from this parish's hard work and generosity, to be shared with groups making a positive impact in our own beloved community. If there is a group you feel needs our support, please send details by March 31 to Ellen McRae; [mcrake@aol.com](mailto:mcrake@aol.com). And thank you again for making FeST such a wonderful success in December!

**Beef Stew for Orange Congregations in Mission:** For a number of years, St. Matthew's has collected beef stew for OCIM, with a goal of donating 175 cans monthly. We need 67 more cans to meet our March goal. You can leave donations in the grocery cart in the Fellowship Hall1. If the Fellowship Hall is locked, please put them in the basket in the Parish House. For more information, contact Carolyn Parsley.

**Please note** that from **Thursday, March 23 through Sunday, March 28**, Robert+, Lisa+, Sonja and others from the parish will be on pilgrimage to Selma and Montgomery, Alabama as part of our Lenten journey focusing on racial justice and reconciliation. There will be someone in the office Thursday during the office hours and we will be checking phone messages remotely. In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the church office and leave a message. We are monitoring the messages and will be in touch.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

*Unless otherwise noted, all services will be livestreamed on the Worship channel.*

### Sunday, April 2 - *Palm Sunday*

- 8:00 am Palm Liturgy and Passion Gospel
- 9:15 am Palm weaving for all ages (*not livestreamed*)
- 10:30 am\* Palm Liturgy and Passion Gospel

### Wednesday, April 5

- 12 Noon Holy Eucharist with Meditation

### Thursday, April 6 - *Maundy Thursday*

- 6:00 pm Meal with Maundy Thursday Liturgy and Stripping of the Altar (*not livestreamed*)

### Friday, April 7 - *Good Friday*

- 12 Noon Good Friday Liturgy with Passion Gospel and Veneration of the Cross

### Saturday, April 8 - *Holy Saturday*

- 10:00 am Holy Saturday Office in the Memorial Garden
- 8:00 pm\* The Great Vigil and First Celebration of Easter; the Rt. Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson presiding with confirmations and receptions of new members.

### Sunday, April 9 - *Easter Day*

- 9:00 am Festal Eucharist, Rite II, with music
- 10:00 am Family Easter Egg Hunt
- 11:00 am Festal Eucharist, Rite II, with music

*\*These services begin outside (weather permitting) so the livestream will begin approximately 15 minutes after the start of the service.*

## **ST. MATTHEW'S PRAYER LIST AND SCHEDULE**

We invite you to pray each day for all who are sick or in any need as well as those who have special thanksgivings to offer. Please also pray for any events that are happening that day. Please contact Sonja Tilley to add or remove a name from the prayer list. Names will rotate weekly, and will rotate off automatically after seven weeks unless someone requests otherwise.

### **Monday (3/20) *Will Griffin, Mildred Pruessing, Suzanne Powers, Jim von St. Paul, Ellen Davis & the family of Dwayne Huebner, Sy Blessing, Kenan Wright***

- Archives (Cooke-Lawrence Room); 10:00 am
- Education for Ministry (Formation channel); 6:30 pm
- Daughters of the King (Cooke-Lawrence Room); 5:00 pm
- Compline (Worship channel); 8:30pm

### **Tuesday (3/21) *Hunter Taylor, Melanie Maupin, Molly Zaragoza, Jim Fesperman, Ann Burdette, Daisy Huffman, Bob Ireland, Alex Zychowicz & family, Tom Dyne***

- Morning Silence (Worship channel); 7:30 am
- Staff Luncheon (Graebner Room); 1:00 pm
- Vestry (Cooke-Lawrence Room); 6:00 pm
- Compline (Worship channel); 8:30pm

**Wednesday (3/22)** *Ken Billings, Abbey Carlson, Emma Carlson, Lois Horn, Tom Vail, Jamie Huntington Meath, Carl & Janet Edwards, Thayer & Tammy Jordan, Vicki*

- Morning Prayer (Worship channel); 8:00 am
- Holy Eucharist (Church); 12 noon
- We, Redeemed (Meeting channel); 5:30 pm
- Parish Choir; 6:30 pm
- Compline (Worship channel); 8:30pm

**Thursday (3/23)** *Ann Banes, Benny Whitted, Tom Roberts, The Tucker and Spurlock families, Victor & Gracie, Carol Parrent, Kathy Coward,*

- Montgomery & Selma, Alabama Pilgrims depart (Lower parking lot); 7:00 am
- Compline (Worship channel); 8:30pm

**Friday, (3/24)** *Bill Powers, Savannah Fonvielle, Champe Davis, Andy & Barrie Wallace, Betsy Zaragoza*

- Morning Prayer (Worship channel); 8:00 am
- Education for Mission Bible Study (Formation channel); 10:00 am
- Compline (Worship channel); 8:30 pm

**Saturday, (3/25)** *the family of Nancy Sarazen, Marie Bass, William, Sandy McBride, Harry Dula*

- Carter Heyward Workshop (Church of the Cross, Chapel Hill); 10:00 am

**Sunday, (3/26)** *Maddi Powers, Meyrick & Jennifer Peak, Knox Efland, Sheila Mikhail, Cemalnur Sargut*

- Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Church); 8:00 am
- Children's Choir (Education Building); 9:00 am
- Education Hour; 9:15 am
- Parish Choir (Church); 9:15 am
- Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music (Church & Worship channel); 10:30 am
- Choral Evensong & Organ Recital (Church); 4:00pm
- Youth Group (Youth Room); 5:00 pm
- Montgomery & Selma, Alabama Pilgrims return

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