

EASY PRINT – The Fifth Sunday in Lent – April 6, 2025

Welcome – *Fr. Daniel*

Please rise in body or spirit and sing

Processional Hymn: #384– “PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY” (V 1,2,3 & 6)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near, praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen how thy entreaties have been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again: gladly for aye we adore him.

✠ The Gathering of the Community

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

≡ The Penitential Rite

Please kneel or remain seated

Leader: Almighty God,

All: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: Blessed be God who forgives all our sins;

People: **whose mercy endures forever.**

Leader: Dear friends in Christ as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Leader: God of all mercy,

All: **we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves and in the world you have created. We turn from the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done. and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us, through our Saviour Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Kyrie

All sing



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

The Collect of the Day

Leader: Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Please be seated

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Isaiah 43.16-21

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm #126

Please remain seated

REFRAIN

The Cantor sings the refrain, all repeat

Surinder S. Mundra
December 8, 2009



The Lord has done great things for us, and we re - joice.

Verse: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. **REFRAIN**

Verse: Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them." The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoice. **REFRAIN**

Verse: Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourse in the Negeb. May those who sow in tears, reap with shouts of joy. **REFRAIN**

Verse: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. **REFRAIN**

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee, as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead. I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Philippians 3.4b-14

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Sequence Hymn: (Tune #528) – “SHE POURED THE PERFUME ON HIS FEET,”

(TEXT BY SURINDER MUNDRA)

The first two verses are sung before the Gospel.

She poured the perfume on His feet, a gift of love so pure;
The fragrance filled the room complete, a sign of love most sure.

But some, with hearts that hard did grow, did murmur and complain,
"Why waste such wealth? What good to show? While others live in pain?"

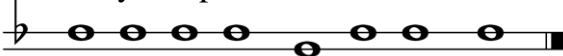
The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.

The Gospel

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

All: 

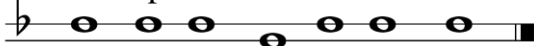
Glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair.

The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

John 12.1-8

All: 

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.

But Jesus, in His mercy sweet, rebuked their prideful tone:
"She hath done well, and in my feet her love is rightly shown."

O Lord, forgive us when we turn, to judge with hearts so cold;
May love and mercy ever burn, and welcome young and old.

Sermon

Please be seated

The Nicene Creed

Please rise in body or spirit

Leader: Let us confess our faith as we say,

All: **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.**

All: **We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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 & Lenten Prose

Please kneel or be seated

The Leader offers prayers for the church, the world, the sick and the suffering, and those who have died.

Cantor will sing the first verse and the congregation is asked to join in singing the rest of the Lenten Prose Verses.



Hear us, O Lord, have mer-cy up-on us: for we have sin-ned a - gainst thee.

Cantor: To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory, lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings; listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

All sing the refrain

Congregation: O thou chief corner-stone, Right Hand of the Father, Way of salvation, Gate of life celestial; cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

All sing the refrain

Congregation: God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated, bow down and hearken to thy weeping children; pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

All sing the refrain

Congregation: Sins oft committed now we lay before thee; with true contrition, now no more we veil them; grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

All sing the refrain

Congregation: Innocent captive, taken unresisting, falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced; save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer.

All sing the refrain

The Peace

Please rise in body or spirit

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The ministry of the church depends on the generosity of it's members.

We give in the thanksgiving for all that God has given us.

We welcome back the children from Sunday school..

Offertory Hymn: #354 – “COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING”

All sing

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious measure, sung by flaming tongues above;
O the vast, the boundless treasure of my God's unchanging love.

Here I make faith's affirmation: thus far by thy help I've come,
and I hope, by thy compassion, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
take my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

✠ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Priest: Eternal God, our only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen,**

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff is divided into two parts: the first part is labeled "Presider:" and the second part is labeled "People:". The lyrics for the first staff are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff has the lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff has the lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise."

Priest: Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Isaiah, Paul and Mary of Bethany, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory singing:

SANCTUS

All sing

John Merbecke
Surinder S. Mundra

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord— God of Hosts,
4 Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord:
7 Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Priest: And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

All: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Priest: Breathe your Holy Spirit the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our soul and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

All sing

Presider: _____, People: _____ Surinder S. Mundra

As our Sa-viour taught us let us pray. Our Fa-ther in Hea-ven,
 hal-owed be your name, Your king-dom come, Your will be done,
 on earth as in Hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins,
 as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial.
 and de-li-ver us from e-vil
 for the king-dom, and the pow-er and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-e-ver
 A - - - - - men.

Priest: We break this bread,
All: **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Priest: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.
All: **If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Priest: If you are worshipping with us from home, please join us in this act of Eucharist, by offering with me this prayer for Spiritual Communion:

The following is said by the Priest and those worshipping with us online.

Online: Holy One, in times of exile, you always remained close to your people, sustaining them in faith, by your Word and Spirit. Help me to feast on your Word, and uphold me by your Spirit, until I can again partake of your Body and Blood. I pray in Jesus' name.

People: **Amen.**

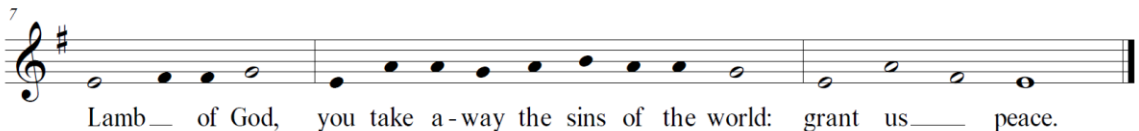
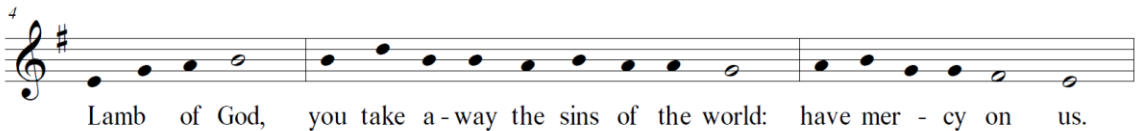
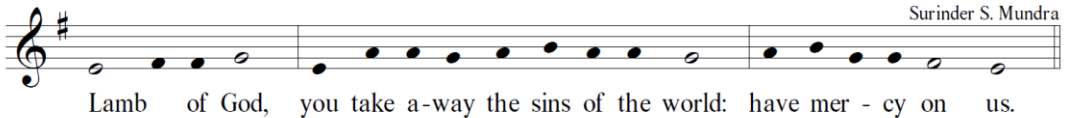
Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI

All sing

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The Communion

Those who have been baptized in any Christian church, including children, are welcome to receive communion. If you have not been baptized yet or do not wish to receive the bread and wine, you are welcome to come to the altar rail for a blessing. Simply cross your hands over your chest to alert the priest you wish to receive a blessing.

Communion Hymn: AAHH#686 – “LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER” *All sing*

Let us break bread together on our knees;

let us break bread together on our knees;

Refrain: When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;

let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

Let us praise God together on our knees;

let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

Communion Hymn: #48 – “LET ALL MORTAL FLESH”

All sing

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded, for, with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to us approacheth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,

Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood,

he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,

as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day,

that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye

veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,

"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Lord most high!"

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Father of All,

All: **we give you thanks and praise, that while we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Living, dying and rising again, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gates of glory. May we who share Christ's body, live his risen life. We who drink his cup, bring life to others. We whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn: #371 – “TO GOD BE THE GLORY” *Please rise in body or spirit & sing*

To God be the glory, who great things has done! God so loved the world, freely sending the Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear God's voice.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give God the glory, who great things has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God: that when the offender, repenting, believes, through Jesus' atonement, God's pardon receives. *Refrain:*

Great things God has taught us, great things God has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our gladness when Jesus we see! *Refrain:*

Dismissal

The “Alleluia” is omitted during the season of Lent.

Priest: Go and love greatly, as Jesus has greatly loved you.

People: **Thanks be to God.**