



HOLY EUCHARIST  
THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

*Lent 2024: Create in us a New Heart*

THE AMERICAN CATHEDRAL IN PARIS  
SUNDAY, MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2024  
11:00 A.M.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*The customary Organ Voluntary will be omitted.*

*All are invited to stand, as able, as the Procession enters the Cathedral.*

### A PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Celebrant* Blessed be the God of our salvation:

*People* **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

*All are invited to kneel, as able.*

### THE DECALOGUE

*The Celebrant says*

Hear the commandments of God to the people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

Honor your father and your mother.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

You shall not steal.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

You shall not be a false witness.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**Amen. God have mercy.**

*Celebrant*

Jesus said, “the first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.” *Mark 12:29-31*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

**God of all mercy, 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 repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*All are invited to remain kneeling and sing.*

KYRIE *Sung by all*

Healey Willan  
(1880-1968)

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.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*All are invited to sit.*

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NRSV)

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Antiphon is sung first by the Choir and then repeated by all, as indicated.*



- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \*  
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \*  
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, \*  
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned \*  
and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak \*  
and upright in your judgment. ***Antiphon.***
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \*  
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \*  
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \*  
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \*  
that the body you have broken may rejoice. ***Antiphon.***
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \*  
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \*  
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence \*  
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again \*  
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. ***Antiphon.***

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10 (NRSV)

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN: 439, “What wondrous love is this”

WONDROUS LOVE

*All are invited to turn toward the Gospel Book for the reading.*

THE GOSPEL: John 12:20-33 (NRSV)

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

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

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. James R. Harlan

*Silence for reflection.*

*All are invited to stand, as able.*

NICENE CREED    *Said by 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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, FORM V

*Intercessor*

In peace, let us pray to God saying, God, have mercy.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark, our Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O God,

**God, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, O Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O God,

**God, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church in Wales. In the Convocation Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Racial Justice, Reconciliation and Beloved Community and for the Convocation Task Force on Racism, Reconciliation and Beloved Community. We pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples. For all the victims of violence in Ukraine, the Middle East, and all areas of the world at war, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For this Cathedral community, here in Paris and across the globe, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O God.

**God, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you O Christ, our God.**

*Silence.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The monetary gifts in the Sunday offering plate help us to discern and realize God's call for The American Cathedral in Paris. Please use the Offering Envelope for gifts by cash or check. To make gifts via the "virtual, electronic" offering plate, please scan this QR code or visit [amcathparis.com/donate](http://amcathparis.com/donate).*



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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *O Jesu Christ, meus Lebens Licht*

J. S. Bach  
(1685-1750)

*Sung in German*

O Jesus Christ, light of my life, my refuge, comfort, and confidence, on earth I am but a guest and by sin's burden sore oppressed. (Text: Martin Behm, 1557-1622)

*All are invited to stand and sing.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer C)

*Celebrant* God be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

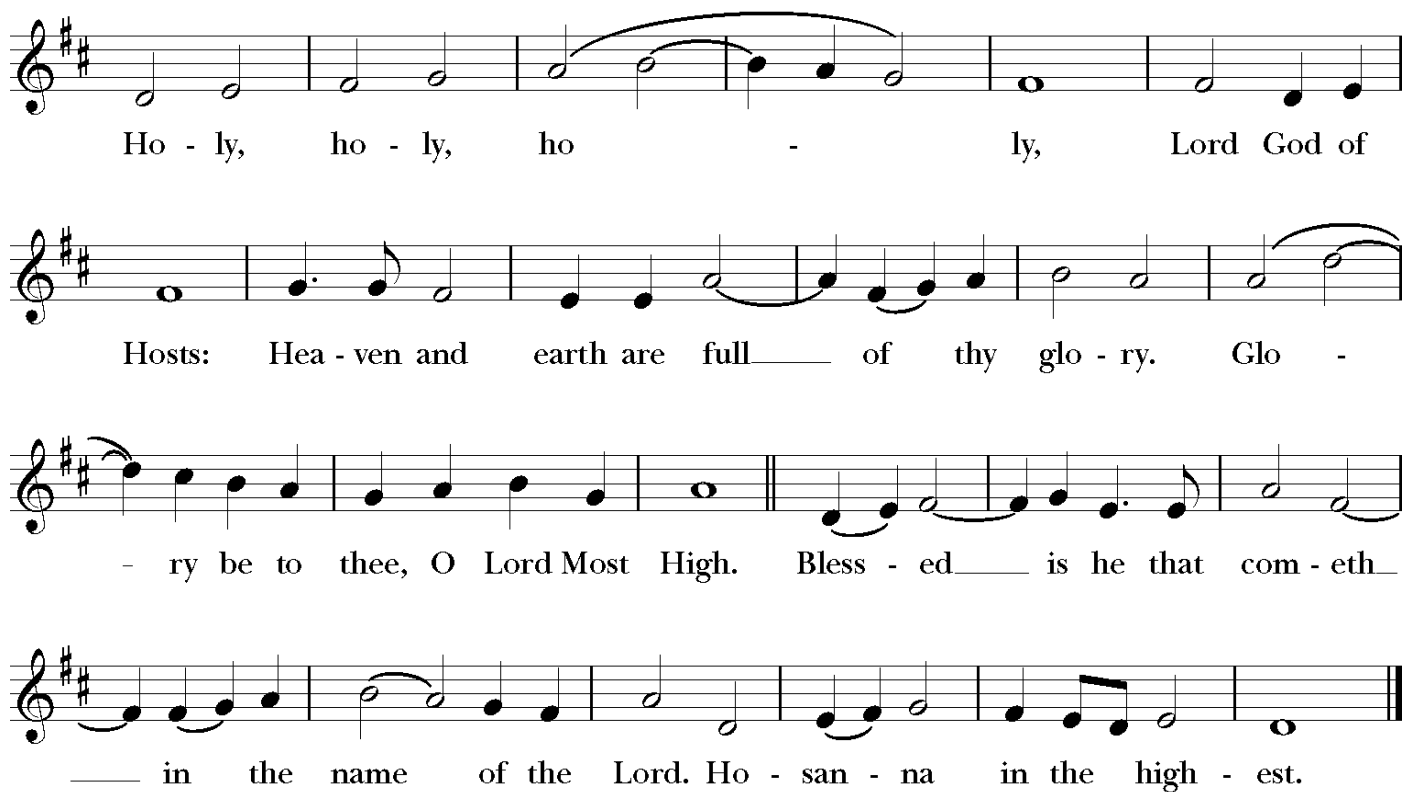
*Celebrant* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**  
*Celebrant* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.  
*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**  
*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.  
*People* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**  
*Celebrant* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.  
*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

*The Celebrant continues*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Sung by all*

Healey Willan  
(1880-1968)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord God of our Holy and Righteous Forebears; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER, *said by all in their own language*

<b>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.</b>	<b>Notre Père qui es aux cieux, que ton Nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous soumetts pas à la tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal. Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.</b>
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*(organ)* *All*  
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy up - on us. *(organ)* O Lamb of  
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
*(organ)* O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world,  
*(organ)* grant us thy peace.

*Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## THE COMMUNION

*L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale.*

*ALL are welcome to share in the Eucharist, the feast of the Lord's Supper. Communion is administered today at the altar rail.*

*You are invited to kneel or stand at the altar rail. In either case, please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. The wine follows; please drink from the cup as it is extended to you. We are not allowed to permit dipping the host in the chalice.*

*Gluten-free communion wafers are available for those who need them. Please ask the priest who is distributing bread at communion.*

*Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew. Sadly, we must be concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.*

## COMMUNION MOTETS:

*Jesus, so lowly*

Harold Friedell  
(1905-1958)

Jesus, so lowly, Child of the earth: christen me wholly, bring me new birth. Jesus, so lonely, weary and sad; teach me that only love maketh glad. Jesus, so broken, silent and pale; be this the token love will not fail. Jesus, victorious, mighty and free; teach me how glorious death is to be. (Text, Edith Williams, 1889-1969)

*O sacrum convivium*

Stephanie Martin  
(b.1962)

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received; the memorial of his passion is renewed; the soul is filled with grace; and a pledge of future glory is given to us. [Text: based on 1 Corinthians 11:26 & Romans 8:18]

COMMUNION HYMN: 170, "To mock your reign, O dearest lord"      THE THIRD TUNE



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *All are invited to stand, as able and pray,*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*Clergy* Bow down before the Lord.

*All are invited to kneel, as able. The Celebrant continues,*

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All are invited to stand, as able.*

HYMN: 495, "Hail, thou once despised Jesus!"

IN BABILONE

THE DISMISSAL

*Response* **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Please preserve the silence of the sanctuary as you leave.*

**SERVING TODAY:** *Preacher:* The Very Rev. James R. Harlan; *Celebrant:* The Rev. Canon Hailey Jacobsen; *Canon Precentor and Director of Music:* Zachary Ullery; *Organist:* Andrew Dewar; *Associate Organist:* George Nicholls; *Choir:* The Cathedral Choir; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Nicolas Kasprzyk, Guillaume Tejada, Thomas Girty; *Lectors:* Sue Sturman; Thomas Girty; *Livestream Production:* Arthur Girard; *Ushers:* Xavier Chanay, Christine Brooks, Benjamin Chanay; *Vestry Members in Charge:* Joyce Chanay, Chris Barnes.

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## Bienvenue and Welcome!

**Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris.** We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here. Building on our past and our journey towards inclusion, we strive to create a future of faith, love, and charity. Let's do it together. Give us a call, send an email, or find us at coffee hour—we can't wait to get to know you.

**Contact information** for the clergy, staff and Vestry can be found at [amcathparis.com/leadership](http://amcathparis.com/leadership).

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**Livestreaming:** Please note that we are livestreaming this service. If you do not wish to appear on the livestream, please sit behind the first five pews. Thank you.

**Bulletin announcements:** Please send through any announcements for the bulletin to [communications@americancathedral.org](mailto:communications@americancathedral.org) by midday on Wednesday.

## Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Anne, Annie, Barry, Blandine, Myriam, the Dechelle family, Alex, David, Hervé, Elizabeth, Melissa, Jeremy, Françoise and Eleanor.

We pray for those who have died, especially Peggy, Donny, Mary Lou Hessler and Caroline Beaupère.

We pray for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine and all areas where there is conflict.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church in Wales.

In the Convocation Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Racial Justice, Reconciliation and Beloved Community and for the Convocation Task Force on Racism, Reconciliation and Beloved Community.

**Prayer requests** may be sent to us at [communications@americancathedral.org](mailto:communications@americancathedral.org).

## Children and Youth

**Nursery Care Available:** Babies, Toddlers, and their noise and exuberance are always welcome in our Cathedral's services! In addition, for any families who would like to use it, nursery care for infants - 3-year-olds is available during our 11:00 a.m. Sunday service from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. The Nursery is above the Parish Hall on the second floor by the elevator in the Leo Room.

**Sunday School:** During the school term we meet in the Fleetwood room from 10:45 a.m. to around 11:45 a.m. when Communion is served in the 11:00 a.m. service. All children from ages 3 to 10 years old are welcome to attend. Please contact Andrew Aitken on [sundayschool@americancathedral.org](mailto:sundayschool@americancathedral.org) for more information.

**Youth Group:** All youth in grades 6<sup>ème</sup>/ 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 11<sup>ème</sup>/ 12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome at Youth Group. Contact Canon Hailey on [canon@americancathedral.org](mailto:canon@americancathedral.org) or Youth Leaders Adrien & Mélanie LeSure [youth@americancathedral.org](mailto:youth@americancathedral.org) for more information.

The next Youth Group Meeting is a *Pizza Chat* from 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m. is **today, Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**, in the Fleetwood Room.

**Youth Across Europe:** Those ages 11 - 18 in collège/ middle school and lycée/ high school are invited to Youth Across Europe, an annual gathering of youth from Episcopal churches across Europe. This year's gathering will be in Frankfurt from May 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. Registration is due by March 20<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please contact Canon Hailey ([canon@americancathedral.org](mailto:canon@americancathedral.org)).

**Youth Group Easter Day Bake Sale:** Our Youth Group is having a Bake Sale on Easter Day to support their ministry and journey to Frankfurt for Youth Across Europe in May. You can help them by dropping off a Bake Sale item during Holy Week or before the service you are attending on Easter Day - and by purchasing baked goods on Easter Day.

For more information, please contact Canon Hailey ([canon@americancathedral.org](mailto:canon@americancathedral.org)).

## Safeguarding

As part of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, The American Cathedral in Paris is committed to assuring that all people are treated with respect and that no one is abused, harassed, or taken advantage of in any way. We are especially committed to assuring the safety of children and those adults who may be particularly vulnerable.

We adhere to the Convocation's Safeguarding Policy, and a member of our congregation is appointed as the Safeguarding Officer. If you have any concerns at all, please know that they are available to speak with you.

Our Safeguarding Officers are Angelina Stelmach and William Tompson. Please contact them with any questions or concerns at [safeguarding@americancathedral.org](mailto:safeguarding@americancathedral.org).

## Holy Week 2024: Create in us a New Heart

Please join us online and in person for Holy Week for the following services in addition to our regular services. Everyone is welcome. Please note that the Cathedral will be closed during the week **April 1st- 6th**. The Cathedral will remain open for AA meetings and for the Célébration Eucharistique (MEFR) on April 6th.

### **Palm Sunday | Sunday, March 24th**

- 11:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist with procession from Place de la Reine Astrid (online and in person)

### **Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>: Prayer with The Rainbow Ministry (in person only)**

- 9:00 a.m. | Morning Prayer
- 12:00 p.m. | Noonday Prayer
- 6:00 p.m. | Evening Prayer
- 9:00 p.m. | Contemplation and Compline

### **Maundy Thursday | Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:30 p.m. | Holy Eucharist with washing of feet (online and in person)

### **Good Friday | Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

- 12:00 p.m. | Sung Passion with Communion from the Reserved Sacrament (online and in person)

### **Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:00 p.m. | Easter Vigil (online and in person). Join us for drinks and canapés after the service. **(Please note that incense will be used during this service)**

### **Easter Day | Sunday, March 31st**

- 9:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist (in person only)
- 11:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist (online and in person) | After the 11:00 a.m. service: Easter Egg Hunt (for children aged 10 years and under- no reservation required)

## Lent 2024: Create in us a New Heart

In addition to our regular Sunday morning and midweek services, there are plenty of other moments to join us for worship during Lent:

### Wednesdays at the Cathedral with The Rainbow Ministry

Join us during Lent (February 14th - March 30th) for inclusive, bilingual prayer. Everyone is welcome!

Wednesdays at :

- 9:00 a.m. | Morning Prayer
- 12:00 p.m. | Noonday Prayer
- 6:00 p.m. | Evening Prayer
- 9:00 p.m. | Contemplation and Compline

Rejoignez-nous pendant le Carême (du 14 février au 30 mars) pour du prière inclusif et bilingue (anglais-français). Tou.te.s sont les bienvenu.e.s.

### Easter Flowers 2024

You are invited to participate in the annual Easter Flower Fund to decorate the Cathedral with flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one or several loved ones. The deadline to participate is Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

To donate and dedicate flowers, please use the special envelopes found in the pews or visit <https://amcathparis.com/donate> (or scan the QR code)– making sure that you note the donation is for Easter Flowers and to whom the flowers are dedicated.



## Praying Lent with The Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe

*Pray as you can, not as you can't*

**(Online on Zoom: 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. CET time)**

**Wednesdays during Lent from February 21st.**

During Lent, the Canon for Spiritual Development, Ali Gray, will be hosting 5 weekly sessions on Zoom to help deepen our prayer lives. For the Zoom link, please scan the QR below. The sessions will be relaxed, gentle and invitational. We will practice centering prayer and journaling, the Examen, Lectio Divina, imaginative prayer and praying with art and poetry. They will last 90 minutes and will include time sharing our experiences- both struggles and joys, introduction to, and guided practice of each mode of prayer, and finish with compline.



All are welcome, for one session or every week. There's no need to book, just turn up. For more information, please contact Ali Gray on [agray@tec-europe.org](mailto:agray@tec-europe.org).

### **Good Friday Offering, special online concert to support Middle East ministries**

As The Episcopal Church's Good Friday Offering prepares to mark 102 years, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry invites the whole church to an afternoon of sacred music and collective giving to support siblings in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

The concert will air online at **3:00 p.m. ET March 29th** on The Episcopal Church's [Facebook page](#) and [website](#). Viewers will have the opportunity to make donations during the event to go toward the offering, also frequently gathered by churches during Good Friday services.

“We will not forget those caught in the crossfire between warring factions in the land where our Lord walked,” Curry writes in his [annual Lent letter](#) to Episcopal churches. “As we mark our Lord's passion and death on Good Friday, we remember those whom he loves facing injustice and oppression today, and remember the urgency of love—true, sacrificial love.”

### **Confirmation And Reception Happening on Pentecost | Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Confirmation is the sacramental rite of making a mature and public commitment in the Episcopal Church to living out your Christian faith. For those who have already been confirmed in another Church, Reception is the public rite (which looks and sounds very similar to Confirmation) of officially joining the Episcopal Church. The next opportunity for Confirmation and Reception will be on Pentecost, Sunday, May 19th.

For adults who would like to be Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church, preparation will happen during the Easter Season leading up to Pentecost.

Sign up by Palm Sunday (March 24th). Please contact Canon Hailey ([canon@americancathedral.org](mailto:canon@americancathedral.org)) to sign up or for more information.

### **Paris Choral Society Concert | Carl Rütti's Requiem**

**Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**

Swiss composer Carl Rütti's (b.1949) music blends English choral tradition with other genres, including jazz and the blues, in rich and colorful textures. His music combines dazzling rhythms, soaring melodies and distinctively lush harmonies, often using two keys simultaneously. Relentless, driving rhythms co-exist with quietly shimmering soundscapes.

Of his Requiem, a 2007 commission from the celebrated Bach Choir, the composer writes that 'no words are strong enough to express the feelings of the bereaved, nor sufficient to explain what will await us after death. Music may be the most appropriate language'.

Scored for soprano, baritone, double choir, strings, harp and organ, Rutti's Requiem ultimately affirms life's precious fragility – with, at the end, a solo voice fading into the distance as the soul enters heaven.



PCS is proud and delighted to present this wonderful work for the first time in France.



Tickets are available on the Paris Choral Society website (<https://parischoralsociety.org/>) or by scanning the QR code.

### **Les Dimanches Musicaux | Today at 3:00 p.m.**

Please join Les Arts George V **this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.** for their free concert series, **Les Dimanches Musicaux**, featuring Francesca Maria Villani playing works for the piano by Brahms, Ravel and Berg. For more information, please visit <https://lagv.org/>. All are welcome. No reservation needed.

### **Music Notes | A Multitude of Voices**

To create a fuller and more inclusive picture of the richness of our musical heritage, we will be exploring music composed by women, BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color), and other historically under-represented composers.

The communion motet heard this morning was composed by Canadian composer and conductor **Stephanie Martin**. Martin is associate professor of music at York University's School of the Arts, Media, Performance, and Design. She directs Schola Magdalena, a women's ensemble for chant, medieval and modern music. She is conductor emeritus of Pax Christi Chorale, and past director of music at the historic church of Saint Mary Magdalene in Toronto. Martin holds degrees from the University of Toronto, Wilfrid Laurier University, and is an Associate of the Royal Canadian College of Organists. In York University's *School of Arts, Media, Performance and Design* she teaches music history, composition, harpsichord and organ, and coaches historical ensembles.

## Music Notes | The Presentation Hymn

In an effort to create a new experience in communal worship, we will be singing a hymn at the presentation that hopefully no one knows. This experience allows us as a worshipping community to experience something new together. So please remember to make a joyful noise...even if it feels unfamiliar and a little uncomfortable!

The Presentation Hymn for the liturgical season of Lent is “Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I begun” (140). This John Donne poem was written during an illness in 1623. The poem was later set to music as a song commissioned by the author. The tune DONNE was composed by John Hilton and is reminiscent of a Renaissance lute song. **You’ve now spotted all of the homonyms. Any ideas about what Donne was confessing?**

## Support Our Community | Stewardship

### Join in the Stewardship of Our Cathedral Home: Pledge Today!

An enormous thank you to the over 140 households who have so far pledged to support our Cathedral in 2024! We are still trying to reach our goal of over 180 pledging households. We need everyone to join in at every size pledge to make sure we can do everything we hope in 2024. There is still time to pledge!



To learn more, email Canon Hailey at [canon@americancathedral.org](mailto:canon@americancathedral.org) or Stewardship Co-Chairs Anne Pouret and Chris Barnes on [pledge@americancathedral.org](mailto:pledge@americancathedral.org).

### Support Music at the Cathedral via Les Arts George V

Les Arts George V (LAGV) supports the music at the Cathedral in many ways: among them **hosting Les Dimanches Musicaux (LDM) and encouraging sponsorships and donations**. Half the proceeds of LDM go to the Cathedral music program. For sponsorships and donations, remember that in France, while LAGV receives 100% of your gift, you will receive 66% as a deduction on your income tax.



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## Three Things to Know

All youth in grades 6<sup>ème</sup>/ 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 11<sup>ème</sup>/ 12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome at the Youth Group Meeting **today**, *Pizza Chat*, from **12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in the Fleetwood Room.

Join The Paris Choral Society next week on **Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>** for the French premier of **Carl Rütti's Requiem**. More details on page 24 of your bulletins.

**RDV next Sunday at 11:00 a.m. at Place de la Reine Astrid** for our Palm Sunday service. A beautiful service starting with a procession to the Cathedral accompanied by a bagpiper. **The service online will start around 11:15 a.m.** when the procession arrives at the Cathedral. The Rt. Rev. Mark Edington will be preaching.

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