



**The Second Sunday in Lent**  
March 16th, 2025  
10:00 am



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## **Lament**

We lament the ways that our country, including our own Episcopal Church, has treated and oppressed our black siblings.

We lament:

In 1792, St. George's Methodist Episcopal Church excluded Absalom Jones and other African American members from joining the rest of the congregation in seating and kneeling on the first floor and instead segregated them to first sitting against the wall and then in the gallery or balcony.

We celebrate that in 1802, Absalom Jones became the first black Episcopalian priest in America.

*Response*

**May Almighty God have mercy on us, grant us courage and conviction and strengthen us to love others who are unlike us. May God, the Holy and Undivided Trinity, make us compassionate in our actions and courageous in our works, that we may see Christ's Beloved Community in our own day. Amen.**

We lament:

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Richmond, Virginia, where Robert E. Lee was a leader called itself the Cathedral of the Confederacy until the mid-1960's, and honored Lee along with Jefferson Davis with stained glass windows and plaques.

We celebrate that in 2016, this church by resolution of its vestry, removed and stored all plaques and kneelers bearing Confederate battle flag motifs and additional plaques associated with the Confederacy and Lost Cause sentiment. Also, in a service of reconciliation in 2020, the church also rededicated two pairs of windows originally honoring Confederate leaders—now dedicated to the glory of God. And in 2022, St. Paul's commissioned 14 hand-cut silhouettes by artist Janelle Washington illustrating the church's racial history. Modeled after the Stations of the Cross, the "Stations of St. Paul's" are displayed in the sanctuary during Lent and other special occasions.

*Response*

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We lament:

Closer to home, Mother Alcena Boozer, the first black Episcopal priest in Oregon, received little support and some skepticism when she felt the call to be a Deacon and then a Priest. In fact, one church locked its door when she was scheduled to preside there.

We celebrate that in December of 2023, Bishop Akiyama offered a formal apology for the injustices she experienced as a clergy member and postulant in the Diocese of Western Oregon.

*Response*

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We lament:

At St. David's, on a weekly basis, we lament the murders of black and brown people often at the hands of law enforcement personnel. We also lament and pray for the souls of our trans siblings and others who have died due to unjust actions.

We celebrate that our community feels called to not only gather for the weekly "Say Their Names" practice, but that we also continue to examine our own history and work towards racial conciliation.

*Response*

**May Almighty God have mercy on us, grant us courage and conviction and strengthen us to love others who are unlike us. May God, the Holy and Undivided Trinity, make us compassionate in our actions and courageous in our works, that we may see Christ's Beloved Community in our own day. Amen.**

### **Opening Acclamation**

*Presider* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins  
*People* **God's mercy endures forever.**

### **Opening Prayer**

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

### **Godly Play**

*Children of all ages are invited to the steps of the sanctuary to be sent on their way for Godly Play.*

*Deacon or Priest*

May you be deeply rooted and grounded in the Love of the God who made you and adores you.

*People* **May you understand how much this community values you and delights in you.**

*All* **And may you discover ways that you can be a force for Love in this world. Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### The First Reading

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Genesis.

*After the reading*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

### Psalm 27

Chant setting by Josh Hegg

*Please chant responsively with the Cantor, singing the bolded texts*



- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I / fear? \*  
the LORD is the strength of my life;  
of whom then shall I be a-/-fraid?
- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my / flesh, \*  
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and / fell.
- 3 **Though an army should encamp against / me, \***  
**yet my heart shall not be a-/-fraid;**
- 4 **And though war should rise up against / me, \***  
**yet will I put my trust in the / Lord.**
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;  
one thing I / seek; \*  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my / life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the / LORD \*  
and to seek God in the / temple.
- 7 **For in the day of trouble the Lord shall keep me safe**  
**in God's / shelter; \***  
**the Lord shall hide me in the secrecy of God's dwelling**  
**and set me high upon a / rock.**
- 8 **Even now God lifts up my / head \***  
**above my enemies round about / me.**



- 9 Therefore I will offer in God's dwelling an oblation  
with sounds of great / gladness; \*
- I will sing and make music to the / LORD.
- 10 Harken to my voice, O LORD, when I / call; \*
- have mercy on me and answer / me.
- 11 **You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my / face." \***
- Your face, LORD, will I / seek.**
- 12 **Hide not your face from / me, \***
- nor turn away your servant in dis-/-pleasure.**
- 13 You have been my helper;  
cast me not a-/-way; \*
- do not forsake me, O God of my sal-/-vation.
- 14 Though my father and my mother forsake / me, \*
- the LORD will sustain / me.
- 15 **Show me your way, O / LORD; \***
- lead me on a level path, because of my / enemies.**
- 16 **Deliver me not into the hand of my adver-/-saries, \***
- for false witnesses have risen up against me,**  
**and also those who speak / malice.**
- 17 **What if I had not believed**  
**that I should see the goodness of the / LORD \***  
**in the land of the / living!**
- 18 **O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure;**  
**be strong, and God shall comfort your / heart; \***  
**wait patiently for the / LORD.**

### **The Second Reading**

*Reader* A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

*After the reading*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Please stand to sing as you are able

**Gospel Hymn**

*Day by day*

Stephen Schwartz

*Sung three times*

Day by day, day by day, O, dear Lord, three things I pray: to see thee more clear-ly, love thee more dear-ly, fol-low thee more near-ly, day by day.

1.

2.

day by day, by day, by day, by day.

Words: Attr. Richard of Chichester (13th century), alt.  
Music: Stephen Schwartz, 1971  
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**The Gospel**

Luke 13:13-35

*The Deacon or Presider*

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

*After the reading*

*The Deacon or Presider*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon by the Rev. Dennis j. Sagun Parker**

*Please stand as you are able*

## **The Immigrant's Creed**

The Rev. José Luis Casal

*Presider and People*

**I believe in Almighty God, who guided the people in exile and in exodus, the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of foreigners and immigrants.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean, who was born away from his people and his home, who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger. When he returned to his own country he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power. Jesus was persecuted, beaten, tortured, and unjustly condemned to death. But on the third day Jesus rose from the dead, not as a scorned foreigner but to offer us citizenship in God's kingdom.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races.**

**I believe that the Church is the secure home for foreigners and for all believers. I believe that the communion of saints is revealed when we embrace all God's people in all their diversity. I believe in forgiveness, which makes us all equal before God, and in reconciliation, which heals our brokenness. I believe that at the Resurrection God will unite us as one people in which all are distinct, and all are alike at the same time. I believe in life eternal, in which no one will be foreigner, but all will be citizens of the kingdom where God reigns forever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

From The Episcopal Church Sub-committee on Racial Justice & Reconciliation

*The Deacon or Postulant says*

Let us pray for the Church, the world, and the needs of our own hearts:

*Leader* God of love, we pray for your church: For Sean our Presiding Bishop; Diana our bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

*Silence — Add your prayers for the church silently or aloud*

*Leader* God of love,

*All* **Hear our prayers for the church.**

*Leader* God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all of the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

*Silence — Add your prayers silently or aloud*

*Leader* God of freedom,  
*All* **Hear our prayers for the world.**

*Leader* God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

*Silence — Add your prayers silently or aloud*

*Leader* God of justice,  
*All* **Hear our prayers for the earth.**

*Leader* God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

*Silence — Add your prayers silently or aloud*

*Leader* God of peace,  
*All* **Hear our prayers for this community.**

*Leader* God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.

*Silence — Add your prayers silently or aloud*

*Leader* God of mercy,  
*All* **Hear our prayers for all who are in need.**



*Leader* God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

*Silence — Add your prayers silently or aloud*

*Leader* God of grace,

*All* **Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

*The Presider says*

Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of the broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin**

*The Deacon/Postulant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and one another.

*Please say together*

**Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift:**

**You create all people in your image**

**and call us to love one another as you love us.**

**We confess that we have failed to honor you**

**in the great diversity of the human family.**

**We have desired to live in freedom,**

**while building walls between ourselves and others.**

**We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are,**

**while making judgements of others based on the color of skin,**

**or the shape of features,**

**or the varieties of human experience.**

**We have tried to love our neighbors individually**

**while yet benefitting from systems**

**that hold those same neighbors in oppression.**

**Forgive us, Holy God.**

**Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.**

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**Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love.  
Restore us in your image,  
to be beloved community, united in our diversity,  
even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit,  
Holy and undivided Trinity, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Presider pronounces Absolution*

### **The Peace**

*Presider* The Peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*Please greet those around you with a sign of God's peace!*

## **The Liturgy of the Table**

### **The Offertory**

Your electronic offering can be accepted at the station  
on the coffee table at the back of the Sanctuary.

Text-to-give instructions are on the card in your pew.

To give online, here is Saint David's Offertory Link:

<http://www.saintdavidpdx.org/donate.html>

### **Offertory Hymn**

*Now let us all with one accord*

The Hymnal 1982, #147



1	Now	let	us	all	with	one	ac - cord,	in
2	The	cov - e -	nant,	so	long	re - vealed	to	
3	Your	love,	O	Lord,	our	sin - ful	race	has
4	Re -	mem -	ber,	Lord,	though	frail	we	be,
5	There	-	fore,	we	pray	you,	Lord,	for - give;
							so	



1 com - pa - ny with a - ges past, keep vi - gil with our  
 2 those of faith in for - mer time, Christ by his own ex -  
 3 not re - turned, but fal - si - fied; au - thor of mer - cy,  
 4 your own i - mage were we made; help us, lest in anx -  
 5 when our wan - derings here shall cease, we may with you for



1 heaven - ly Lord in his temp - ta - tion and his fast.  
 2 am - ple sealed, the Lord of love, in love sub - lime.  
 3 turn your face and grant re - pent - ance for our pride.  
 4 i - e - ty, we cause your Name to be be - trayed.  
 5 ev - er live, in love and u - ni - ty and peace.

Words: Att. Gregory the Great (540-604); tr. *Praise the Lord*, 1972, alt. James Quinn, SJ. Printed by permission of Geoffrey Chapman, a division of Cassell Ltd. Music: *Bourbon*, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780-1859); harm. Thomas Foster (b. 1938).

***Please stand as you are able, as the ushers bring forward our offerings to God from God's people***

*Please stand as you are able*

**Eucharistic Prayer A**

Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The *Presider* continues ...

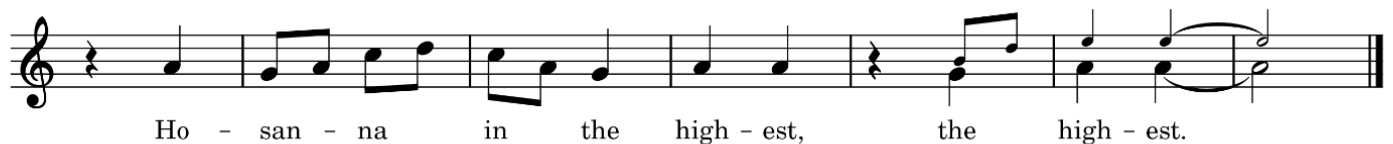
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Presider and People*

**Sanctus**

*Missa Appalachia*

Wonder Love and Praise, #850



Setting: Jonathan Dimmock (b. 1957), from *Missa Appalachia*  
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*The Presider continues ...*

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself ... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues ...*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. ... By Christ, and with Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Creator, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

## The Lord's Prayer

The Hymnal 1982, #S-149

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed 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 - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,  
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*Presider* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## The Fraction Anthem

*The bread which we break* Wonder Love and Praise, #867

The bread which we break is a shar - ing in the  
Bo - dy of Christ. We be - ing ma - ny are one  
bread, one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.

The musical score is written on three staves in G major. The first staff is in 4/4 time, the second in 3/4, and the third in 3/4. The lyrics are: "The bread which we break is a shar - ing in the Bo - dy of Christ. We be - ing ma - ny are one bread, one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread."

Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *Fraction Anthems, Canticles, and Chants*. Copyright © 1997 Carl Haywood.

*The People receive Communion.*

*The Bread is gluten free, nut free, and dairy free. Both wine and juice are available at the rail; when presented with the cup, please let the Minister know if you prefer juice. If you are unable to ascend the steps to the rail, Ministers will be available to bring the elements out to you; please let an usher know. All are welcome to partake.*

*Healing Prayer is offered in the Chapel after Communion.*

## Communion Hymn

*Come to the table of grace*

*Please sing three times, using "grace," "peace," and "hope"*

Come to the ta - ble of \*grace. Come to the ta - ble of \*grace.

The musical score is written on two staves in G major, 3/4 time. The lyrics are: "Come to the ta - ble of \*grace. Come to the ta - ble of \*grace."

This is God's ta-ble, it's not yours or mine. Come to the ta-ble of \*grace.

\*Additional stanza:

2 peace; 3 love; 4 joy; 5 hope

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Communion Hymn

*My Jesus I love thee*

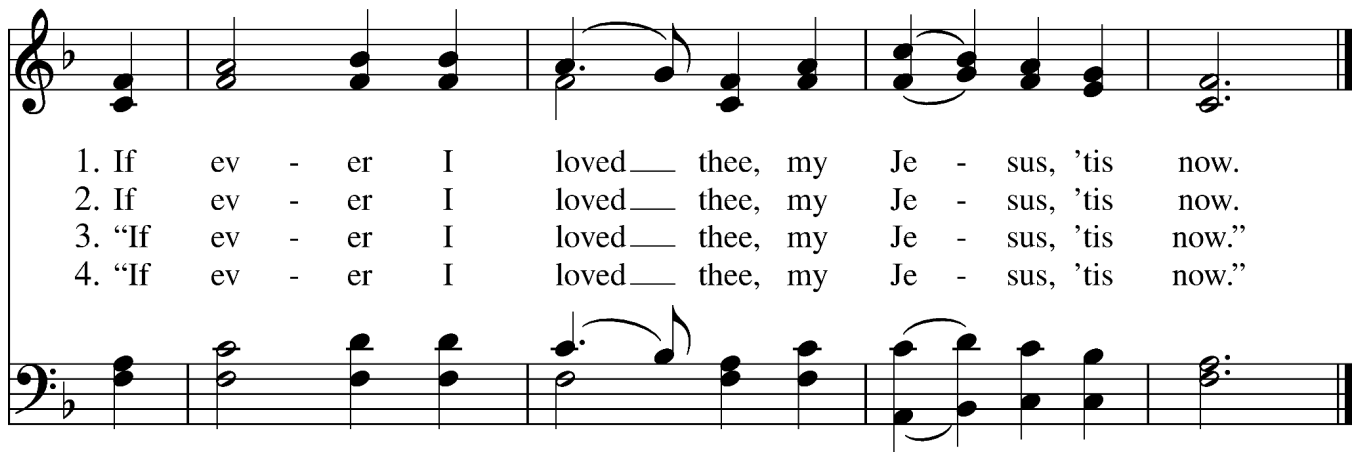
Lift Every Voice and Sing II, #89

1. My Je - sus, I love\_\_\_ thee, I know thou art mine,  
2. I love thee be - cause\_\_\_ thou hast first lov - ed me,  
3. I'll love thee in life,\_\_\_ I will love thee in death,  
4. In man - sions of glo - ry and end - less de - light,

1. For thee all the fol - lies of sin I re - sign;  
2. And pur - chased my par - don on Cal - va - ry's tree,  
3. And praise thee as long\_\_\_ as thou lend - est me breath;  
4. I'll ev - er a - dore\_\_\_ thee in heav - en so bright;

1. My gra - cious Re - deem - er, my Sav - ior are thou:\_\_\_  
2. I love thee for wear - ing the thorns\_\_\_ on thy brow:\_\_\_  
3. And say when the death - dew lies cold\_\_\_ on my brow,\_\_\_  
4. I'll sing with the glit - ter - ing crown\_\_\_ on my brow,\_\_\_





1. If ev - er I loved\_\_\_ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.  
 2. If ev - er I loved\_\_\_ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.  
 3. "If ev - er I loved\_\_\_ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now."  
 4. "If ev - er I loved\_\_\_ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now."

Words: William R. Featherstone (1846-1873), Music: Adoniram J. Gordon (1836-1895).

*Please stand as you are able*

**Prayer after Communion**

*From Prayers for an Inclusive Church*

*Presider and People*

**May we who have fed at Wisdom's table take her welcome out to where tables are reserved and doors are closed; may the Spirit drive us to break our bread on the altar of the world. Amen.**

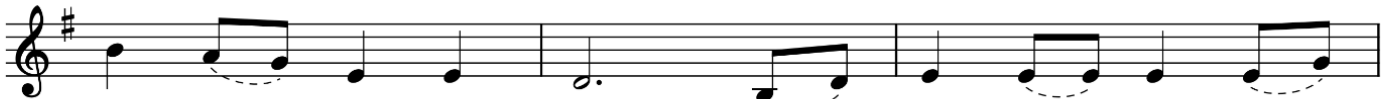
*The Presider gives the Blessing*

# Closing Hymn

# Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you  
3 From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a  
4 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



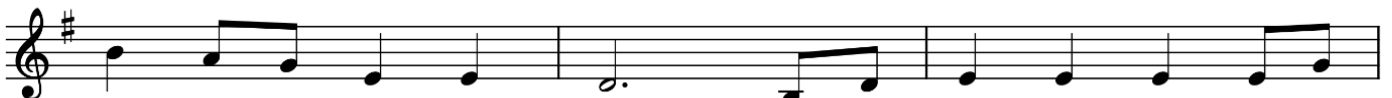
God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the  
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your  
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his throne.  
liv - er us from the con - quer-or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to  
The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the  
This sa - ving word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the  
food they can nev - er earn: There are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry  
prom - ise which holds us bound, 'til the spear and rod can be

name be blessed. Could the word be a - bout to turn?  
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bount to turn.  
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice

burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near,

and the world is a - bout to turn.

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Music: *Star of the County Down*, Irish melody; arr. Rory Cooney, 1990;  
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## Dismissal

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

## Serving Today

<b>Presider and Preacher</b>	Rev. Dennis j. Sagun Parker
<b>Deacon</b>	Rev. Tracy LeBlanc
<b>Music</b>	St. David's Choir Corin Parker, Guest Musician
<b>Readers</b>	Katie Urbani, Deirdre Baker
<b>Intercessor</b>	Anne Norloff
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Anne Norloff
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Kim Felder
<b>Usher</b>	April Wiza
<b>AV Tech</b>	Kieran Cannistra
<b>Coffee Hour Lead</b>	Diane Mattox
<b>Godly Play Story Teller</b>	Tracy LeBlanc
<b>Godly Play Door Keeper</b>	Diane Wells
<b>Childcare</b>	Owl Brooke, Zoe Brooke

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**The Immigrants Creed** was written by The Rev. José Luis Casal, an immigrant from Cuba, who in 2017 was appointed director of Presbyterian World Mission for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Casal authored the creed while serving as General Missioner of Tres Rios Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

**Healing Prayer on Sundays during Lent:** we will be offering Healing Prayer every Sunday morning service during Lent following communion. You can come to the chapel following communion where fellow parishioners of the Pastoral Care group will be available and pray with you. See your eNotes for more information.

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Deacon – The Rev. Dcn. Tracy LeBlanc  
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