

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 29, 2020



Church of the Redeemer

A Spiritual Harbor of Hospitality

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Holy Eucharist, Sunday, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer, Daily 7:00 a.m.

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We welcome you to the Church of the Redeemer

We are delighted to have you visit. We hope you will come again and again to worship Our Lord Jesus at Redeemer. We are a constituent parish of the Anglican Church in North America and the Diocese of the Mid-Atlantic.

The **Mission** of the Church of the Redeemer is to serve our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to maintain the truths, values and beliefs of the historic and apostolic Christian faith, and to affirm the authority of the Bible as the rule for our lives. As a loving, caring congregation, we reach out to each other, to our community and to the world, boldly proclaiming the good news that salvation comes through Christ alone.

Our **Vision** and hope for our worship and ministry is that it will be thoroughly Biblical and Holy Spirit-filled. This means we strive for it to be **EPIC**:

- Evangelical – promoting salvation through Jesus Christ by the proclamation of the gospel of the Kingdom of God
- Pentecostal – experiencing the Holy Spirit and ministering to one another by the gifts he gives.
- Inspirational – blessed and inspired by God and His Word to engage in the Mission of God in the church and world.
- Catholic – participating in the “one holy catholic (universal) and apostolic Church” through sacramental liturgy.

Our **EPIC** elements are expressed in the areas of **worship, mission, discipleship and fellowship.**

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Call to Worship Songs

Came To My Rescue

Verse 1

Falling on my knees in worship
Giving all I am to seek Your face
Lord all I am is Yours

Verse 2

My whole life I place in Your hands
God of mercy humbled I bow down
In Your presence at Your throne

Chorus

I called You answered
And You came to my rescue
And I wanna be where You are

Bridge

In my life be lifted high
In our world be lifted high
In our love be lifted high

You Alone Can Rescue

Verse 1

Who O Lord could save themselves
Their own soul could heal
Our shame was deeper than the sea
Your grace is deeper still

Chorus

And You alone can rescue
You alone can say
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of
death
To You alone belongs the highest praise

Verse 2

You O Lord have made a way
The great divide You healed
For when our hearts were far away
Your love went further still
Yes Your love goes further still

Bridge

We lift up our eyes
Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life
We lift up our eyes
Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life

Holy Eucharist Service

Processional Hymn: "O Bless The Lord, My Soul" *Hymn 111*

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

People His mercy endures for ever.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

The Summary of the Law

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

The following is said at both services

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us;

People Christ, have mercy upon us,

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

A Time of silent prayer for the congregation

Gloria in excelsis S—280

Said at 8:00 a.m. and Sung at 10:30 a.m.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the
Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and Collect of the Day:

Celebrant The Lord be with you;
People And with your spirit;
Celebrant Let us pray.

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 this 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.**

The First Lesson Ezekiel 1-14

The first lesson is a reading from the book of Ezekiel

37 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord."

⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

The word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

The Psalm *Psalm 130:1-8*

Let us read responsively by the whole verse from Psalm 130

- 1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
- 2 O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
- 3 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
- 4 But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.
- 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
- 6 my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.
- 8 And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

The following is Said at the 8 a.m. service and Sung at the 10:30 a.m. service

† Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. [Amen]

The Second Lesson *Romans 8:6-11*

The second lesson is a reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

⁶For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

The word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God

The Gospel *John 11:1-15*

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

¹ Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. ³ So the sisters sent to him, saying, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” ⁴ But when Jesus heard it he said, “This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

⁵ Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶ So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. ⁷ Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” ⁸ The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?” ⁹ Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. ¹⁰ But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.” ¹¹ After saying these things, he said to them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him.” ¹² The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover.” ¹³ Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. ¹⁴ Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus has died, ¹⁵ and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” ¹⁶ So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

¹⁷ Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.

¹⁸ Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰ So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹ Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” ²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” ²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” ²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷ She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

²⁸ When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” ²⁹ And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him.

³¹ When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³² Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. ³⁴ And he said,

“Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” ³⁵Jesus wept. ³⁶So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?”

³⁸Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.” ⁴⁴The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” ⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord
People Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Craig Stephans

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant: Let us declare our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
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

Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

O Lord our Governor, whose glory fills all the world: We commend this Nation to your merciful care, that we may be guided by your providence, and dwell secure in your peace. Grant to the President of this Nation, the Governor of this State, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, and make them continually mindful of their calling to serve this people in reverent obedience to you.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Ministers, and especially to your servants Foley Beach—our Archbishop, to John—our Bishop, to Craig—our Rector and to all who minister at Church of the Redeemer, that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

Reader Lord in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission; making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded.

Reader Lord in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, by your gift alone we come to wisdom and true understanding: Look with favor, we pray, on our universities, colleges, and schools that knowledge may be increased among us, and wholesome learning flourish and abound. Bless those who teach and learn; and grant that in humility of heart they may ever look to you, the fountain of all wisdom.

Reader Lord in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, persecution, or any other adversity. We especially lift up to you:

Reader Lord in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

We remember before you all your servants who departed this life in your faith and fear; that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good example of all your saints, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom.

Reader Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer

Reader Your prayers, praises and prophetic words are invited at this time.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:9*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

The congregation may greet one another with the peace of the Lord at this time

The Offertory

Today's loose offering is designated by the Vestry for maintenance of the Memorial Garden

Anthem (Choir)

If there is no anthem, the following may be sung:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Presentation of the Offering

The People stand while the offerings are presented. The following may be said.

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you. *1 Chronicles 29:11, 14*

At Holy Communion

All baptized Christians who have sincerely repented of their sins and are in love and peace with their neighbors are encouraged to receive Holy Communion standing or kneeling at the altar. Others are encouraged to come forward for a blessing that can be requested by folding your arms over your chest as the minister approaches.

Bread and wine may be received by eating the bread and drinking from the chalice or dipping the bread into the wine and then eating it. If you do not want to receive the wine, you may take bread only by returning to your seat after receiving bread or by folding your arms as the cup is presented to you.

The sanctus (altar) bells are rung three times during the Communion prayers to make a joyful noise to the Lord in thanksgiving for the miraculous gift of the bread and the wine becoming for his faithful people the body and blood of Christ.

Private Confession and/or Pastoral Counseling with a priest are available by appointment. If you would like a home visit by Fr. Craig, please let him know. Our Associate Priest, Mother Jessica Lee has offered to make herself available for pastoral counseling and prayer ministry on Sundays between the services. For private time with her, you can contact her directly at (910) 358-1164.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

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 him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Sanctus S 129

All say together at 8 a.m. and sing together at 10:30 a.m.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest

The Prayer of Consecration

The People stand or kneel as they are able. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."



After supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me.



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.



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

Celebrant and People together pray The Lord's Prayer

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,
forever and ever. *Amen*

The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed,
once for all upon the cross.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and People together

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei

Said at the 8 a.m. service; Sung at the 10:30 a.m. service (3 times)

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace. [Give us your peace.]

The Ministration of Communion

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Song: "Fill My Cup" Please turn to page 19

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together

Heavenly Father,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out into the world to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn "O Spirit Of The Living God" Hymn 531

The Deacon Go forth and bear witness to Jesus Christ, who is gloriously risen from the dead.

People Thanks be to God, He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Today's Lay Ministers

Lay Minister 8:00 a.m.	Stephanie Miller
Lay Ministers 10:30 a.m.	Truman Surfacc/Barbara Adams
Crucifer	Susanna Surface
Counting Teams	Keith Pinto/Lee Carlson
Ushers	Please place your offering in the plate at the railing
Altar Guild	Nancy Cunningham
CEO	David Seavey
Continental Breakfast	No continental breakfast until further notice
Coffee Hour	No coffee hour until further notice

Choir/Praise Band: Lee & Helyne Carlson, Henry Cuninghame, Cecelia Dudley, Kay Moncla, Wanda Halstead, Marina Stevenson, Barbara Adams, Evan Lee, Bobby & Marie Justiss, Bert & Jeannie Kuhl, Anna Sitterson, Dave & Kate Seavey, Paul Stevenson, Keith & Peri Pinto, Beth Fraser, and Bill Lehmann.

Altar Flowers

This week's altar flowers are sponsored by Tim & Maureen Gravgard, in loving memory of Maureen's Mother Dolores Ann Ryan and Tim's Grandfather Elmer Gravgard.

Reflect & Pray

In what areas of your life do you need to grow in contentment? How might you change your focus?

Father, You are good and all You do is good. Teach me contentment in You. I want to learn.

Attendance

8:00 Service: 9
10:30 Service: 19

Tithes & Offerings

Offering Given:	\$ 1,855.00
Budgeted need each week:	\$ 4,261.00
Mortgage Balance:	\$ 104,992.35
2020 Pledge Drive:	\$ 173,175.00 of \$ 221,566.00

Weekly Events

- **Sunday Morning Bible Study:** 9:15-10:15 a.m.: To Be a Christian
- **Middle & High School Discipleship:** Sundays 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the church.
- **Morning Prayer Service:** 7 a.m. Monday-Saturday
- **Monday Prayer Group:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. 1614 Crescent Dr, E City
- **Men's Prayer Group:** Tuesdays 7 a.m. Grouper's Restaurant
- **Men's Discipleship Groups:** Wednesday 7:15-8:15 a.m. at Belcross Bakery & Thursdays 7:15-8:15 a.m. at Kathy's Kreation.
- **Discipleship Group:** Thursdays 6 p.m. Parish Hall - To Be a Christian
- **Lectio Divina** (reading and reflection on Scripture) Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. except the 1st Wednesday of the month due to SOULS Feeding.
- **Choir Practice:** Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Redeemer
- **Stations of the Cross:** at 5:30 p.m. at Redeemer through Lent

Monthly Events

- **Healing Service:** 1st Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the church.
- **SOULS Feeding:** 1st Wednesday of the month 5:30 p.m.
- **Learning the Practices of Ministry:** 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the church.
- **Home Groups:** Alternate Mondays at 6 p.m. and Every other Thursday at 7 p.m. Contact Fr. Craig (craigstephans@gmail.com) for details.
- **Podcast Information:** All of our sermons and Lectio Divina recordings can be found here at <https://stephans.podomatic.com/>. The most recent are available on iTunes & Spotify.
- **Wycliffe Associates Information:** Additional information about Wycliffe Associates can be found on their web site at <https://www.wycliffecassociates.org/>

Is God calling you and empowering you to initiate a ministry of prayer, discipleship, outreach or fellowship? See Fr. Craig to discuss it.

Communion Song: “Fill My Cup”

Chorus

Fill my cup
Oh my God
For I am thirsty for purity and love
Cleanse my soul
With your blood
Grant me mercy and grace, from above

Verse 1

I know I have sinned and come short of the glory of God
Yet You are so faithful and just to give out your love
Yes You are the Lord my God, the only one
Who so loved the world you gave us Your Son

Chorus

Fill my cup
Oh my God
For I am thirsty for purity and love
Cleanse my soul
With your blood
Grant me mercy and grace, from above

Verse 2

All blessing and honor and glory and power are Yours
Oh Lamb of God who came to save the world
there is none worthy of mercy that You freely give
You sent your Son Jesus to die so I may live

Chorus

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For I am thirsty for purity and love
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