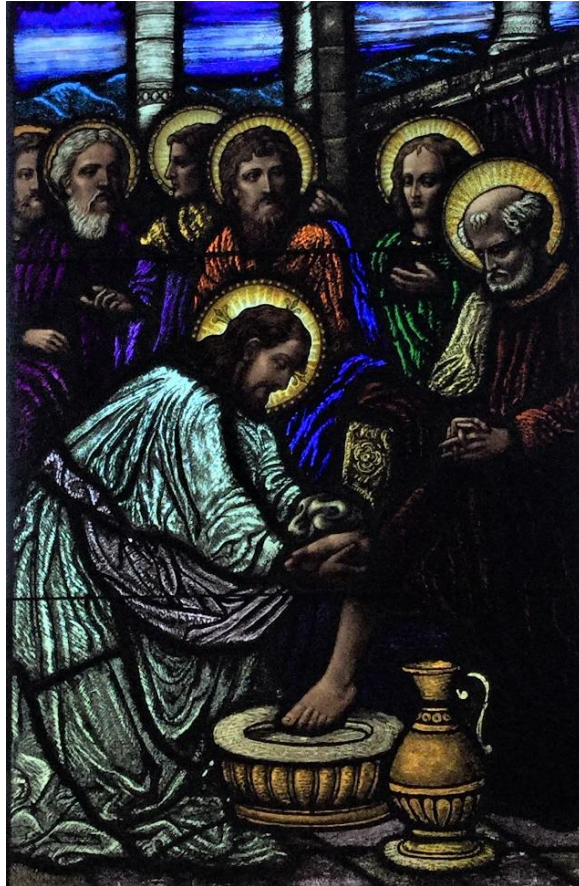


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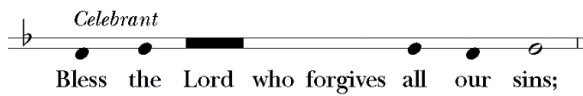
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OPENING HYMN

God is Love, and Where True Love Is

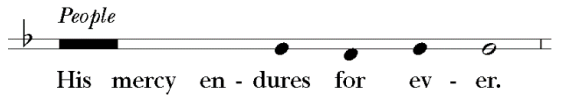
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Celebrant



Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People




His mercy en - dures for ev - er.

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.**

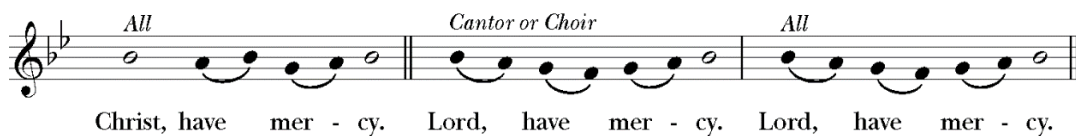
THE KYRIE

Cantor or Choir *All* *Cantor or Choir*



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

All *Cantor or Choir* *All*



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

THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Reading

Exodus 12:1-14

Lector A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but

roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE: Psalm 116:1, 10-17

**1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.**

**10 How shall I repay the LORD *
for all the good things he has done for me?**

**11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

**12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people.**

**13 Precious in the sight of the LORD *
is the death of his servants.**

**14 O LORD, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.**

**15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

**16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people,**

**17 In the courts of the LORD's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Lector A Reading from the First Book of Paul to the Corinthians.

I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Verse A new commandment I give you: love one another as I have loved you.

THE GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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

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

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason, he said, "Not all of you are clean." After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord--and you are right, for that is what I am. So, if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now, I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Sharon Sheffield

CEREMONY OF THE WASHING OF FEET

Celebrant Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: On the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the Kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. We all need to remember his example, but none stand more in need of this reminder than those whom the Lord has called to the ordained ministry.

Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others, for "a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

FOOTWASHING ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM I

Deacon or other leader

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, in the air, or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those whose needs are known to God alone, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of Gregory, Thomas of Canterbury, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Let us offer our gifts, so that God will bless and break them like holy bread and use them to nourish the world.

The Rev. Kay Sylvester

OFFERTORY HYMN

Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist Did Pray

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All sing: **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.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
hea - ven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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 he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

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. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

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

Celebrant and People

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,

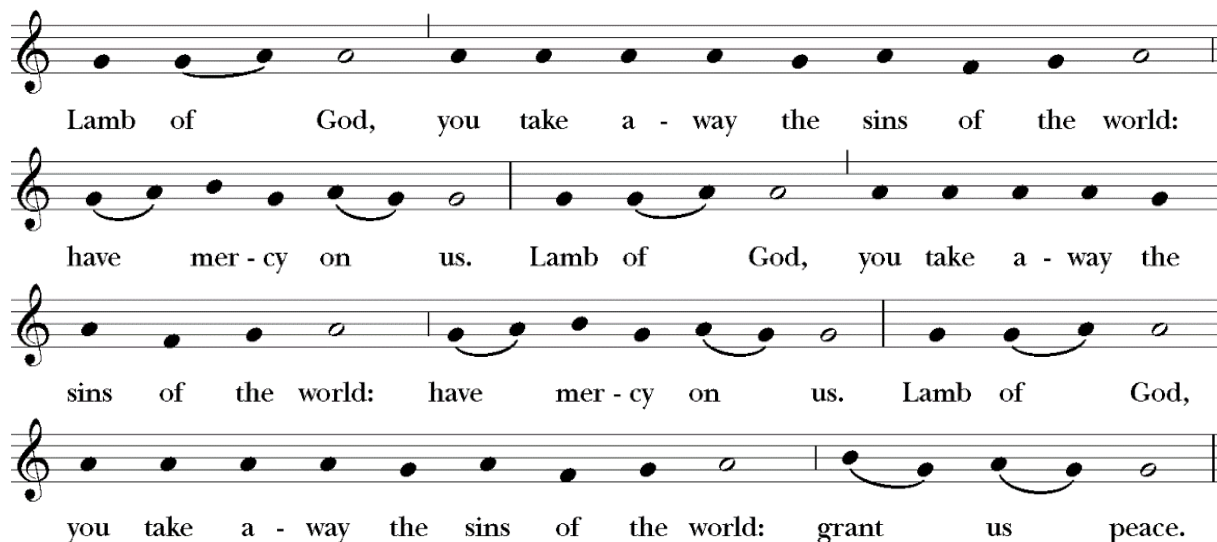
as we forgive those

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant 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 ARIA

Panis Angelicus

C. Franck

Lector

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The service concludes with the stripping of the altar. You are welcome to sing “Stay with me” as the altar is stripped and the elements are carried to the altar of repose. You are also welcome to keep vigil in your homes as we will keep vigil in the church until midnight.

Stay With Me

Jacques Berthier

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and

pray watch and pray.

OPENING HYMN

God is Love, and Where True Love Is

Mandatum

Refrain



God is love, and where true love is

God him - self is there. there.

Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.

Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.

Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.

Repeat Refrain

Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.

FOOT WASHING ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas

Jacques Berthier

Descant

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

A

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

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u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

Translation: Where true charity and love abide, God is there.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist Did Pray

Song 1

Unison or harmony

The musical score is written for unison or harmony in a single system. It consists of six systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray that all thy Church might be for ev - er one, grant us at ev - ery Eu - cha - rist to say with long - ing heart and soul, 'Thy will be done.' O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be, through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty." The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line.

Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray

that all thy Church might be for ev - er one,

grant us at ev - ery Eu - cha - rist to say

with long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."

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PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your child, O Lord, as her/his days increase; bless and guide her/his wherever he may be. Strengthen her/his when he stands; comfort her/his when discouraged or sorrowful; raise her/his up if she/he falls; and in her/his heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of her/his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Safe Travel

Living God, the creator of all there is and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround him/her with your loving care; guard him/her from all that may harm them; and bring him/her in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for an Anniversary

God of peace, your love is generous and reaches out to hold us all in your embrace. We pray now for this/these couple(s) who is committed to each other in love. Fill their hearts with tenderness. Stay with them as they travel through good times, through trouble, or through change. Bless their home, their partings and their meetings. Make them worthy of each other's best, and tender with each other's dreams, and trusting only in their love. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for a Special Blessing or Event

Praise to you, abundant God, for when we ask, you give; when we seek, you show the way; When we knock, you answer. Praise to you for _____. Praise to you for your unfailing grace. Make us always your faithful people. *Amen.*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

On the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Province of West Africa.

On the St. Thomas Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Bishop's Committee, Buildings & Grounds Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Memorial Garden Team.

We pray especially for Our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishop John, and our Priest Sharon.
The world, especially the people of the United States, and for peace all over the world and wherever there is oppression or trouble.

Serving in the Armed Force at home and around the world: members of the U. S. Army: **Adam** and Boston; the U. S. Marine Corps: Sean, Adelangel and Jesse; the U. S. Air Force: Jordan, Joshua, and Carlos; the U. S. Navy: **Jonathan** and the U. S. Coast Guard: **Jennifer** and Corey.

The protection and guidance of Parishioners and Friends: Bertha, Ariana, Alyssa, Ana, Deb, Joey and his mothers Beth and Jan, Penny and her family, Chris and his family, Daniel, Becky, Sandra, Alex, Josef, Brandon, Rosie, Nathan, Paul, Gayle's doctor, Patricia's children, Sarah S., Ginny, Charlene, baby Jordan's family, Melissa, Doreen, and Pam.

The healing of Parishioners and friends: **Karen, Liz, Carlene, Samantha, Patrick, Allyson, Allen, Joanne, Rosie, Jim, Bill, Lillian,** Linda M., Diana, Susanne, Ana, Rae Ann, Kathy, Linda O., Gingi, Becky, Michael, Kathryn, Asgeir and Rosa, Eric, Mary Ellen, Beverly, Paige, Diane, Toni, Pat, Harper, Lessa, Jane, Laura, Tori, Lance, Karen, Terry, Jared, Scott, Jeff, Jim L., Lu, Richard, Cindy, Jason, Gayle, Lori, Nancy W., Janice, Patricia B., Carolyn, Carmen, Ruben, David F., Melanie, David, Jessica, Patrick, Patricia, Russ, Amanda, Vivian, Kenobi, Eduardo, Bishop Curry, Stacey D., Wilver, Belinda, Bill, Jace, Rick F., Larry F., Suzanne M., Antoinette, Ron, Jean H., Susan K., Marty, Carnell, Diane B., Linda S., Karen A., Deborah W., Karissa, Jim C. and support for all families and friends caring for loved ones, the people of Ukraine, India, Vietnam, Peru, Nigeria, Haiti, Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Sudan, Myanmar and all parishioners and friends with health problems.

Homebound and Special Needs: **Karen, Samantha** and the homeless, the poor and the unemployed, affordable housing for families, the end of COVID-19, Ebola, AIDS, and Cancer in the world, and for those suffering from mental illness.

UPCOMING SERVICES AND FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

MARCH 28-29, 9:00pm-10:00am: Overnight Vigil *at St. Thomas*

MARCH 29, 12 noon: Good Friday "Stations of the Crosswalk" *from St. Thomas to St. Gregory's*

MARCH 29, 7:00pm: Good Friday Liturgy *at St. Gregory's*

MARCH 31, 7am & 10:15am: Easter Sunday Festive Eucharist

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