



The absence of God ... is often so deeply felt that it leads to a new sense of God's presence.

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Reaching Out

ST. LUKE'S ON THE LAKE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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*BCP=BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER [BLUE]

+ HYMNAL [RED]

ILLUMINATIONS FOR TODAY'S LESSONS

1 Samuel 16:1-13 God surprises his prophet Samuel by sending him to anoint the youngest son of a large family to be the new king. He protects Samuel in this work despite reasonable fear of death by King Saul.

Ephesians 5:8-14 God has come into the world through the person of Jesus Christ, bringing light and redemption to every corner of the globe.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

PROCESSIONAL *Word of God Speak*

Stand as you are able

*I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's okay
The last thing I need is to be heard
But to hear what You would say*

Chorus:

*Word of God speak
Would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty
To be still and know
That You're in this place
Please let me stay and rest
In Your holiness
(Word of God speak)*

*I'm finding myself in the midst of You
Beyond the music beyond the noise
All that I need is to be with You
And in the quiet hear Your voice*

Chorus (sing twice)

*I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's okay*

OPENING ACCLAMATION FOR LENT

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People *His mercy endures forever.*

Celebrant

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 TRISAGION [*say three times*]

*Holy God, Holy and Mighty Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Remain standing or kneel as you are able

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS *[refer to p. 3 for Illuminations]*

Be seated

The First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

¹The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” ²Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’” ³Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” ⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” ⁵He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is now before the LORD.” ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” ¹⁰Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” ¹¹Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” ¹²He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” ¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm will be recited responsively by whole verse. The congregation's responses are in bold italics. Stand as you are able.

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

²***He makes me lie down in green pastures ****

and leads me beside still waters.

³He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

⁴***Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,***

I shall fear no evil; *

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

⁶***Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, ****

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

The Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

⁸Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—⁹for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; ¹³but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!

Rise from the dead,

and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

THE GOSPEL

Be seated

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

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

John 9:1-41

¹As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” ³Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor

his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." ¹²They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" ²⁰His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; ²¹but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." ²²His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. ²³Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." ²⁶They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" ²⁷He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" ²⁸Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." ³⁰The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. ³³If this man were

not from God, he could do nothing.”³⁴ They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

³⁵ Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?”³⁶ He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.”³⁷ Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.”³⁸ He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him.³⁹ Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.”⁴⁰ Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?”⁴¹ Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON

Fr. Justin Yawn

Be seated

THE NICENE CREED

Stand as you are able

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven*

*and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

INVITATION TO THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE [FORM IV] *Remain standing or kneel as you are able
The Reader leads prayer; the People respond as indicated:*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land (especially Donald, our president, and Greg, our governor) and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; including all brave civilian and military personnel serving our country (especially Amos, Isabelle, Phillip, Scott, Brian, Russell, Travis, Joe, Jacob, Christine, Christopher, Raymond, Marshall, Jason, Christine, Trev, Weston, and Mark); that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours and grant that we may serve Christ in them,
and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (especially those on our parish prayer list); and remembering our brothers and sisters who risk their lives to share your gospel, and those known in our hearts, either silently shared or spoken aloud; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died (especially Ben Montes, godchild and grandnephew of Anne Steichen; and Jim Slaughter, father of Pat Beachy), that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People say together

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 ABSOLUTION

Celebrant

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

THE PEACE

Stand as you are able

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

BIRTHDAY & WEDDING ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

Be seated

Welcome & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY *It Is Well* [*please click here to give on-line:*

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DOXOLOGY #380, V.3

Stand as you are able

*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 GREAT THANKSGIVING [EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C]

Celebrant The Lord 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 him thanks and praise.*

The Celebrant continues; the People respond as indicated:

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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.

By your will they were created and have their being.

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.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

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.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

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:

THE SANCTUS

***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 CONSECRATION OF THE BREAD & THE WINE

The Celebrant continues

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.***

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; 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.

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.**

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

Celebrant and People say together

***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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Stand or kneel as you are able

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People say together

***Almighty and everliving God,
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
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 for ever. Amen.*

THE SOLEMN PRAYER

THE RECESSIONAL #686 Come thou font of every blessing

Stand as you are able

*Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,
mount of God's unchanging love.*

*Here I find my greatest treasure;
hither, by thy help, I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.*

*Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.*

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

WORSHIP MINISTERS

Celebrants: *Fr. Justin Yawn, Fr. Jim Cook*
Readers: *Barbara Frazzell, Brad Powell* | Music: *Glen Meloy*
Technology Support: *Barbara Frazzell, Brad Powell*
Altar Guild: *Team 2 led by Peggy Klema*
Vestry: *Colin Kirk & Christie Diver*
Cover Artwork: *Sandy Carlman*

PARISH PRAYER LIST

[Call Parish Secretary Mary Miner at (512) 266-2455, to add yourself or a loved one to this list.]

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially:

These Groups: Community First Village; Prison Ministries; Malawi Community of Hope; Order of St. Luke the Physician Prayer Servants and Intercessors; Honduras Good Works; our St. Luke's workers in the field: K & K & children, & V.B..

These Members and Loved Ones Serving Our Country, Especially: Amos N., Jr., Isabelle, Phillip, Scott, Brian Beachy, Russell Butler, Travis Cook, Joe Cresto, Jacob Daniel, Christine Felice, Christopher Foote, Raymond Garcia, Marshall Harris, Jason T. Liddell, Christine McDonnell, Trev Moncure, Weston Turner, Mark Wilmot.

For Those Whose Needs Have Been Made Known To Us: Beck, Beverly, Breese, Caitlin, Craig, George, Johanna, Karen, Julia, Linda, Margaret, Mark, Sarah Jane, Terri, Carmen Ackermann, August Buchanan, Danny Cashion, Steve Child, Pat Compton, Rachel Dacke, Barbara Doebner, John Ebert, John Fibiger, Corinne Grant, Chris Greene, Nelle Hahn, John Harper, Ted & JoAnne Imhof, Kristi Leazer, Vicki McPherson, Chris Miner, Michael Mohle, Bill Moses, Michael & Kelly Murley, Anita O'Neil, Deborah O'Neil, Dick Pearson, George & Diane Power, T.J. & Pat Reid, Jan Rollins, Gretchen Schriver, John Taylor, Marie Webster, Jeanne Weeks, Marilyn Zwicker; the Beachy family; the Boggs family, the Cox family; the Linda B. Johnson family; the David Nelson family; the Steichen family.

For Those Who Have Died: Ben Montes, godchild and grandnephew of Anne Steichen; Jim Slaughter, father of Pat Beachy.