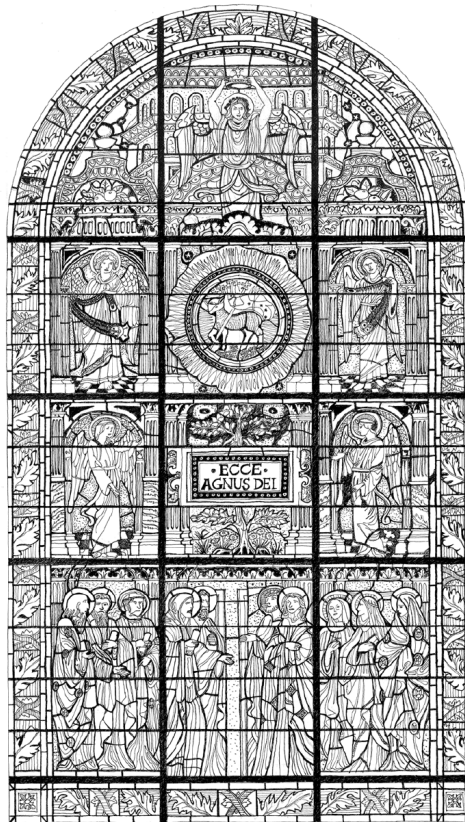


# ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
MARCH 30, 2025 • 10:30 A.M.



# WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest*,  
to all who mourn *and long for comfort*,  
to all who struggle *and desire victory*,  
to all who sin *and need a Savior*,  
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship*,  
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness*,  
to all who have been blessed *and wish to give thanks*,  
and to whoever will come—*this church opens wide her doors*  
*and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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**Headsets for the hard of hearing** are available in the video/sound booth at the end of the north side aisle. The ListenWifi app is available for use with Bluetooth hearing aids.

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30 A.M.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Aria

Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

THE INTROIT

Remember Not, Lord, Our Offenses

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Remember not, Lord, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers;  
Neither take thou vengeance of our sins, but spare us, good Lord,  
Spare thy people whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood,  
And be not angry with us forever; spare us, good Lord.

Text: from *The Litany, The Book of Common Prayer, 1662*. Music: Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

## THE WORD OF GOD

*The People are invited to stand and sing the opening hymn.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

God Is Love

*Abbot's Leigh*

God is Love, let heaven adore him; God is love, let earth rejoice;  
Let creation sing before him and exalt him with one voice.  
God who laid the earth's foundation, God who spread the heavens above,  
God who breathes through all creation: God is Love, eternal Love.

God is Love; and love enfolds us, all the world in one embrace:  
With unfailing grasp God holds us, every child of every race.  
And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod,  
Then we find that selfsame aching deep within the heart of God.

God is Love; and though with blindness sin afflicts all human life,  
God's eternal loving-kindness guides us through our earthly strife.  
Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain;  
God is Love, so Love for ever o'er the universe must reign.

Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt.

Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (b. 1907)

THE ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 105

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*People* ***His mercy endureth forever.***

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, p. 106

*The Celebrant prays*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,  
and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

## THE DECALOGUE

BCP, p. 100

*Celebrant* God spake these words and said; I am the Lord thy God.  
Thou shalt have none other gods but me.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Thou shalt not make for thyself any graven image.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Honor thy father and thy mother.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Thou shalt do no murder.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Thou shalt not commit adultery.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Thou shalt not steal.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***  
*Celebrant* Thou shalt not covet.  
*People* ***Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, thy laws, in our hearts, we beseech thee.***

## THE KYRIE

BCP, page 106

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*People* ***Christ, have mercy upon us.***  
*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, page 107

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* ***And with thy spirit.***  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All kneel.*

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. ***Amen.***

*The People are seated for the reading of God's Word.*

## THE LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

<sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup> that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup> Therefore, we are ambassadors

for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.<sup>21</sup> For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

*The People are invited to stand and sing the gradual hymn.*

THE GRADUAL HYMN 341      Beneath the Cross of Jesus

*St. Christopher*

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,  
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noon-tide heat, and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eyes at times can see  
The very dying form of one who suffered there for me;  
And from my smitten heart with tears, two wonders I confess:  
The wonders of redeeming love, and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;  
Content to let my pride go by, to know no gain nor loss,  
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

Words: Elizabeth Cecilia Clephane. Music: *St. Christopher*, Frederick C. Maker

THE GOSPEL

Luke 15:11-32

*The People remain standing. The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

*People* **Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.**

<sup>11</sup> Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons; <sup>12</sup> and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. <sup>13</sup> Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. <sup>14</sup> And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. <sup>15</sup> So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. <sup>16</sup> And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants."' <sup>20</sup> And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; <sup>23</sup> and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; <sup>24</sup> for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. <sup>25</sup> Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father

has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.’<sup>28</sup> But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him,<sup>29</sup> but he answered his father, ‘Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends.’<sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!’<sup>31</sup> And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours.’<sup>32</sup> It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.”

*After the Gospel, the Priest says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People   **Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.***

THE SERMON

*A Father's Extravagant Love*

The Rev. William K. Christian III

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, page 144

*All stand and say in unison*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*All kneeling, the Celebrant or other person appointed says the prayers found on page 128 of the BCP.*

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For Steve, our Archbishop, and Chip, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. We pray thy blessing on our home and world missions: Hope to Home Ministries, Lowcountry Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Lowcountry Pregnancy Center, Star Gospel Mission, Water Mission and the Global Water Center, our mission partners in Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Rwanda and Uganda, and for the unreached and those across the world who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially the President of the United States, the members of Congress, and the Justices of the Supreme Court. And we commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, especially *those on our parish prayer list*. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially *those on our parish prayer list*. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially \_\_\_\_\_], in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

*The Reader concludes with this Collect.*

Grant these our prayers, O Heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence may be kept.*

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

BCP, page 112

*People and Celebrant*

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Priest stands alone and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. JOHN 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: and he is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. JOHN 2:1-2

*All stand.*

## THE PEACE

BCP, page 114

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

I Will Arise

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

I will arise and go to my Father, and will say unto him,  
“Father, I have sinned against heaven and before thee,  
And am no more worthy to be called thy son.”

Text: Luke 15:18-19. Music: Charles Wood (1866-1926) Public domain.

*All are invited to stand and sing the Doxology.*

### DOXOLOGY, HYMN 189 (s. 1)

And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love

*Unde et Memores*

And now, O Father, mindful of the love that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,  
And having with us him that pleads above, we here present, we here spread forth to thee,  
That only offering perfect in thine eyes, the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Words: The Rev. William Bright (1874). Tune: *Unde et Memores*, Public Domain.

### THE SURSUM CORDA

BCP, page 115

*The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

***And with thy spirit.***

*Celebrant*

Lift up your hearts.

*People*

***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People*

***It is meet and right so to do.***

*All remain standing as the Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. The People are invited to sing*

### THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

John Merbecke (c. 1510–c. 1585)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High,  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord,  
Hosanna in the highest.

*All kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer on page 116, concluding with*

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, page 118

*People and Celebrant*

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 PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP, page 119

*People and Celebrant*

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table; but thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

*Remaining kneeling, all are invited to sing the Agnus Dei.*

## THE AGNUS DEI

J. Merbecke

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion at the high altar or the standing stations in either one kind (bread only) or both kinds (bread and wine). You may stand or kneel to receive Communion. To receive the bread in the traditional way, please place your right palm over your left and the bread will be placed in your palm. You may consume the bread and drink from the chalice (please grasp the bottom of the chalice firmly and guide it to your mouth), or you may leave the bread in your palm and then dip it into the wine when the chalice is brought to you. Those who are not baptized or do not wish to receive Communion (including children who do not yet receive) are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*

***The St. Philip's Prayer Team is available at this time. If you would like someone to pray with you, please see them in either side aisle by the large doors.***

COMMUNION HYMN

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

Thompson



1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for you and for me;
2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for you and for me?
3. O for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for you and for me!



see, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing, watch - ing for you and for me.  
 Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies, mer - cies for you and for me?  
 Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don, par - don for you and for me.



Come home, come home, ye who are wea - ry, come home;



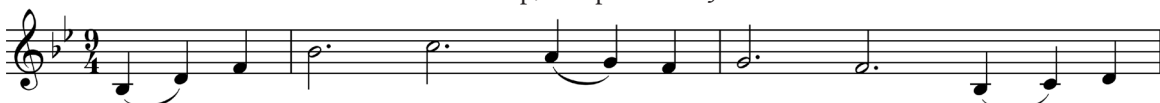
ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly, Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, O sin - ner, come home!

Text: Will Thompson (1847-1909)  
 Music: THOMPSON, Will Thompson

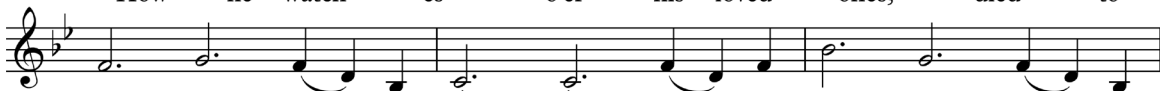
COMMUNION HYMN

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Bunessan



1. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast un -
2. Un - der - neath me, all a - round me, is the
3. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus, spread his
4. How he watch - es o'er his loved ones, died to



meas - ured, bound - less, free! Roll - ing as a might - y  
 cur - rent of thy love; lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing  
 praise from shore to shore! How\_ he lov - eth, ev - er  
 call them all his own; how\_ for them he in - ter -



o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me.  
 home - ward, to my glo - rious rest a - bove.  
 lov - eth, chang - eth nev - er, nev - er - more.  
 ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.

Text: Samuel Trevor Francis (1834-1925)

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic folk tune, arr. B. Wayne Bisbee (b. 1934) © 1982 Hope Publishing Co. Used by permission. OneLicense.net A-743062

## COMMUNION HYMN

## There Is a Hope

Edwards, Townsend

1. There is a hope that burns with - in my heart, that gives me  
 2. There is a hope that lifts my wea - ry head, a con - so -  
 3. There is a hope that stands the test of time, that lifts my  
 strength for eve - ry pass - ing day; a glimpse of  
 la - tion strong a - gainst de - spair; that when the  
 eyes be - yond the beck - oning grave to see the  
 glo - ry now re - vealed in mea - ger part, yet drives all doubt a -  
 world has plunged me in its deep - est pit, I find the Sav - ior  
 match - less beau - ty of a day di - vine, when I be - hold His  
 way: I stand in Christ, with sins for - given and  
 there! Through pres - ent suf - ferings, fu - ture's fear, He  
 face! When suf - ferings cease, and sor - rows die, and  
 Christ in me, the hope of heaven; my high - est call - ing and my  
 whis - pers, "Cour - age!" in my ear; for I am safe in e - ver -  
 ev - ery long - ing sat - is - fied, then joy un - speak - a - ble will  
 deep - est joy, to make His will my home.  
 last - ing arms, and they will lead me home.  
 flood my soul, for I am tru - ly home.

Words and music by Mark Edwards and Stuart Townsend

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## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, page 120

*Kneeling, the People join in saying this prayer*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us, thereby, of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works that thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

BCP, page 121

*After the blessing, all are invited to stand and sing the closing hymn.*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Amazing Grace

*New Britain*

*All sing: **Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.***

*All sing: **'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!***

*All sing: **The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.***

*Choir only: Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.*

*All sing: **When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.***

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt.; st. 5, from A Collection of Sacred Ballads, 1790; compiled by Richard Broadbuss and Andrew Broadbuss. Music: *New Britain*, from Virginia Harmony, 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851-921); harm. Austin Cole Lovelace (b. 1919)

## THE DISMISSAL

*The Priest dismisses the People, and the People respond: **Thanks be to God.***

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Toccata on *Amazing Grace*

J. Christopher Pardini (b. 1973)

# SERVING IN WORSHIP

## **Preacher**

The Rev. William K. Christian III

## **Ushers**

Gregg Lancaster, Jason Ayers, Tripp Hathaway,  
Jeff Walters, David Wright

## **Greeters**

Catherine Chapman, Polly Dickson

## **Lector**

Sallie York

## **Chalice**

Bill Stafford, Ken Humphries,  
Jeffrey Fitzgerald, Arthur Grimball

## **Acolyte Mentor**

Cordes Ford

## **Acolytes**

Simon Ford, Wright Ghegan, Graceanna Hare, Palmer Lancaster,  
Henson Norvell, Ford Norvell, Estelle York, Robin York

## **Prayer Teams**

Tammy Gottshalk and Frenchie Richards,  
Garden Frampton and Mickey Hampshire

## **Altar Guild**

Elizabeth Bowles, Betsy Grimball

## **Flower Guild**

Cordes Simpson

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our Monthly Men's Lunch** is this Wednesday, April 2, at noon in the Parish Hall. All men of the community are invited to come enjoy a delicious meal and hear testimony from Senior Warden David Wright, retired army officer and investment/merchant baker, and founder and CEO of an oil and gas exploration company.

**Tea Room Volunteer Sign-Up Is Open!** We will be offering Lowcountry lunches and delicious desserts 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily May 5–9, and if you have a favorite “job,” go ahead and put your name down now using the QR code at right or by visiting [saintphilips.church/volunteers-tea-room](http://saintphilips.church/volunteers-tea-room). Plus, we are looking for gift shop items! Visit the volunteer page for ideas, and email Cassie Nagel ([cassiepeytonconnor@gmail.com](mailto:cassiepeytonconnor@gmail.com)) if you have gift shop questions.



**A St. Philip's Academy Open Information Session** is Monday, April 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor, and we are pleased to announce that Andrew Hagood of Willis Hagood Construction will also be taking the group on a tour of the school building! All parents, especially those interested in enrolling their child(ren) in 4K or kindergarten at St. Philip's Academy for the 2025-2026 academic year, are invited to attend. Please register using the QR code. Questions? Email Primary School Director Trisha Reese at [stpacademy@stpphilipschurchsc.org](mailto:stpacademy@stpphilipschurchsc.org).



**ECW Spring Fellowship:** Every Church Woman is invited to attend a flower arranging workshop with master gardener Sandy Pait on Tuesday, April 8, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. For details and to let us know you're coming, please scan the QR code at right or visit [saintphilips.churchcenter.com/registrations](http://saintphilips.churchcenter.com/registrations).



**Easter Flower Memorial** and thanksgiving information is due by Friday, April 11, for inclusion in the Easter bulletins. Visit [saintphilips.church/easter-flower-memorials](http://saintphilips.church/easter-flower-memorials) or scan the QR code at right to submit your information and make a donation. Forms are also available in the narthex and church office.



**The Easter Egg Hunt** for children in fifth grade and younger is Saturday, April 12, at 10:00 a.m. on the Parish House lawn. Please register your egg hunters, and remember to BYOB (bring your own basket)!

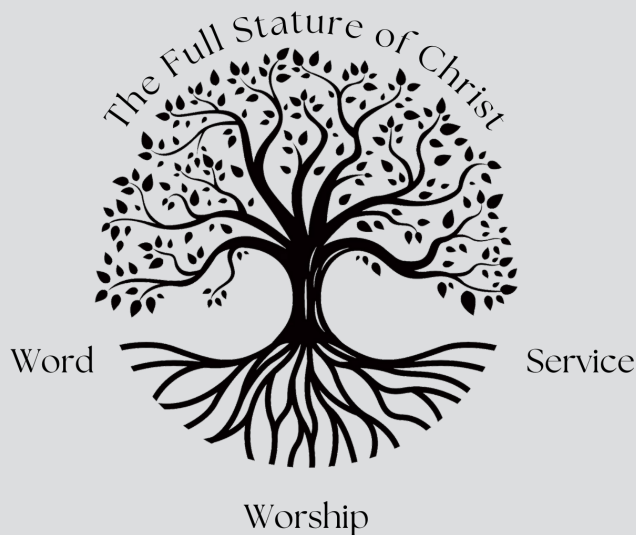


## Important Dates:

- **April 3** ~ Grandparents@Prayer monthly drop-in (11:00–11:45 a.m. in the Chapel)
- **April 13** ~ Palm Sunday (services at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m., Choral Evensong at 4:00 p.m.)
- **April 14–16** ~ Holy Week services (8:00 a.m.)
- **April 17** ~ Maundy Thursday (6:00 p.m. service)
- **April 18** ~ Good Friday (noon service, 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross, weather permitting)
- **April 19** ~ Saturday Serve: Star Gospel Mission (9:00 a.m.)
- **April 20** ~ Easter Day (services at 6:30, 9:00, and 11:15 a.m.)
- **April 27** ~ Youth Confirmation (during the 10:30 service, reception to follow)
- **April 28** ~ Lowcountry FCA Annual Banquet ([lowcountryfca.org/spring-banquet](http://lowcountryfca.org/spring-banquet))
- **June 9–12** ~ Vacation Bible School (VBS, registration opens after Easter)

*For further details and for registrations, please visit [saintphilips.church/events](http://saintphilips.church/events)  
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# St. Philip's Tree of Life



We are disciples of Christ, and for us to foster a personal relationship with him, become mature Christians, and grow into the full stature of Christ, we engage in ALL of the following—please join us!

- weekly or twice-weekly corporate worship (making the Lord's Day a priority)
- weekly Sunday Christian formation (e.g. Rector's Forum, Sunday School)
- weekly corporate Bible study (Rector's Bible Study and/or small group)
- daily prayer and study of God's Word
- service to the church (lay ministry, missions, etc., plus tithing)
- Christian fellowship (e.g. foyer group, Theology on Tuesdays)
- making disciples (sharing the faith)

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## RESOURCES

The Rector's current recommendations for daily devotionals and online resources are available at:

[saintphilips.churchcenter.com/pages/resources](http://saintphilips.churchcenter.com/pages/resources)





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8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday  
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The Rev. Andrew R. O'Dell, *Senior Associate*  
The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy, *Assistant for Hospitality Ministry*  
The Rev. William K. Christian III, *Assistant for Pastoral Care*  
The Rev. Justin C. Hare, *Assistant for Young Adult and Family Ministry*  
The Rev. Dr. William P. Rhett, *Priest Associate*  
The Rev. Gerry L. McCord, *Deacon*  
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