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The Fourth Sunday in Lent



The Episcopal Diocese of San Joaquin

# Holy Eucharist: Rite II

## “A Word on Worship” & Announcements

### Voluntary

### Opening Hymn- Hymnal #664 My Shepherd will supply my need

Please stand as able; (Procession)  
you may bow your  
head as the cross and  
the gospel process.

### Opening Acclamation

Remain standing as  
able. You may make  
the Sign of cross at ✠

**Presider:** Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. +  
**People:** **His mercy endures for ever.**

### Collect for Purity

Remain standing as  
able.

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.**

# Kyrie

*Lord have mercy,  
Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy.*

*Cantor or Choir*

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

*All*

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

*Cantor or Choir*

Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

*All*

Chri - ste c - le - i - son.

*Cantor or Choir* *All*

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri -

e e - le - i - son.

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## The Collect of the Day

*Remain standing as able*

**Presider:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Presider:** Let us pray.

*The Collect changes to reflect the lessons of the day. It "collects" the themes in one prayer.*

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 Liturgy of the Word

### Reading from the First Book of Samuel (1 Samuel 16:1-13)

Please be seated

The 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.” Samuel 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.’ Invite 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.” Samuel 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?” He 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.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the LORD.” But 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.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.”

Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel 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.” He 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.” Then 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# The Psalm (Psalm 23)

Remain seated

## Antiphon

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! *(Last time)*

## *Dominus regit me*

- 1 The 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.
- 3 He 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.
- 5 You 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 for ever.

## Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Ephesians (Ephesians 5:8-14)

Remain seated.

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

“Sleeper, awake!  
Rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn – Hymnal #440 Blessed Jesus, at thy word

### The Gospel

Stand as able, facing the Gospel.

You may bow your head and make sign of cross + on forehead, lips, and heart.

Remain standing and listen reverently to the Gospel being proclaimed.

**Deacon or Presider:**

✦ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (John 9:1-41)

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

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The 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?” Some were

saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He 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.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then 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.” Some 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. So 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.”

The 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 and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but 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.” His 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. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So 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.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He 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?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does

not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

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

You may bow your head at the words “O Christ.”

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

## Sermon – The Reverend Deacon Nancy Key

Remain seated

## The Nicene Creed

### Presider and People:

Stand as 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.**

May bow head at words “Jesus Christ”

**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.**

May bow head at words "... came down from heaven/ by the power of the Holy Spirit" until "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.**

## The Prayers of the People

Remain standing as able.

The period of silence after each bidding is a time for you to offer your own prayers.

You may pray silently, but as indicated you are encouraged to speak your prayers aloud, at the appropriate time so they become prayers of the congregation.

O God, by your Word you marvelously carry out the work of love and reconciliation: Grant that our Lenten fast may reflect our penitence and faithful devotion to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

God of all creation, we pray for your whole church, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, David our Bishop and all diocesan clergy, that trusting in your abundant mercy, they may lead your people in prayerful repentance, seeking your forgiveness. We especially remember the clergy and congregation of St. Matthew's in San Andreas, as they make their Lenten fast. Create in me a clean heart, O God,

***and renew a right spirit within me.***

God of love and mercy, we ask your guidance for leaders of this and all nations, that they may reflect your love in their words and actions, and that all creation may fulfill your dream of beloved community. Create in me a clean heart, O God,

***and renew a right spirit within me.***

God of all righteousness, we know that grace and truth begin with us at St. James. May you be our guiding light, that all who worship with us find a deeper relationship with you, loving one another and all whom we touch through our ministry. Create in me a clean heart, O God,

***and renew a right spirit within me.***

God of all blessings, make your presence known to those preparing for baptism and confirmation, that through the waters of baptism and the breath of the Holy Spirit they may make their prayerful commitment to you. Create in me a clean heart, O God,

***and renew a right spirit within me.***

Healing God, in this holy season of Lent, our hearts seek your grace and comfort. We pray for all who bear the burdens of illness, pain, and sorrow, *especially those we now name silently or aloud*. We ask your divine healing for these your children, and pray that they may know your presence. Create in me a clean heart, O God,

***and renew a right spirit within me.***

Redeemer God, through your love and mercy you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life. We pray for all those who have died, remembering especially those we now name (*please offer your prayers, silently or aloud*). Comfort those who grieve, that they may be assured of your promise of resurrection. Create in me a clean heart, O God,

***and renew a right spirit within me.***

*The Presider adds a concluding collect.*

## Confession of Sin

Deacon or Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Presider 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 Presider stands and says*

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

All remain standing as able.

**Presider:** The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

(Greet one another with signs of peace)

## Offertory Sentence

All remain standing as able.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## Choir Anthem - The Remembering, American Folk Melody

Arranged By: Joseph M. Martin

## Doxology (Hymnal #380, v. 3)

The congregation stands as able for the presentation of the gifts.

**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.**

**Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Eucharistic Prayer A

All rise and stand as able throughout the Eucharistic Prayer.

**Presider** The Lord be with you.

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

**Presider** Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds*

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; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

The people may bow heads at “Holy, Holy, Holy.”

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

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*The people may stand or kneel. The Presider 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.

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*

You may make the sign of the cross + at “Sanctify us to your Son in his sacrifice...”

The final “Amen” (“so be it”) is the people’s “Yes!”-- making it the prayer of all, thanking God for all that God has done, especially for the gift of Christ’s presence in the Eucharist and in us as Christ’s Body in the world.

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.**

## The Lord’s Prayer

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

### **Presider 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 Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

**Presider:** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**grant us peace.**

*Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation:*

All say together.

The gifts of God for the people of God take them in remembrance to Christ died for you and feed on them in your heart by faith with Thanksgiving.

You may stand or kneel as the Gifts are prepared and servers receive. Returning to your seat after receiving, you may kneel and/or be seated. You may make the sign of the cross before or after you receive communion.

**THOSE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:**

All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion. It is the custom to come forward and place the palm of one hand in the other to receive the bread. Please tell the clergy distributing communion if you prefer a gluten free wafer.

**FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO RECEIVE A BLESSING IN LIEU OF COMMUNION:**

It is the custom to come forward and to fold your arms across your chest in an X-fashion, which indicates that you are not receiving the sacrament. The Priest will offer a prayer of blessing for you.

## Communion Hymns

Hymn #1 – Hymnal #645 The King of love my shepherd is

Hymn #2 – Arise, Shine

A - rise, shine, for your light has come, and the

A - rise, shine for your light has come, and the

glo - ry of the Lord has dawned up - on you. A

glo - ry of the Lord has dawned up - on you. A

## Post Communion Prayer

All stand as able

**Presider and People:**

**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.**

## Birthday/Anniversary Blessing

Please be seated or come forward as you are able for a blessing if you have a recent or upcoming birthday or anniversary.

**O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Blessing

All stand as able. You may make the sign of the cross at the words "in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit."

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## Processional Hymn – Hymnal #490 I want to walk as a child of the light

Remain standing as able. You may bow your head as the cross + and the Gospel book pass near you in procession.

## The Dismissal

Please stand as able.

**Deacon or Presider:**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People:**

**Thanks be to God.**

## Serving Today

### President

The Very Reverend Samuel Colley-Toothaker

### Deacon of the Liturgy

The Reverend Deacon Jessica Harmon

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