# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER



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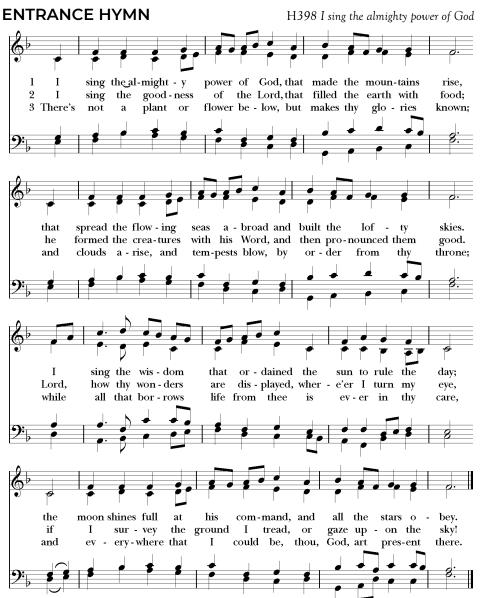
THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT APRIL 6, 2025 9 AM Preschool and elementary aged children are invited to Donuts & Jesus in the chapel. They will return to their families in the sanctuary for communion.

Please stand as you are able for the singing of the Entrance Hymn.

Those who wish to do so bow in reverence to acknowledge God's presence as the cross passes by. **PRELUDE** Piece No. 1 in C C. Franck

# **WELCOME**

# LITURGY OF THE WORD



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### A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Officiant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Celebrant Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

The Deacon then says
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

# **ABSOLUTION**

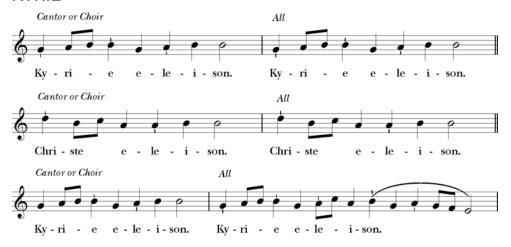
Officiant

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.** 

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Jesus' summary of the Law (from Matthew 22:37-40) has been included at the outset of Episcopal services since 1789. It orients our worship and our life in the necessity of Love.

### **KYRIE**



### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated for the Readings.

# FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. Behold, I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### THE RESPONSE

Psalm 126



- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of 'Zion, \* then were we /like those 'who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with 'laughter, \* and our tongue / with shouts 'of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the 'nations, \*
  "The LORD has done / great things 'for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things 'for us, \* and we /are glad 'indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, 'O LORD, \* like the watercourses /of the 'Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed 'with tears \* will reap /with songs 'of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying 'the seed, \* will come again with joy, should/dering 'their sheaves.

# **SECOND LESSON**

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Iesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize

of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able for the singing of the Sequence Hymn

The Gospel procession into the congregation reminds us that Jesus came among us.



All face the reader.

THE GOSPEL John 12:1-8

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

# **SEQUENCE HYMN**

LEVAS 89, v. 3

# THE HOMILY

There will be a pause for silent reflection immediately following the homily.

# THE NICENE CREED

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,

The Nicene Creed is the most ancient and important corporate confession of our faith. We are joining ourselves to the great heritage of the holy (of God) catholic (universal) and apostolic (witnessing to the resurrection) church down through the centuries.

This heritage is vaster, richer, and more mysterious than any one individual can understand, but we, as the community of the members of the Body of Christ, share and commit ourselves to it.

Prayer is offered with intercession for: The Universal Church, its members, and its mission: the Nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world; the concerns of the local community; those who suffer and those in any trouble; and the departed (with commemoration of a saint when appropriate). Having heard the word of God and having prayed for

others we are led to

amendment of life.

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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor God of hope, help us who struggle in our daily life and work.

People When we lose our purpose,

renew our remembrance of you.

When we bow to hatred,

Renew our trust in you.

When we take offense at others,

Renew our life in you.

When we compromise our values,

Renew our faith in you.

When we cherish regrets,

Renew our freedom in you.

When we surrender to sorrow,

Renew our joy in you.

As we accept your love, ever new, and offer our prayers to you:

Here, the people may add particular intercessions or thanksgivings.

Hold us, and all people, in your loving care,

And may we be hope for others.

The celebrant concludes

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY** Call to remembrance

# **PRESENTATION HYMN**

Praise God from whom all blessing flow:
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

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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 God thanks and praise.

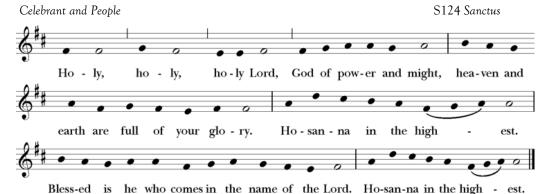
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over evil, and to live no longer for ourselves 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 Peace is an extension of Christian greeting and teaching. It symbolizes our intent to forgive as we are forgiven, to live in peace—shalom, harmony—with all persons.

The offertory sentence reminds us that our offerings are our response to God's care and nurture.

Please stand as you are able.

The Sursum Corda (Lift up your hearts) is a form of introduction to prayer handed down over the Centuries. This dialogue is the invitation to the people to join in the Eucharistic offering, to raise minds and hearts to "things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God."



The people may stand or kneel, 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.

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.

The Institution
Narrative recalls
the particular
mighty act that is
the focus of the
service: the gift of
Christ's body and
blood to be our
spiritual food and
drink
(1 Corinthians
11:23-26,
Matthew 26:2628,
Mark 14:22-24.

Luke 22:19-20).

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We ask that the Holy Spirit sanctify (bless or make holy) the bread and wine and also us who are to receive the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

Because it gives our assent ("So be it") to all the Eucharistic Prayer, the people's response is called the Great Amen.

If you wish to receive the breadthe body of Christ, blease come to the altar and hold out your hand to take the bread. You may eat the bread immediately, and if you wish to receive the wine from the chalice. blease assist the chalice to your libs for a sip of wine. You may also leave the bread in your hand and dip it in the wine.

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, *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.

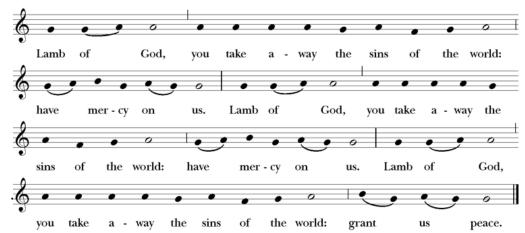
Give us this day our daily bread.

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.

# **FRACTION ANTHEM**



If you wish to receive the bread only, please know it is the historic position of the Church that receiving one of the elements is sufficient to complete communion.

If a Lay
Eucharistic Visitor
will take
communion to
those not with us,
the first
postcommunion
prayer is said.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

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 ANTHEM** In Paradisum by G. Faure

### **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYERS**

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I

send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread,

one cup.

Celebrant Let us pray.

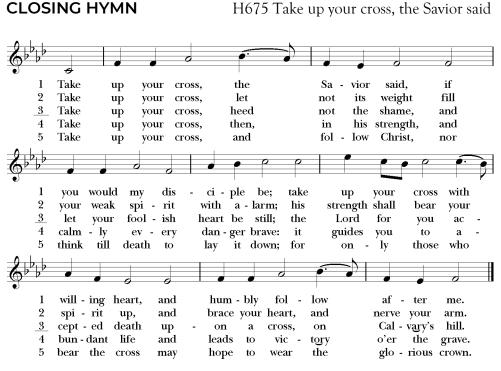
All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, 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.

# A SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Bow your head before the Lord.

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Please stand as you are able for the singing of the Closing Hymn.



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The dismissal asserts the relationship between worship and living. It is a call to mission, a call to live the baptismal and Eucharistic life in the world.

# THE DISMISSAL

The people respond

People Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** 

Trumpet Tune in D

David N. Johnson

# PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant The Rev. Philip DeVaul

Preacher The Rev. Brooklin Taylor

Deacon The Rev. Gary Lubin

Acolytes Kieran Rodway, Quinn Rodway, Rhys Rodway

Sacristan Tom Kirkwood

Lector Kathy Krug

Lay Readers Andrea Rogers, reader; Ellen Reister; chalice

Intercessor Nancye Van Brunt

Ushers & Greeters Eric Mencarelli, Ed Polaski

Bread Guild Emily von Allmen

Musicians Church of the Redeemer Choir; Ningjing Wu, organist,

Dr. Brett Scott, choir director

Flower Guild Francie Morrison, Edie Zimmerman

Altar Guild Andrea Rogers, John Morabito, Patricia Kovach, Julia Joyce

# IN THANKSGIVING AND MEMORY

The flowers that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Katherine and Rachel by Betsy & Tom Schram.

# PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer!
We love the sound of kids in our service.
Here are some ideas to keep them engaged:

**Relax:** It's OK for kids to be kids. We offer coloring pages, worship bags, and books they can use during the service.

**Sit Close:** Consider sitting up front where it's easier for kids to see.

**Explain:** Kids are curious! Explain what's happening in the service.

**Participate:** Kids learn by mimicking what you do. So sing, pray, respond, etc. and kids will follow your lead.

**Wander:** It's OK to move around. Sometimes it's easier to let fidgety kids wander.

**Need to Leave?** No problem, there are spaces to take a break - kids need that sometimes. Come back when you're ready!

**Ask:** Questions or need help? Just ask our ushers.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."

**Matthew 19:14 NRSV** 

### WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

### VISITING OR CHECKING US OUT TODAY? THINKING OF JOINING?

Church of the Redeemer may be the place for you. Here's how to connect:

JOIN US for coffee and hospitality after the worship services in the Great Hall.

**ASK QUESTIONS** and join the Newcomer group at the Welcome Table, found in the Narthex (Lobby). If you like, sign-up for a name tag. Greeters, ushers, clergy, and friendly people would love to talk to you!

**CHILD CARE** is available in the Playroom for children (age 3 and younger) each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am through 12:15 pm. During 10:00 am education hour, children (age 3-6) may join Godly Play in the Playroom; (grades 1-4) are invited to Club CoR in the Great Hall (Cloister Side); (grades 5&6) gather in the Library for Middle CoR; and youth (grades 7-12) meet in the Youth Café in the upstairs kitchen.

Questions about family & children's programming? Contact our Minister for Family Discipleship, Tym House at tym@redeemer-cincy.org.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Nancy Schwartz, Director of Operations: nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org or 513.321.6700



Church of the Redeemer has at its center the love of God in Jesus Christ. We are nourished by this love, empowered by the knowledge that we belong to God unconditionally, and equipped by our church to share love and blessing with the world around us. The gift you make facilitates the blessing of our community and the spiritual nourishment of so many. You are contributing to practical ministries that are transforming lives every day. You are not paying the church back for what it is doing in your life, you are paying it forward to create

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**REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG** - As we gather together for worship today it is important to wear your nametag to help us all remember names or just meet for the first time. Don't have a nametag yet? Sign-up for one in the narthex/lobby near the entrance to the chapel. It will be ready for you next Sunday in the nametag cabinet.



**NEW TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER?** - Ready to learn more about our ministries? Considering membership? Use the QR code at the left to join our Newcomer group and receive information about ministries, events, membership and access to our CoR App.

**TODAY'S OFFERING** - We encourage you to give your offering electronically today through our CoR App. (Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system using the QR Code at right. There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering safely.



# **WEEKDAY SERVICES**

Wednesday: 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II

**PARKING:** Parking is on the street. Please pay attention to the signs indicating proper parking zones. Accessible parking is available in the front on Erie, in the back parking lot, and on the west side of Raymar.

ACCESSIBLE REDEEMER: The front entrance has a ramp and there is an elevator inside the back door and to the left. Accessible restrooms are located in the Lobby inside the front entrance. The nave is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Welcome to Church of the Redeemer! We have a vision of a worshipping community that **knows Jesus and grows in love.** A community that is **united** in relationships of holy connection and communion. A community **growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion. A community **inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us. A community **sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness. Come, join us on the journey.

### **CALENDAR**

Look for more details on events on our website: redeemer-cincy.org/connect/event-directory/

Church of the Redeemer offers a variety of worship, education, and fellowship events for all ages. A quick glance at our Events Page provides a look at both our recurring opportunities, as well as those special events we have throughout the year. You can access the church Events Page on our website under the Connect tab, on our CoR App using the Events button, and by using the QR code.



### VESTRY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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