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The Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 30th, 2014 - Year A

The Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. - Rite One

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Dismissal
Entrance Hymn  

"Eternal Lord of love…"  
Hymnal 149

A Penitential Order  

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Confession of Sin  

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Kyrie (Spoken)  

BCP 356

The Collect

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 Children’s Song

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

1. Children of the heavenly Father Safely in His bosom gather; Nestling bird nor star in heaven, Such a refuge ere was given.
2. God His own doth tend and nourish, In His holy courts they flourish; From all evil things He spares, In His mighty arms He bears them.

The First Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
People: Thanks be to God

**Psalm 23**  
*Dominus regit me*  
BCP 612

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.
The Epistle

Ephesians 5:8-14

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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Gradual

“Wilt thou forgive that sin” (1-2)

Hymnal 141

The Gospel

John 9:1-41

The People: Joyce to you, Lord Christ

As he walked along, Jesus 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."

The People: Praised to you, Lord Christ
Gradual
“Wilt thou forgive that sin” (3)  Hymnal 141

Homily  Canon C. David Evans

Nicene Creed  BCP 358

Prayers of the People -Form IV  BCP 388

Peace  BCP 360

† Holy Communion †

Choral Anthem
“The Saviour of the World”  By John Rasley

Doxology
“Praise to God” (stanza 3)  Hymnal 380

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer - Rite II - Prayer B  BCP 367

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) (Spoken)  BCP 367

The Lord's Prayer  BCP 364

Fraction  Agnes Dei (Spoken)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  Have mercy on us
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  Have mercy on us
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  Grant us peace

HOLY EUCHARIST is the best way we know to give thanks and to get strength. All baptized Christians of any denomination are encouraged to come to the altar rail to receive the blessed wine and bread. If you have not yet been baptized, please come to the altar rail with arms crossed to receive the blessing of the Church.

Post Communion Prayer / Blessing  BCP 365

Announcements

Dismissal Hymn  “Forty days and forty nights”  Hymnal 150

Dismissal  BCP 366

Postlude
*Assisting Today*

8:00 a.m. Eucharist: Peter Bean
10:00 a.m: Chalice 1: Chuck Brockway; Chalice 2: Carol Wardell; Lector 1/Psalm: Sue port; Lector 2: Carol Wardell; Intercessor: Martha Shippy; Crucifer: Sue Port; Server: Chuck Brockway; Hosts: Rick Balog & Carl Nelson, Breakfast: None This week: Coffee Hour: Margaret Burnham and Christi Dickey.

We thank those who have served this Sunday and have set the Lord’s Table: Mary Beth Dixon, Connie Dixon, Diane Podgorny, Christie Dickey

The flowers on the altar are given in glory to God in loving memory of the Whitney Family, Duff Family, and Spaller Family.

Attendance last week 8:00am – 19 10:00 a.m. - 68 Offering: $1,843

Announcements

Improv and Holy Texts at St. Thomas Episcopal 50 E. Bagley Rd.Berea, Oh 44017 Actor/writer John Poole, Rev. Stacy Alan, Find ways to retell faith stories in ways that connect to today. Sat. April 12, 2014 from 9:30-5:00 $15 phone 440-234-5241 or www.stthomas-berea.org

Prayer works miracles! Prayer is our 24 hour hotline. To start a prayer on the prayer chain, call Pat Hazeltine at 964-7742 or 440-319-0140, or email to plhazeltine@gmail.com. The church office can also be reached at 992-8100.

Coffee Hour Schedule: The church provides a celebratory birthday cake the 1st Sunday of each month. Help is needed on the remaining Sundays. Please select the Sunday you wish to host the coffee hour and write your name on the calendar in Parish Hall. Donations of coffee, sugar, coffee creamer, and coffee filters are appreciated and can be dropped off at the church office. Any questions? Please call Gina at 319-9981 with any questions.

2 Cents a Meal Collection is taking place throughout the Lenten season. Save your pennies – change the world! This is a spiritual practice of prayers and pennies and our way of trying to stop hunger in the world. Please place your coins in the small rectangular baskets on the tables in Parish Hall. At the end of Lent, half the monies will be sent to the Diocese to feed the hungry and half will be used locally. How many pennies can you stop spending? Any questions, talk with Carol Wardell.

Sunday morning breakfasts are served only on the 2nd (Grotto Group), 3rd (Nelson Group) and 4th Sundays (Melinda’s Group).

Volunteers are needed to do various jobs (i.e. shovel snow, windex mirrors and windows, wash stairways, polish furniture, vacuum, sweep floors, etc). Please talk with Rick Balog or Chuck Brockway for further information.
*My Neighborhood* is planning a **Mother’s Day Planting Event** on Saturday, April 12\(^{th}\) from 1-3pm at Presidential Park. *Children can plant a flower for their mom for Mother’s Day, learn about the Community Garden. Monthly Meetings are on Thursdays at St. Peters at 7pm (4/10, 5/8, 6/12).

*My Neighborhood Community Garden* – The Committee is getting organized – if you like to garden be sure to get on the list. Send an e-mail to [myneighborhood@accaa.org](mailto:myneighborhood@accaa.org).

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**Ending Collect for Lent**

O Lord, Source of all that is and shall be, forge in each of us your glorious light, abiding in your Word, sustained by your love, and totally dedicated to your service, so that we might become catalysts for change in an imperfect and often unpredictable world. *Amen.*