



Online Worship
3rd Sunday of Lent
March 06, 2021

Gathering as the Body of Christ

Call to Worship and Silence

Where you see a + in the booklet, you may make the sign of the cross.

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

Celebrant Bless the + Lord who forgives all our sins,
People **His mercy endures forever.**

Celebrant and People together

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

The Summary of the Law

Matthew 22:37-40

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

The Trisagion

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

The Collect

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

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Listening for the Word of God

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:26-27

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Song: The Lord is Gracious and Compassionate

Based on Psalm 103

The Lord is gracious and compassionate
Slow to anger and rich in love

And the Lord is good to all
And He has compassion on all that He has made

As far as the east is from the west
That's how far He has removed our transgressions from us

Praise the Lord, oh my soul, praise the Lord
Praise the Lord, oh my soul, praise the Lord

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

Lord, to whom shall we go? / Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life
And we have believed and have come to know
That you are the Holy One of God / You are the Holy One of God

Gospel Reading

Matthew 6:19-34

The +++ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

...The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Lord, to whom shall we go? / Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life
And we have believed and have come to know
That you are the Holy One of God / You are the Holy One of God

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 Homily

In the name of the + Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Responding to today's good news:

Heavenly Father, as you continue tearing down the walls of division in our midst, help me to see where you are at work in _____ so that I can join in your work of reconciliation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray together for the church and for the world. After each prompt, you may offer prayers in the chat.

We lift up the victims of COVID-19, and all those who are ill: [prayers are offered].

We ask that you would drive away their sickness, give them patience in their affliction, and restore them to health and strength. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For all who are afraid, isolated, or grieving; for those suffering anxiety or depression; for those enduring unemployment, disruption, disappointment and loss: [prayers are offered].

Draw near to those who weep, carry their sorrows, and let your unfailing love drive out all fear, leaving a sure confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the challenges of the days to come. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For all those in civic authority in the world and our communities, especially Joe, our President, Eric, our Governor, and Josie Fasoldt and her team along with all others in public service: [prayers are offered].

Bless them with wisdom, courage, grace and integrity, that they may lead us in unity for the common good, safety, and health of all. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for your Church: For Todd, our Bishop, for all the clergy and people of our diocese, and especially for our parish: The Table: [prayers are offered].

Grant us the grace to bear one another's burdens and proclaim and embody the good news of your kingdom in the midst of the upheaval of the world. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We cry out for the dismantling of systemic racism and inequality, and ask that you would bring justice to the poor, the marginalized, and the oppressed: [prayers are offered].

Open our hearts toward our neighbors, and give us courage and creativity to see how you are calling us to step into your mission. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We remember all those who have + departed this life: [prayers are offered].

Your Son conquered death by his death and won the victory by his resurrection. Receive them into the arms of your mercy and your peace, until that blessed day when you return again and we are reunited. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, restorer of shalom: Tear down the walls of injustice and oppression that keep us from Kingdom living that we may dwell together in unity on Earth as it is in Heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever.

Amen. -Mallory Ruark

The Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

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 Priest 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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

————— *Communing at the Table: Holy Eucharist* —————

Offertory

To support our common work and participate in our life together through giving, you can set up a one-time or recurring online offering here:

<https://www.thetableindy.org/give>

Doxology

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 Sursum Corda

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise!**

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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 Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest
+ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Prayer of Consecration

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: in your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us.

In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Celebrant and People

**Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of

your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify + us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 forever. **AMEN!**

The Lord's Prayer

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

**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 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 forever and ever. Amen.**

The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

The Ministration of Communion

The Celebrant says the following invitation

Behold the Lamb of God;
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.
Church, behold what you are; become what you receive.

The Celebrant receives the Sacrament in both kinds on behalf of the Church, and those with pre-consecrated communion elements receive at this time, while the Agnus Dei is sung. Those without communion elements can pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion at this time.

Prayer For Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live and die in your love. Amen.

The Agnus Dei

- Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
- Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
- Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

Song: His Kingdom Now Is Come

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome
Behold, behold, His kingdom now is come

The valleys will be lifted,
and the mountains will be brought down low.
The valleys will be lifted,
and the mountains will be brought down low.
Behold, behold, His kingdom now is come

Hear the voice cry from the highway,
"Make way for the Prince of Peace!"
Hear the voice cry from the highway,
"Make way for the Prince of Peace!"
Behold, behold, His kingdom now is come

God of Justice, Righteous Judge, (Behold! Behold! Behold!)
Our Defender, Prince of Peace, (Behold! Behold! Behold!)
Father to the fatherless, our strong Deliverer, (Behold! Behold! Behold!)
He's troubling the water and we're marching through
Behold, behold, His kingdom now is come

The Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father, 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.

Sending into Mission

Announcements

See detailed announcements on the last page of this booklet.

Sending and Blessing

The people accompany the first three responses with a sweep of the arm towards the cross behind the Holy Table, and their final response with a sweep towards heaven.

All our problems

We send to the cross of Christ.

All our difficulties

We send to the cross of Christ.

All the devil's works

We send to the cross of Christ.

All our hopes

We set on the risen Christ.

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path ...

... and the blessing of God Almighty, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Deacon dismisses the People with these words

<i>Deacon</i>	Let us go forth in the Name of Christ,
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God!

Announcements

Stay Connected

Do you get our email newsletter? Stay in the loop by signing up for our email newsletter at : <https://thetableindy.org/newsletter>

Lenten Morning Prayer on Wednesdays

We will have space for online morning prayer together on Wednesdays during Lent from 8:00-8:30am. For more info, email nancy@thetableindy.org.

Racism & Repentance Discussion Groups

As we continue our Lenten series on racial justice and reckoning with whiteness, we will have two different meetings on Zoom during the week to share and discuss what we are noticing and working through. One group will meet on Sundays at 9:15 am and the other on Tuesdays at 8:30pm (both online). Email Mallory (mallory@thetableindy.org) for more info on how to get involved.

Lenten Storytelling With Our Kids

As we observe Lent, we'll have the opportunity to practice storytelling together at home much like we did during Advent. Using most of the same supplies, we'll follow along with stories from Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and his death upon the cross. To get more info, email andrea@thetableindy.org.

Prayer Beads

On Saturday, March 13, at 10:30 am, we'll gather online to construct an Anglican prayer "chaplet," followed by a prayer exercise to learn how to use the beads in prayer. The supply list and instructions can be downloaded at: <https://www.thetableindy.org/prayer-beads-class/>

Prayer Ministry

Would you like to pray with someone at the Table for a specific situation? We would be honored to pray with you! Below is the contact information of our trained Table Prayer Ministers. Feel free to connect with us at any time.

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Events This Week

- **Tue Mar 9** at 8:30pm | Racism & Repentance Group (online)
(Email matt@thetableindy.org for details.)
- **Wed Mar 10** at 8am | Morning Prayer
(Email nancy@thetableindy.org for details.)
- **Sun Mar 14** at 9:15am | Racism & Repentance Group (online)
(Email ben@thetableindy.org for details.)
- **Sun Mar 14** at 11:15am | Worship Gathering (Lent 4)

Upcoming Events

- **Sat Mar 13** at 10:30pm | Prayer Beads Class (online)
(See <https://www.thetableindy.org/prayer-beads-class/> for more details.)
- **Fri Apr 2** at TBD | Good Friday Worship Gathering
- **Sun Apr 4** at 11:15am | Easter Sunday Worship Gathering



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