

St. James Parish Church

Holetown, St. James, Barbados

TO BE A BEACON RADIATING GOD'S LOVE AMONG ALL PEOPLE



MOTHERING SUNDAY

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 15, 2026

7:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sermon

9:15 a.m. Sung Holy Eucharist and Sermon

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ASSISTANT PRIEST: REV. GRAVENEY BANNISTER

ASSISTANT CURATE: REV. STEVENSON SOBERS

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LENTEN PROSE

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory:
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

O thou chief cornerstone, right hand of the Father:
way of salvation, gate of life celestial:
cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated:
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children:
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

Sins oft committed, now we lay before thee:
with true contrition, now no more we veil them:
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

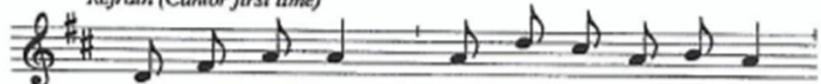
*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

Innocent captive, taken unresisting:
falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced,
save us, we pray thee, Jesu, our Redeemer.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

The Lenten Prose

Refrain (Cantor first time)



Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:



for we have sinn'd a - gainst thee.

Cantor



1. To thee, Re - deem - er, on thy throne of glo - ry:
2. O thou chief Cor - ner stone, Right Hand of the Fa - ther:
3. God, we im - plore thee, in thy glo - ry seat - ed:
4. Sins oft com - mit - ted now we lay be - fore thee:
5. In - no - cent cap - tive, ta - ken un - re - sist - ing:



- 1 lift we our weep - ing eyes in ho - ly plead - ings:
- 2 Way of Sal - va - tion, Gate of life cel - es - tial:
- 3 bow down and hear - ken to thy weep - ing child - ren:
- 4 with true con - tri - tion now no more we veil them:
- 5 false - ly ac - cused, and for us sin - ners sen - tenc'd,



- 1 lis - ten O Je - su, to our sup - pli - ca - tions.
- 2 cleanse thou our sin - ful souls from all de - file - ment.
- 3 pi - ty and par - don all our grie - vus tres - pas - es.
- 4 grant us, Re - deem - er, lov - ing ab - so - lu - tion.
- 5 save us we pray thee, Je - su our Re - deem - er.

The Refrain is repeated after every verse

ORGAN PRELUDE

Organist: Dr. Philip Forde, ARCM, FRCO

OPENING SENTENCES: LENT

Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5: 1, 2

HYMN FOR THE INTROIT: 1 1 1

1. O Lord, turn not Thy face from me,
who lie in woeful state,
lamenting all my sinful life
before thy mercy-gate:
2. a gate which opens wide to those
that do lament their sin;
shut not that gate against me, Lord,
but let me enter in.
3. And call me not to strict account
how I have sojourned here;
for then my guilty conscience knows
how vile I shall appear.
4. Mercy, good Lord, mercy I ask;
this is my humble prayer;
for mercy, Lord is all my suit,
O let Thy mercy spare.

AND / OR

HYMN FOR THE INTROIT: 454

1. Jesu, thy mercies are untold
through each returning day;
thy love exceeds a thousandfold
whatever we can say;
2. That love which in thy passion drained
for us thy precious blood;
that love whereby the saints have gained
the vision of their God;
3. 'Tis thou hast loved us from the womb,
pure Source of all our bliss,
our only hope of life to come,
our happiness in this;
4. Lord, grant us, while on earth we stay,
thy love to feel and know;
and, when from hence we pass away,
to us thy glory show.

PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (*Alleluia! Alleluia*).

ALL:

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
(*Alleluia! Alleluia*).

THE PRAYER OF INTENT

ALL:

**Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in
your Name and in fellowship with one another.**

Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. *Amen.*

The following may also be said:

COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL: 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 KYRIES

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

PRESIDENT: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT: FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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 FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 16:1-13

Saul, King of Israel, was initially in favour with God, but after disobeying the prophet Samuel's orders and then God's orders, he was rejected by God.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the First Book of Samuel Chapter 16, beginning at the first verse.

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

The people: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

The Lord is shepherd and guide. God is present in the time of danger and is generous and merciful.

- 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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son:*

and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now:*
and shall be forever. **Amen.**

THE SECOND READING - EPHESIANS 5:8-14

The author exhorts his readers to conduct themselves ethically as befits those who have adopted the way of Christ, and therefore to follow Christ, the light of the world.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians Chapter 5, beginning at the eighth verse.

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

The people: *Thanks be to God.*

HYMN FOR THE GRADUAL: 706

1. Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old
was strong to heal and save;
it triumphed o'er disease and death,
o'er darkness and the grave:
to thee they went, the blind, the dumb,
the palsied, and the lame,
the leper with his tainted life,
the sick with fevered frame.
2. And lo, thy touch brought life and health,
gave speech and strength and sight;
and youth renewed and frenzy calmed
owned thee, the Lord of light:
and now, O Lord, be near to bless,
almighty as of yore,
in crowded street, by restless couch,
as by Gennesareth's shore.
3. Be thou our great deliverer still,
thou Lord of life and death;
restore and quicken, soothe and bless,
with thine almighty breath:
to hands that work and eyes that see,
give wisdom's heavenly lore,
that whole and sick, and weak and strong,
may praise thee evermore.

THE GOSPEL JOHN 9: 1-41

Jesus has said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." As Isaiah foretold,

Jesus gives sight to the blind.

Gospeler: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Gospeler: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

All: Glory to Christ Our Saviour.

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.”

This is the Gospel of Christ

The people: *Praise to Christ our Lord.*

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THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or 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,
one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in fulfilment of 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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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: INTERCESSION: FORM E

7:15 A.M.

9:15 A.M.

LEADER:

Let us pray for the fellowship of the Church of Christ, and for all God's creatures.

LEADER:

With all who confess the name of Jesus, as Lord and Saviour, we offer our prayers and praises, in Spirit and in truth.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

With Jesus Christ, our Great High Priest, who ever lives to intercede for us, we uphold all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may fulfil their high calling in the Faith.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

We pray for the unfailing guidance of the Holy Spirit on those who are called to interpret and expound the will of the Lord to others.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

We pray for all organizations, within the fellowship of the Body of Christ, that their work may edify the people of God, and bear faithful witness to the Gospel.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

We pray for all persons who do not share our confession of faith, that with courage, truth and love we may work together with them, and promote the common good.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

For the leaders of our country, and all who make decisions on our behalf, that they may be guided by the Spirit, to direct our affairs in righteousness and peace.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

For our Judges, Magistrates and all who administer justice, that in all things they may seek to do your will, and to protect the rights and freedom of your people.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

In our schools, and in all other places of learning, may true knowledge, sound wisdom, and godly discipline ever be found.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

To the poor, the hungry, the unemployed, and all victims of persecution and discrimination of any kind, may God in Christ help us all to bring relief, justice and protection.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

To all who suffer now from pain and disease, from human discomfort and misery, may God in Christ bring healing and joy, for the renewal of their faith.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That we may use aright the fullness of the earth, that our pursuits in science, and the advancement of our skills, may ever be in service of that true humanity, which is created in the image of God.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That we may never become the slaves of money, or of the lust for power, but may rather strive for victory through the power of love.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That with all who belong to the communion of saints, both living and departed, we may ever rejoice in the blessed assurance of that hope, which has been won for us in Christ.

Father in Heaven,

ALL: Receive these our prayers in the name of your dear Son, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The President adds a concluding Collect.

THE ACT OF PENITENCE

PRESIDENT:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(1 John 1: 8 - 9)

Let us therefore confess our sins.

ALL: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. **Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT:

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

PRESIDENT: We are the Body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL: Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Song of Peace: : Let There Be Peace

Let there be peace on earth,
And let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be.
With God as our Father
Brothers all are we.
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now.
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow.
To take each moment
And live each moment
With peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth,
And let it begin with me.

HYMN FOR THE OFFERTORY: 529

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining:
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us -
shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord and let there be
light!*

2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by your blood I may enter your brightness:
search me, try me, consume all my darkness -
shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain

3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory:
mirrored here, may our lives tell your story -
shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

LENT:

For 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL:

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!

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER - FORM C:

PRESIDENT:

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known
to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and, above all, in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent Him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In Him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In Him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

For, on the night that He was betrayed
He took bread,
and when He had given thanks to you,
He broke it and gave it to His disciples
and said: "Take this, and eat it:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

And 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.

PRESIDENT:

Therefore, Father, according to His command:

**ALL: We remember His death;
 We proclaim His resurrection;
 We await His coming in glory.**

PRESIDENT:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise
and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,

to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the sacrament
of the Body of Christ
and His Blood of the New Covenant.
Unite us to your Son in His sacrifice
that we, made acceptable in Him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation:

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
Almighty Father, now and ever.

ALL: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name;
your kingdom come;
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL: Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

THE AGNUS DEI

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.

THE INVITATION

PRESIDENT: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL: Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we

will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

HYMN FOR COMMUNION: 603

1. Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees;

Refrain:

*when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.*

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees;

Refrain

3. Let us praise God together on our knees;
let us praise God together on our knees;

Refrain

HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: 658

1. Jesus loves me! This I know,
for the bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong;
they are weak but he is strong.

Refrain:

*Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The bible tells me so.*

2. Jesus loves me! He who died,
heaven's gate to open wide;
he will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in.

Refrain

3. Jesus take this heart of mine,
make it pure and wholly thine;
on the cross you died for me,
I will try to live for thee.

Refrain

OR

HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: 752

1. Virgin-born! we bow before Thee!
blessed was the Maid who bore Thee,
Mary, maid and Mother mild,
blessed was she in her Child
2. Blessed was the breast that fed Thee,
blessed was the hand that led Thee;
blessed was the parent's eye,
That watched Thy slumbering infancy.
3. Blessed she by all creation
Who brought forth the world's salvation;
And blessed they – for ever blest,
Who love thee most and serve thee best.
4. Virgin-born, we bow before Thee!
blessed was the womb that bore Thee

Mary, Maid and mother mild,
blessed was she in her child.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God and Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you and all persons in you,
with gladness and singleness of heart,
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE BLESSING: LENT

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny
yourselves, take up your cross, and follow Him;
and the Blessings of God Almighty, the Father,
the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and
remain with you always

ALL: Amen

HYMN FOR THE RECEPTION: 300

1. Christ is the world's true light,
its Captain of salvation,
the Daystar clear and bright
of every race and nation;
new life, new hope awakes,
for all who own his sway:
freedom her bondage breaks,

and night is turned to day.

2. In Christ all races meet,
their ancient feuds forgetting,
the whole round world complete,
from sunrise to its setting:
when Christ is throned as Lord
all shall forsake their fear,
to plough-share beat the sword,
to pruning hook the spear.
3. One Lord, in one great name
unite us all who own thee;
cast out our pride and shame
that hinder to enthrone thee;
the world has waited long,
has travailed long in pain;
to heal its ancient wrong,
come, Prince of peace, and reign.

THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

*Please feel free to depart during the
postlude, mindful of those who
remain to listen.*

Notices and Announcements

- *The St. James' Church Family would like to extend a blessed welcome to all taking part in this act of worship today.*
- *We offer a very special welcome to all of our visitors., most especially those from overseas .*
- *We also pray that this service will be an inspiration to all.*

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:

Our records indicate that the following members are celebrating their birthdays this week. Special greetings to them.

<i>Adams, Andre (Mr.)</i>	<i>March 2</i>
<i>Greenidge, Ashton (Mr.)</i>	<i>March 19</i>
<i>Hope, Cecily (Mrs.)</i>	<i>March 21</i>
<i>Layne, Nakeish (Miss)</i>	<i>March 21</i>
<i>Worrell-Lowe, Marc (Mr.)</i>	<i>March 20</i>

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