Newcomers and visitors, welcome! We are a servant church in the heart of the city. May you find here, by God’s grace, that which feeds your soul, and leave here with a heart prepared to serve.
Morning Prayer

Voluntary: “Andante tranquillo,” op. 65 no. 3/2  
Felix Mendelssohn

Opening Sentence

Officiant If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. I John 1:8, 9

Confession of Sin

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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.

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.

People Amen.

Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

All The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

Venite

Psalm 95:1–7

All Come, let us sing to the Lord; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, * and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *  
and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *  
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**Antiphon**

All  
The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

**The Psalm Appointed**

Psalm 130

All  
Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice; *  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *  
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *  
therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *  
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,  
more than watchmen for the morning, *  
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, *  
for with the Lord there is mercy;  
With him there is plenteous redemption, *  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

**The Lessons**

Ezekiel 37:1–14

Reader  
The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come
upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 14

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven,*
   God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,*
   and of all their righteous offspring:
You made the heavens and the earth,*
   with all their vast array.
All things quake with fear at your presence;*
   they tremble because of your power.
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure;*
   it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.
O Lord, you are full of compassion,*
   long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.
You hold back your hand;*
   you do not punish as we deserve.
In your great goodness, Lord,
you have promised forgiveness to sinners,*
   that they may repent of their sin and be saved.
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart,*
   and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned,*
   and I know my wickedness only too well.
Therefore I make this prayer to you:*
   Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.
Do not let me perish in my sin,*
   nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent,*
   and in me you will show forth your goodness.
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,
in accordance with your great mercy,*
   and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises,*
   and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.
Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Homily
Canticle 16

All

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Apostles’ Creed

All

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.
The Prayers

Officiant  The Lord be with you.
People   And also with you.
Officiant  Let us pray.
All  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.

Suffrages

Officiant  Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
People   Govern and uphold them, now and always.
Officiant  Day by day we bless you;
People   We praise your Name for ever.
Officiant  Lord, keep us from all sin today;
People   Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
Officiant  Lord, show us your love and mercy;
People   For we put our trust in you.
Officiant  In you, Lord, is our hope;
People   And we shall never hope in vain.

Collects

Officiant  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.

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.
Hymn #455: “O Love of God, how strong and true”


Intercessions and Thanksgivings

A Litany Amidst the COVID-19 Outbreak

Written by Michael Kurth, Earth & Altar blog/magazine

Officiant: God the Father,
People: Have mercy on us.

Officiant: God the Son,
People: Have mercy on us.

Officiant: God the Holy Spirit,
People: Have mercy on us.

Officiant: Holy Trinity, one God,
People: Have mercy on us.

Officiant: Most merciful God, we come to you in this time of anxiety and uncertainty surrounding the outbreak of COVID-19. As the sorrows of our heart and mind increase, we beseech you to save us from all trouble and fear. Cast away all works of darkness. Be our rock, a castle to keep us safe. For the Lord is our stronghold and sure defense, and he will be our Savior.

For all who have died: receive them into the arms of your mercy, grant them eternal peace, and surround those who mourn with your healing grace.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant: For those directly infected with the virus: help them recover in good health and restore them in body, mind and spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant: For those at high risk of infection, especially the elderly, those with underlying illnesses, the marginalized, and the poor: keep them healthy and free from all sickness.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.
Officiant  For those in quarantine, the shut-in, and the infirmed: help them find peace, keep them in good health, and renew their mind and spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For all hospitals, doctors, nurses, and staff: protect them as they minister to the sick, relieve all stress, and provide the resources and space to meet the needs of all the infirmed.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For first responders: guard them from all harm, and grant them strength and courage as they respond to all calls for help.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For service industry workers and those forced to work as their community shuts down: keep them healthy, bestow the resources to best care for themselves and their families, and assure them in times of financial and medical anxiety.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For those experiencing financial loss and uncertainty of resources: have mercy on them, alleviate any fear, and provide for them daily bread and wage.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For the leaders of this nation and the world: help them make sound and safe decisions to best secure the future of our planet.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For all schools, students, teachers, administrators and school staff: as schools remain open, keep them healthy and in good spirit to learn; as schools close, feed those who will go hungry without guaranteed meals and shelter all students who have no place to live.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For all scientists and those working to find a cure: inspire them towards your truth, and help them discover and disseminate a vaccine and cure.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For all media and journalists: protect them from all harm in their reporting, and move them to be a vector of truth and certainty, and never fear or panic.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For all places of worship: embolden them to be beacons of hope and love, and help us to gather however and wherever we can – be it in person or online – to give you praise.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For the leaders of our church: help them minister to their flock; fortify them to be faithful pastors, to persevere in prayer, and to build up the family of God in new and creative ways.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For the young: spare them from harm and fear, and keep them a joyful sign of your love and light.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For all parents: build in them strength and fortitude for the time ahead, and give them the words and witness to be wise counselors and compassionate caregivers.
People Lord, hear our prayer.
Officiant For calm amidst the storm: as the waves toss our boat and we wonder “do you not care?”, remind us to not be afraid, that with you all things are possible, and that even the wind and sea obey you.
People Lord, hear our prayer.
Officiant Stir up in us a spirit of compassion and tenacity for the time ahead.
People Amen.
Officiant Move us to check-in with loved ones at high risk of infection and those in quarantine.
People Amen.
Officiant Ease our fear and anxiety, that we may share our resources rather than hoard them, and extend a helping hand to those in need.
People Amen.
Officiant Inspire us to share the Good News of your love and hope.
People Amen.
Officiant All this we ask through your son Jesus Christ our Lord: healer of the sick, ruler of the tempestuous sea, and Savior of the world.
People Amen.
Officiant Lord, have mercy.
People Christ, have mercy.
All Lord, have mercy.

General Thanksgiving
All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.
DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen. 2 Corinthians 13:14

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The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse, Officiant
Dr. Paul Meier, Organist
Julie Brogno, Lector

The Bishop has asked that we use the Eucharistic Lectionary rather than the Daily Office Lectionary during Morning Prayer to keep in line with the Lenten/Easter narrative.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

March 22
Sergio Moreno-Denton
Debbie Marrs
Paul Hemingway

March 24
Arica Clay
Clay Miller
Sharon Sprague
Jack & Marie Whitacre

March 25
Jean Rau
Ho & Susan Ahn

March 26
Helen Windsor
Day Kerr

March 27
George & Joselyn Verschelden

March 28
Peg Brown

March 30
Ellen Goheen
John Ryan

March 31
Juliana Johnson
Camille Moore

April 1
Joyce Gillespie
Bunny Oestreicher
Kent McCall

April 2
Michelle Fasel

April 3
Curtis Hamilton

April 4
Paula Connors
Karen Davis-Brown
Sandy Bressman
Rachel Dzialo

Please contact the Cathedral office if we have omitted your birthday or anniversary: 816.474.8260 or jsweeting@kccathedral.org.

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for:

Healing—Jim Starcev; Nan Schooling; Fiona (Leona) Schaefer; Nancy Wright; Matalin Page; Beth Keyse; Sonya Kittrell; Donna Carril; Jeff Oliver; David With; Lida Moffett; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Eric & Burma Cenovich; Pat Leive; Betsy Chase; Pat McKenna; Yolie Polakowski; Peg Morgan; Linda Perece; Tara Bennett; Joanne Repass Jones; Horst & Gudrun Döding; Gaelle Marchand; Jim Royer; Bill Blakey; Linda Frost; Gordon Hansen; Jim Martin; Brad Dutton; Abbey Mattson; Phil Carr; Jim Moon; Ellie Vitoria Kupec

Peace & Comfort—Kathy Jennings & family; Bob Clark’s family; Bill Foley’s family; Noella Applegate Fox’s family; Marjorie Pugh

Endurance & Overcoming—Betty Ovverson

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