



CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 15th, 2026

SERVANTS OF THE WEEK

	MARCH 15	MARCH 22
Officiant / Leader	John Nordhagen	Fr. Jerry Cimijotti
Sharer	Phil D. & Michelle H.	Fr. Jerry Cimijotti
Altar Guild	Becky Allen	Becky Allen
	Char Kautzman	Char Kautzman
Chalice Bearer		
Lay Reader	Rita Schoeps	Jan Thorne
Ushers	Karen Marinos	Jim Kelly
	Jon Dean	Judy Conlan
Sunday School	Cynthia Weems	Cynthia Weems
Music	Daniel Groth	Daniel Groth
Order of Worship	Daniel Groth	Daniel Groth
Sound & Video	Charlie & Jim	Charlie & Jim

WELCOME VISITORS!

There are visitor cards near the entrance, please fill one out and give it to an usher.

The nursery is available for children up to 4 years old. The nursery is the first room on the left going down the hallway.

All who are baptized and followers of the Lord Jesus are welcome at His table.

A NOTE ABOUT LITURGICAL WORSHIP

Liturgy means the work of the people. Its purpose is to engage people in active participation in drawing near to God. An analogy that helps us understand why we follow a liturgical form of worship is that of a trail leading up to a mountain vista. We follow the trail not only to arrive at a particular destination, but we enjoy the journey en route! We enjoy the sounds of rushing streams and singing birds, the smell of the forest and fresh earth, the beauty of the sunlight and the changing scenery. In a similar way in our journey to the vista of the adoration of Jesus Christ, we pass through prayers that point and direct us to His character, the songs that enliven our heart with images of His glory, the Word of God that proclaims His truth, and the communion that draws us to His heart. Would you journey with us today through the landscape of the Lord's goodness?

MORNING PRAYER

March 15th, 2026

*Before service we will enter a time of reflective quiet
as we ready our hearts for the Lord.*

Officiant says to the people

Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *Matthew 3:2*

PROCESSIONAL

All stand.

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

The King of love my shepherd is
Whose goodness fails me never
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul He's leading
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feeding

Confused and foolish oft I strayed
But yet in love He sought me
And on His shoulder gently laid
And home rejoicing brought me

And so through all the length of days
Your goodness fails me never
Good Shepherd may I sing Your praise
Within Your house forever

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THE CONFESSION OF SIN

All Prayerfully sit or kneel. Officiant says to the People

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept as we pause for reflection.

Officiant and People say

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the deceits and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord; And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

Officiant prays

Grant your faithful people, merciful Lord, pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

Officiant and people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE MUSIC

All stand.

“Ascribe”

Ascribe unto the Lord the glory due His Name
Ascribe unto the Lord the honor and the praise

Pre-Chorus

For He is holy and He is worthy of
All of the glory and all of our love

[1st Time Return To Verse]

Chorus

**Great and marvelous are Your works oh Lord
Just and true are all of Your ways in all the earth
Alpha, Omega, the Beginning and the End
Forever we'll praise the Name of the Lord most high**

[Instrumental] [Chorus]

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“Build My Life”

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, we live for You

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Chorus

**Holy, there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me**

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
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Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
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Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love it is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken

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THE INVITATORY

O Lord, open our lips;

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us;

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,

And to the Holy Spirit;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

ANTIPHON

Officiant

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

O come, let us adore him.

VENITE

O Come

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; *

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the depths of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, *

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.

Today, if you will hear his voice, harden not your hearts *

as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation

in the wilderness,

When your fathers tested me, *

and put me to the proof, though they had seen my

works.

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**Forty years long was I grieved with this generation
and said, ***

**“It is a people that err in their hearts,
for they have not known my ways,”**

**Of whom I swore in my wrath *
that they should not enter into my rest.**

Psalm 95:1-7, 8-11

THE LESSONS

PSALM 23

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
therefore I can lack nothing.**
- 2 He shall feed me in green pastures *
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.**
- 3 He shall refresh my soul *
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for
his Name’s sake.**
- 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I will fear no evil, *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff
comfort me.**
- 5 You shall prepare a table before me, in the presence of
those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall
be full.**
- 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 be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

A reading from 1 Samuel 16:1-13 (Page 238)

After the reading the reader says:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE ECCE, DEUS

Surely, it is God who saves me

Lay Reader and People together, all standing

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.**

**Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.**

And on that day you shall say, *

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.**

**Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things*
and this is known in all the world.**

**Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One
of Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen.**

Isaiah 12:2-6

SECOND LESSON

A reading from John 9:1-13, 28-38 (Page 895)

After the reading the reader says:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

All stand.

“Our God”

Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind.
There's no one like You, none like You.

Chorus

**Our God is greater, our God is stronger;
God, You are higher than any other;
Our God is healer, awesome in power,
Our God, our God.**

Into the darkness You shine;
Out of the ashes we rise;
There's no one like You, none like You. **[Chorus]**

Bridge

And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us?
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against? **[Repeat]**
Then what could stand against? **[Chorus]**

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**SHARING:
PHIL DEAN & MICHELLE HALL**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

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 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 OFFERTORY

For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do. *Hebrews 6:10*

OFFERTORY SONG

“The Backwoods / Psalm 23” - Solo

Deep in the backwoods of my heart
I am longing, hungering
Stuck on the thorns of my worry
I am still, unmoving

[Musical interlude]

Pre-Chorus

And I sway with the gust of a wind **[x2]**
That stirs the deep within me

He brushes past my soul
The Holy Ghost, like heated coal
Burns away the thickets here
Releasing me into the clear

He moves me through the valley
Of shadow and doubt, He loves me
He guides me through the brambles
From a heart that lay in shambles

And I see the Shepherd’s pastures
Bordered by still waters
Past the edge of backwood trees
Where I watch from prayer-bent knees...

[Musical interlude]

Chorus

Lead me out of the backwoods [x3]
Of my heart

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THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost Amen.**

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THE PRAYERS

The people remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant and People pray together

**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.**

Prayerfully sit or kneel

SUFFRAGES

O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

And grant us your salvation.

O Lord, guide those who govern us;

And lead us in the way of justice and truth.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

And let your people sing with joy.

O Lord, save your people;

And bless your inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;

And defend us by your mighty power.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

And take not your Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

A COLLECT FOR STRENGTH

To Await Christ's Return

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR MISSION

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.**

A PRAYER FOR THE SELECTION OF A MINISTER

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a priest for this parish that we may receive a faithful pastor who will preach the Gospel, care for your people, equip us for ministry, and lead us forth in fulfillment of the Great Commission; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People say together

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 ourselves 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.

A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant continues

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING SCRIPTURE

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

MILESTONES

RECESSIONAL

All stand.

“Shout to the Lord”

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You;
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my Shelter, tower of refuge and strength;
Let ev'ry breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You!

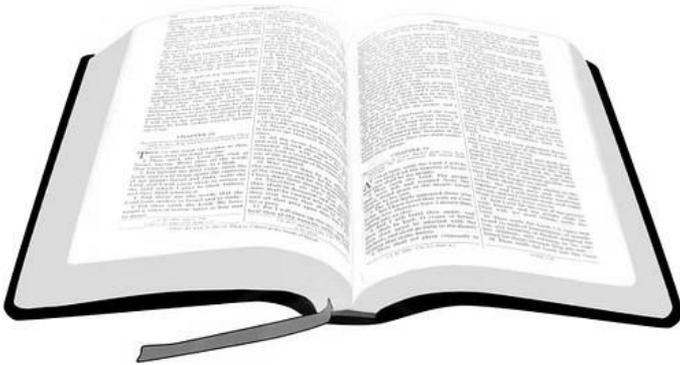
Refrain

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King;
Mountains bow down, and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands,
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



*“Your word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light upon my path.”*

HEALING OF THE BLIND MAN BY JESUS CHRIST

Carl Heinrich Bloch
(1834 - 1890)

“While Jesus responded to the man who was born blind with compassion, the disciples consulted Jesus as if simply discussing a theological issue. The Jews often attributed physical limitation to punishment for wrongdoing. So was the blindness the result of the man’s personal sin?

“In their minds, the disability could be attributed to one of three types of sin: 1) Prenatal sin, an idea drawn from the story of Jacob and Esau in Genesis 26, the Jews believed that sinning in the womb was possible, 2) Some preexisting sin of the man’s, 3) Generational sin - a punishment for the wrongdoing of the man’s parents.

“Jesus’ response in verse 3 resolves the issue and dispels any question related to blame: ‘Neither this man nor his parents sinned... but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.’”

“The Sabbath was established as a day of rest (Ex. 20:8-10), but the Pharisees had added numerous regulations to make sure everyone ‘rested.’ In their thinking, this healing - if in fact the man actually had been healed – was work, and thus violated the Sabbath. Instead of celebrating the man’s good fortune, they only saw a violation of their rules and a threat to their power.

“The Old Testament phrase give glory to God is a Hebrew idiom that often meant, ‘Confess your sins and repent’. (Josh. 7:19)” The worst thing the Pharisees could have done was to assert that they were not sinners (1 John 1:8). The best thing they did was to throw the man out of the synagogue where he saw Jesus with his own eyes and worshiped Him.” *(the Jeremiah Study Bible)*

“Carl Heinrich Bloch was a Danish artist, best known for his deeply emotional and realist religious and historical works. Though he began his career painting everyday rural scenes, he rose to international fame for his masterful depictions of the life of Jesus Christ.” *(Wikipedia.org)*