

# St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church

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And [God] said, "[I] am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Exodus 3:6 (RSV)

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# ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO, WITH THE PENITENTIAL ORDER, AND LENTEN SOLEMN PRAYER

### PRELUDE

*Come To The Water*

Sharon Lewis, Church Accompanist

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### OPENING SONG

*Holy Ground*

- 1 This is holy ground. We're standing on holy ground. For the Lord is present and where He is, is holy. This is holy ground. We're standing on Holy ground. For the Lord is present and where He is, is holy.
- 2 These are holy hands. He's given us holy hands. He works through these hands, and so these hands are holy. These are holy hands. He's given us holy hands. He works through these hands, and so these hands are holy.
- 3 These are holy lips. He's given us holy lips. He speaks through these lips and so these lips are holy. These are holy lips. He's given us holy lips. He speaks through these lips and so these lips are holy.
- 4 These are holy ears. He's given us holy ears. He speaks to these ears, and so these ears are holy. These are holy ears. He's given us holy ears. He speaks to these ears, and so these ears are holy.

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## A PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Priest* ✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* His mercy endures for ever.

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### THE DECALOGUE: CONTEMPORARY

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*Priest* Hear the commandments of God to his people:  
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.  
You shall have no other gods but me.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Priest* You shall not make for yourself any idol.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Priest* You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Priest* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Priest* Honor your father and your mother.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Priest* You shall not commit murder.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Priest* You shall not commit adultery.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Priest* You shall not steal.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Priest* You shall not be a false witness.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Priest* You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Silence*

*Priest* If we say that 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. *1 John 1:8,9*

*Silence*

*Priest* 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.**

*Priest* 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.**

**TRISAGION**

HYMN No. S-100

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

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE LESSONS

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT

*Exodus 3:1-15*

*Reader* A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to

you':

This is my name forever,  
and this my title for all generations.”

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

***People* Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALM**

Psalm 63:1-8

*Deus, Deus meus*

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*Reader* Please read today’s Psalm responsively by whole verse.

- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \*  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,  
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.
- 2 **Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*  
that I might behold your power and your glory.**
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; \*  
my lips shall give you praise.
- 4 **So will I bless you as long as I live \*  
and lift up my hands in your Name.**
- 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \*  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- 6 **When I remember you upon my bed, \*  
and meditate on you in the night watches.**
- 7 For you have been my helper, \*  
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
- 8 **My soul clings to you; \*  
your right hand holds me fast.**

***All* Glory be 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.**

*Gloria Patri*

**THE EPISTLE**

*1 Corinthians 10:1-13*

*Reader* A reading from St. Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some

of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

#### **GRADUAL HYMN**

*There's a wideness in God's mercy*

HYMN No. 470

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice, which is more than liberty. There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good; there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.
- 2 There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement given. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

#### **THE GOSPEL**

*Luke 13:1-9*

*Priest* ☩ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

#### **GRADUAL HYMN**

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- 3 For the love of God is broader than the measure of the mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we should take him at his

word; and our life would be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt. Music: *Beecher*, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

## THE HOMILY

The Rev. Canon Douglas Renegar

## THE NICENE CREED

*Reader* Let us stand and affirm our faith saying together the Nicene Creed:

*People* **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and 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, of one 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 became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form IV

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*The Intercessor and People pray responsively.*

*Intercessor* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Intercessor* Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world: We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Daniel our Bishop, Chris our Deacon, The Rev. Canon Douglas Renegar our guest priest and for all bishops and other ministers.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray especially for Donald our President, Henry our Governor, and Teddy our Mayor.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy



**People** Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.  
*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy  
**People** Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.  
*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy  
**People** Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Today, we pray especially for *N.N.*  
*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy  
**People** Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* We commend to your mercy all who have died ✠, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.  
*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy  
**People** Hear our prayer.

*Priest* Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son; Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** And also with you.

*The Minister and People will remain in place, but wave/recognize others in the name of the Lord. After exchanging the peace, the Minister may offer this or some other suitable offertory sentence.*

*Priest* Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. *Romans 12:12-13*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*There Is A Balm In Gilead*

St. Augustine's Music Team

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: *Old 100<sup>th</sup>*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

*Priest* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Priest* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Priest* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Priest* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us.  
By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Priest* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

HYMN No. S-129

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.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words*

*concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving:

**People** We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
As we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, ✠ one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**People** Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

*Priest* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**People** 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Priest* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*A short silence is kept and then the Fraction Hymn is sung by all.*

## THE FRACTION

HYMN No. S-161

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.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

**All** We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy

**so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

*Priest* The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The clergy receive communion. Then, at the direction of the ushers, the people will come forward to receive communion or a blessing. We will use the full altar platform. The clergy will place the host in your hands. You may consume the host and then drink from the Chalice (guide the chalice to you). Or, receive the host and when the Chalice is brought to you, please dip your host into the wine and consume your host (please do not touch the chalice when intincting). Gluten-free hosts are available.*

## COMMUNION SONG

*Take Our Bread*

*Refrain* Take our bread, we ask You; take our hearts, we love You; take our lives, O Father; we are Yours, we are Yours.

- 1 Yours as we stand at the table You set. Yours as we eat the bread our hearts can't forget. We are the sign of Your life with us yet; we are Yours, we are Yours.
- 2 Your holy people standing washed in Your blood. Spirit filled yet hungry, we await your food. We are poor but we've brought ourselves the best we could; we are Yours, we are Yours.

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## COMMUNION HYMN

*Rock of ages*

HYMN NO. 685

- 1 Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood from thy wounded side that flowed, be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
- 2 Should my tears for ever flow, should my zeal no languor know, all for sin could not atone: thou must save, and thou alone; in my hand no price I bring, simply to thy cross I cling.
- 3 While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death, when I rise to worlds unknown and behold thee on thy throne, Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740-1778), alt. Music: *Toplady*, Thomas Hastings (1784-1872)

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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*Priest* Let us pray.

*People* **Almighty and everliving God, 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.**

**THE LENTEN SOLEMN PRAYER**  
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*Priest* Bow down before the Lord.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Blessing of Kits will occur only if visitations are scheduled this week.)*

*Deacon* Those doing Eucharistic Visitations please come forward at this time.  
*(Kit is given to each visitor)*

*All* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. In the name of St. Augustine of Canterbury's church family, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. Amen.**

*(Eucharistic Visitors may leave immediately or return to seats)*

**A COLLECT FOR THE MINISTRY**  
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O God, you led your holy apostles to ordain ministers in every place: Grant that your Church, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may choose suitable persons for the ministry of Word and Sacrament, and may uphold them in their work for the extension of your kingdom; through him who is the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

*Priest* The blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

## CLOSING SONG

*By Faith*

- 1 By faith we see the hand of God in the light of creation's grand design, in the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight.
- 2 By faith our fathers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His promise in their hearts, of a holy city built by God's own hand, a place where peace and justice reign.

*Refrain* We will stand as children of the promise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. Till the race is finished and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

- 3 By faith the prophets saw a day when the longed-for Messiah would appear with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death and rise triumphant from the grave.
- 4 By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost to deliver captives and to preach good news in ev'ry corner of the earth.
- 5 By faith this mountain shall be moved and the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail, for we know in Christ all things are possible for all who call upon His name.

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## THE DISMISSAL

*Priest* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Alleluias and bells are omitted during Lent.*

*Please be seated for announcements.*

## POSTLUDE

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **WELCOME THE REV. CANON DOUGLAS RENEGAR**

Today, we are happy to welcome back The Rev. Canon Douglas Renegar as our Celebrant and Preacher.

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Instead of giving up something for Lent, why not take on a spiritual discipline? During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be offered at 5 PM on each Friday. Come and spend some quiet time as we journey with Christ.

### **WEDNESDAYS IN LENT**

Every Wednesday in Lent, March 12th through April 16th, plan to attend the Lenten Study with Fr. Renegar at 6 PM, following Evening Prayer, and accompanying Lenten Soup Supper. Soup, tea, water and coffee will be available. You may bring your own snacks if you'd like.

If you are interested in providing soup for the Lenten Supper, there is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

### **PASTORAL CARE**

Pastoral Care is available. Monday through Friday please contact the office. After hours emergencies, please call Dea. Chris at (803) 716-8641.

### **GRIEF SHARE**

A new session of Grief Share began on Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 6 PM. Please consider joining us or inviting anyone who is newly or acutely experiencing grief and in need of support.

### **EASTER FLOWERS—2025**

Even though we are in Lent, it is never too early to mention Easter Flowers. This year, the cost is \$35 and our deadline to participate is April 1. Please look for flower sheets at the Welcome Table.

### **RIDE SHARE PROGRAM**

St. Augustine's is working to provide for the transportation needs within our congregation for shut ins. We will be coordinating a new Ride Share Program to meet this need. This will be a

great opportunity to “Be The Church” to our fellow members who would be able to provide rides to and from Church for Sunday service and/or special events. Please call the church office 803.641.1913 or email [staugustines@atlanticbbn.net](mailto:staugustines@atlanticbbn.net) if you need transportation or can provide transportation.

### **CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE READING PLAN WITH GINNY HESS AND SHARON LEWIS.**

Our meetings will be held on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 1 PM. This group is open to all. You don't have to have completed all the readings, or any of the readings. Just come as you are, with an open mind, eager to learn, be curious, and explore together.

All questions can be directed to Sharon Lewis at 207-671-2515. If you would like to be put on our email list to be reminded of each meeting, please let Sharon know.

### **CURSILO WEEKEND MARCH 27-30, 2025**

Have you ever wondered, “What is my purpose in life? Are faith and belief the same thing?” Consider attending a Cursillo weekend – from Thursday evening, March 27 to Sunday afternoon, March 30, 2025, at Camp Gravatt.

Cursillo provides an opportunity to deepen our faith and to experience the love of God in a supportive and prayerful community.

For more information, contact David Busch at 803-292-7522 or [davidbusch@atlanticbb.net](mailto:davidbusch@atlanticbb.net)

Learn more about Cursillo on the EDUSC Website, <https://www.edusc.org/cursillo/>, where applications can be downloaded. Scholarships are available.

### **ALTAR GUILD ASSISTANCE**

Holy Week is a busy time in the life of the Church. This year, Holy Week is April 13 (Palm Sunday) through April 20 (Easter Sunday). Raina Knudsen, our Altar Guild President, is in a season of discernment. There is a need for Altar Guild members and some worker bees to help with preparing for the many activities during that week. There are sign-up sheets at the Welcome Table that detail dates, services, and needs. Please pray and consider assisting. People will work as a team. With any questions, please see Raina Knudsen.

### **SOUP KITCHEN**

This month, St. Augustine will be serving food at St. Thaddeus on Saturday, March 29, 2025. Marilyn Busch is our leader for this ministry. If you would like to help support Marilyn, please contact her at 803-292-7523. Plan to arrive at 9 AM.



## SPRING CAMPUS CLEANUP

The calendar turned out to be too full on the first dates we chose ---Cursillo weekend plus Soup Kitchen at St Thaddeus. Spring Cleanup will be held April 4-5, 9-11 AM.

**We are busy – “the little church that does so much!”**

Work for as long as you can – doesn't have to be the whole time. **Come on Friday or Saturday! Please join us for some outdoor beautification to go with our new beautiful building and roof!**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesdays	Men's Breakfast, 8:30 AM, Metro Diner
Wednesdays	Evening Prayer 5:30 PM (Mary Chapel)
Thursdays	GriefShare with Deacon Chris, 6 PM in Fellowship Hall
March 27, April 10	Reading the Bible through 2025, 1:00 PM
March 12– April 16	Wednesday Lenten Study – 6 PM
Friday's during Lent	Stations of the Cross 5 PM
March 27-30	Cursillo Weekend at Camp Gravatt
March 29	Soup Kitchen—Contact Marilyn Busch

### FELLOWSHIP

<i>Today</i>	<i>Anne Kelty</i>
March 30	Bria Blay and Charlene Donahue-Shabi
April 6	<b>Opportunity to serve</b>
April 13	Peggy Denny
April 20	Easter Luncheon

*Be the Church*

# PRAYERS OF OUR COMMUNITY MARCH 23, 2025

## We remember these people in prayer:

Residents & Staff of Silver Bluff Grove  
Residents & Staff of Barclay House  
Bob Bradford  
Benjamin Williams      Joan Sadler  
Gavin                         Dee Martins  
Danny Walker             Bob Rothe  
Elder Family              Tamara Myslyk  
Sue Thielemann-Freschi John Jenkinson  
Julia                         Giuliana Centofanti  
Eddie George             David Sacks  
Donavan                  Becca Kitchens  
Maddie                     Gavin Visser  
Cheryl                     Bradley Weidner  
Elizabeth                 Siva Aiken  
Joshua                     Tom Meehan  
Cheryl Mehta             Richard Marshall  
Danny                     Kelly M. Raymond  
Berardina Centofanti    Janet Pariseau  
Dawna Marinosci        Martha Ann Chalupa  
Anthony DeStefano      Ginny Hess  
James Coleman          Kathy Cook  
Anna Winch               Scott Petit  
Nancy Perrino            Carla Loftin  
Isabel Jackson          Bill Borellis  
Kaila                       Jackie Hallman  
William "Woody"  
    Miskelly  
Bryan  
Chris Beechler  
Jim Keenan  
Craig Smith  
Victims of Domestic  
    Abuse  
Carol Aquino  
Deacon Chris  
Lucas DiSano  
Tom Clark  
Fr. Dale  
Jim Marquis  
Carl Walker

### Please contact the Church

- To add a name to the perpetual prayer list
- To remove a name when prayers have been answered
- To add names to other lists on this page or to make corrections

## We pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed:

3 Valnue Horstman  
4 John Graves  
5 Charles R. Weiss, Sr.  
6 Merritt Bruker  
7 James Barton  
10 Marie Davis  
10 Sandra Ruth Thomas  
10 Kimberly Woeber  
12 Ida Difonza  
13 Charles Edward Delionbach  
14 Elaine Bragg  
17 Carolyn Winegardner  
19 James B. Robinson  
21 John T. Sadler, Jr.  
22 David Beadles  
23 Steve E. Talbert  
28 Mary M. Allen  
29 Jane Parnell  
29 Jim Woeber  
30 Alice Gardner  
31 Irene Masek

## We pray for those celebrating birthdays:

3 Cassie Weiss  
7 Amy Weiss  
9 Bob Rothe  
12 Tom Foundas  
17 Karen Scharf  
22 Dr. Allen Kirchner  
28 Aaron Crossman  
28 Susan Thielemann-Freschi  
29 Zachary Perez

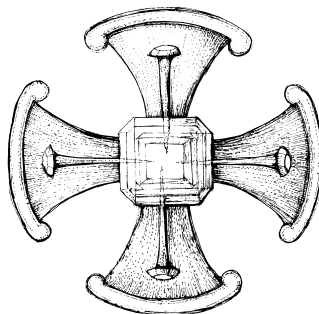
## We pray for those celebrating anniversaries:

18 Bill & Lorraine Morgan  
19 Michael & Ginny Hess

# St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church

Aiken, South Carolina

## Weekly Worship Schedule



Sunday	7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (with Music)
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Evening Prayer (Mary Chapel)
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Studies with Fr. Renegar
Friday	5:00 p.m.	Stations of The Cross

**Spiritual Direction and Confession available by  
appointment.**

### **WELCOME NEWCOMERS**

We welcome all newcomers to St. Augustine of Canterbury! We greet our visitors when on campus. You will find warm and friendly faces are present to answer your questions and help you to feel welcome. They can respond to any questions you many have about our church. We can also assist you in getting further involved in the church by connecting you with the right people in the area in which you are interested, such as Outreach, Music, Fellowship, Christian Education, and other ministries.