

The Fourth Sunday In Lent  
March 30, 2025

10:00 AM – Morning Prayer, Rite I

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We thank Roy McLeod for leading the service and preaching today while Gini+ is away.

We welcome all family and friends and invite you to join us in Denny Hall after the service for a time of fellowship.

LAY READERS – Roy McLeod, Bill Breed & Terry Brydon
ACOLYTE – Monroe Harrison
ALTAR GUILD – Leslie Eckmann, Lea Emory, Sharon LaLiberte, Lynn Novak, Becky Vestal
MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST – Rita Busse Gulliksen
COFFEE HOUR – in Denny Hall
NURSERY – Jenny Karluk
TELLER – John Kochensparger
USHERS – Ronnie Rice
VIDEO STREAMING TEAM – Gunnar Kohlbeck, Katie Harrison, Brent Deekens

When you pray, please remember the following church members:  
Susan Seaver, Sue Parsons, Nancy & Tom Dawson, Janet Showalter, Lucy & John Goode, Wally Groom, Jay Fiedler, Larry Rock, Les Fillgrove, Annette Sherman, Nancy & Connie Aasen, Kathleen Willey and Kay Hansell.

When you pray, please remember the following family & friends:  
Graham Lighthiser, Peggy Lighthiser, Grady Hebert, Dennis McArdle, Katie McFadden, Davis Spain, Scott Kirby, Carol Perenzin, Dawn McAnanaey, Jan, Barbara Akers, Barry Akers, Don Akers, Polly Akers, Brent Hodges, Ed Mulreany, Karl Grotos, Christy Darlington, Brian, Connie Rosenbaum, Tammy Smiley, Barbara Anderson, Ann Smith, Laura, Chip, Mary Ann Harlan, Wesley Ball, Lou Roeder, Dave Woods, George Holmes, Telly Noble, Lawrence Mitchell, Wyatt Nickle, Doug Reed, John DiFiglio, Doug Barnes, Rita Gilpin, Connie Smiley, Dee Dee Mitchell, Timmy Akers, Aaron Spicer, Chip Isbell, Glenn Webster, Martey Longmire, Caren Fields, Kim McFadden, Bob McCall, Bill Jines, Frank Morton, Joelle Cosby and Liz Plourde.

Happy Birthday to the following:			
Les Fillgrove	4/3	Bryan Godfrey	4/4
Happy Anniversary to the following:			
Mary Jean & Bruce Russell	3/31	Jan & Craig Akers	4/1
Sewell & Roy McLeod	4/4		

## Announcements

- ❖ **Sunday Morning Children's Time at 9:45 AM:** The children will meet in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **Tuesday Bible Study** will meet **Tuesday, April 1, at 9:30 AM.** Join Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/97704697365?pwd=TkhIMUtQbXhVMS9TeHVQazl5L0piZz09;> Meeting ID: 977 0469 7365; Password: 371567.
- ❖ **Morning Prayer: Wednesday, April 2, at 8:45 AM.**
- ❖ **Men's Bible Study: Wednesday, April 2, at 9:15 AM:** Please join us for coffee, doughnuts and lively conversation. Each week we will look at the lectionary readings for the following Sunday. This study will be for all levels of learners. We hope that you will join us.
- ❖ **Lenten Dinner & Program: Wednesday, April 2, at 5:30 PM.** Potluck. Please bring a dish to share.
- ❖ **First Friday Fellowship – Friday, April 4, at 5:30 PM. Host Needed!**
- ❖ **EYC Gathering – Friday, April 4, at 5:30 PM.**
- ❖ **Easter Flower Donation deadline: Sunday, April 6.**
- ❖ **Sit & Stitch Craft Night: Monday, April 7.** Bring any type of needlework, drawing, beading or handcraft to enjoy while socializing. Participants are welcome to bring snacks to share but it is not essential. We welcome visitors too. Bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship.
- ❖ **EYC Bowling Event: Friday, April 11, at 5:30 PM.**
- ❖ **Men of the Church Breakfast Meeting: Saturday, April 12, at 8 AM.** The program will be on the Chesterfield Parks & Recreation Activities available to the community. Our guest speaker will be Ms. Brooke Mays, Marketing Specialist with the Department. Ms. Mays will focus on community connection opportunities, physical activity, and exploring nature options offered by the department. Please plan to attend this very informative presentation, bring a friend, and of course enjoy a great breakfast!
- ❖ **Family Forum: Sunday, April 13, at 9 AM.** We will be making palm crosses for Palm Sunday.
- ❖ **Manakin Book Club: Tuesday, April 15, at 5 PM** in the Parlor. We will be discussing The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi, a novel set in 1950s India. We welcome newcomers!
- ❖ **Shelter Feeding Program: Saturday, April 26, at 9 AM** in Denny Hall. Many hands make light work as we assemble 115 bag lunches to be delivered to four homeless shelters in Richmond. All are welcome to join us! There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in Denny Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Elisabet Goodwyn at 804-512-6339 or [elisabet@agrotours.com](mailto:elisabet@agrotours.com).

- ❖ **Greeters Needed:** Please consider joining the Greeter team. Greeters are needed for the weekly services as well as for special services and events. Please contact Penny Sawyer at [pennyhsawyer@gmail.com](mailto:pennyhsawyer@gmail.com), 804-651-7858, or Christine Charbonneau at [cpcharbo@gmail.com](mailto:cpcharbo@gmail.com), 804-306-1351.
- ❖ **Backpacks Of Love:** We will be helping Backpacks of Love by collecting snacks such as fruit cups, applesauce cups, Go Go squeeze applesauce, snack crackers packets and proteins (pop-top cans of beefaroni/ravioli are especially welcome). Please place these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. **Join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of the month.** You can meet us at Manakin at **9 AM** or at the site at **9:30 AM**, 3035 Lower Hill Road, Powhatan. If you have any questions, contact Penny Sawyer at 804-794-5609.
- ❖ **Food Donations:** We continue to accept donations for the Powhatan Food Pantry. The collection bins are at the Denny Hall entrance. They appreciate all donations of nonperishable food items and current needs are Hamburger Helper, canned turnip greens, canned mixed greens, coffee and corned beef hash. If anyone has paper bags from grocery shopping, please add them to the bin. We would also appreciate drivers to deliver the food in the right bin to The Pantry on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays between 9-12 AM. Please send Betsy an email if you can assist with this. [Betsy.moore5@icloud.com](mailto:Betsy.moore5@icloud.com) Thank you for all your help.
- ❖ **Powhatan Animal Shelter** gladly accepts donations of dog food (wet/dry Pedigree or Purina Adult & puppy), laundry items (detergent/softener/dryer sheets/bleach), towels, blankets, toys (such as “Kongs”), treats, medium collars, harnesses, leashes and peanut butter. Please put these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. You can also support them with a monetary donation to their medical fund at Claws and Paws by phone at 804-598-8030 or send your donation to Claws and Paws with the note “Powhatan Animal Control Medical Fund” to 4313 Anderson Highway, Powhatan, VA 23139. Thank you!

## 2025 Lent Services and Programs

**Morning Prayer during Lent – Wednesday mornings at 8:45 AM**

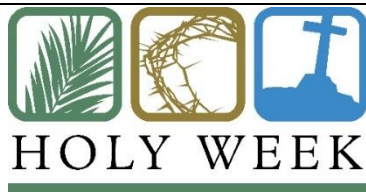
### **Wednesday Dinner Programs for Families: 5:30 PM**

Our family program will include watching portions of “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe” each week with a brief discussion on the theological references. Dinner and program will conclude by 7:15 PM.

**April 2 – Potluck – please bring something to share**

**April 9 – Chick Fil A – dinner provided**





#### April 13—Palm Sunday

8 AM—Holy Eucharist II  
9 AM—Family Forum—Making Palm Crosses  
9:45 AM—Sunday Morning Children’s Time  
10 AM—Liturgy of the Palms starting at the Bell Shelter

#### April 17—7 PM—Maundy Thursday

April 18—12 PM—Stations of the Cross in the Prayer Garden weather permitting  
7 PM—Good Friday Liturgy

#### April 20—Easter

8 AM—Holy Eucharist II  
10 AM—Holy Eucharist II

### Plastic Bag Recycle Program

Once again Manakin will join The Salisbury Garden Club to collect plastic bags through October. Our goal is to collect 1,000 pounds of plastic and to receive another bench for our Prayer Garden. **So far we have collected 220 pounds!** This is easy to do, and we can reach our goal if you all help us!



#### What can be recycled?

Grocery bags	Shipping envelopes
Bread bags	Ziploc and other reclosable food storage bags
Bubble wrap	Cereal bags
Dry cleaning bags	Case overwrap (such as paper towels and toilet paper)
Newspaper sleeves	Produce bags
Ice bags	

Once you have collected a good amount, simply take a picture of it, weigh it on your scales and take it to your local grocery store that is participating such as Kroger or Publix and place it in the recycle bin. Send your pictures and weight amount to Jean Hillsman at [jmhillsman56@gmail.com](mailto:jmhillsman56@gmail.com) and she will keep a record for us. Or, if you prefer, please bring your plastic donations to the church and place them in **the bin at the Denny Hall entrance**. Thank you for your help in reducing trash and protecting our environment while we gain another beautiful new bench.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Lent

### The Collect

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.*

### Old Testament: Joshua 5:9-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

### The Psalm

#### Psalm 32

#### *Beati quorum*

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \*  
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
I will guide you with my eye.

- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

### **The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

### **The Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked

what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Processional Hymn #620 – Jerusalem, My Happy Home

1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when  
2 Thy saints are crowned with glo - ry great; they  
3 There Da - vid stands with harp in hand as  
4 Our La - dy sings Mag - ni - fi - cat with  
5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God

1 shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows  
2 see God face to face; they tri - umph still, they  
3 mas - ter of the choir: ten thou - sand times would  
4 tune sur - pass - ing sweet, and bless - ed mar - tyr's  
5 grant that I may see thine end - less joy, and

1 have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
2 still re - joice in that most hap - py place.  
3 one be blest who might this mu - sic hear.  
4 har - mo - ny doth ring in ev - ery street.  
5 of the same par - ta - ker ev - er be!

Hymn #469 – There’s A Wideness In God’s Mercy

*Introduction*

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy like the wide - ness  
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than  
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure

of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his jus -  
up in heaven; there is no place where earth's fail -  
of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter -

tice, which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come  
ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given. There is plen - ti -  
nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were

for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good; there is mer - cy  
ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for  
but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word; and our life would

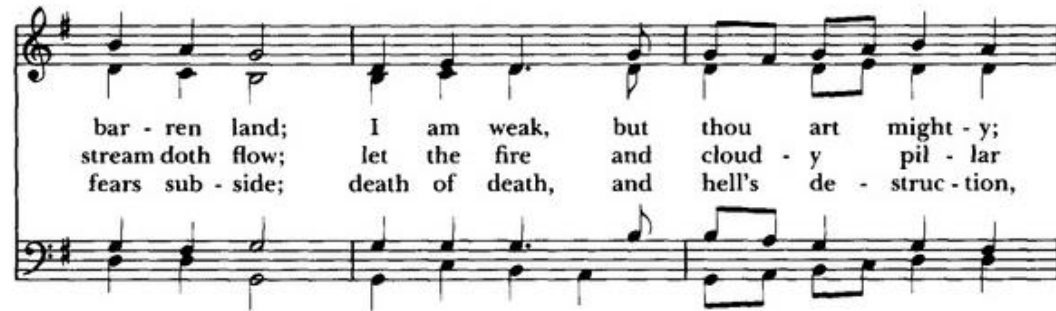
*Interlude/Conclusion*

with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.  
be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

## Closing Hymn #690 – Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah



1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;  
stream doth flow; let the fire, and cloud - y pil - lar  
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,



hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,  
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,  
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,



bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -  
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and  
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to