



Welcome to St. Aidan's! We are so glad you are here to worship with us. Please find the full texts in The Book of Common Prayer (red) and the words and music in The Hymnal (blue).

February 14, 2024 + Ash Wednesday + 7am+12noon+5pm

The Ash Wednesday Liturgy

The ministers enter in silence on Ash Wednesday.

The Book of Common Prayer 264

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen

The First Lesson: Isaiah 58:1-12

Hebrew Testament p. 533

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgements, they delight to draw near to God. 'Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?' Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator* shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:8-14 *Benedic, anima mea*

The Book of Common Prayer 733

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.

14 For he himself knows whereof we are made; *
he remembers that we are but dust.

13 As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

The Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10

New Testament p. 139

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. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn (5pm only) *Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round*

The Hymnal 617

The Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

New Testament p. 4

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Elizabeth P. Randall

The Imposition of Ashes

The Book of Common Prayer 264

Psalm 51

The Book of Common Prayer 266

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Offertory

“...to give and give and give again, what God has given thee”



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Offertory Hymn (5pm only) *Lord, who throughout these forty days*

The Hymnal 142

The Holy Eucharistic Prayer A

The Book of Common Prayer 361

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Sursum Corda

The Sanctus

The Great AMEN.

The Lord’s Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Fraction Anthem

The Invitation and Sharing of Holy Communion

Please come forward when the Usher indicates. To receive by intinction, please point toward the intinction plate and the clergy will hand you the consecrated bread that has been dipped in the consecrated wine. To receive from the common cup, take the bread in your hands, consume it, then take a sip from the chalice, guided by the chalice minister. If you prefer to receive only the bread, or to receive gluten free Holy Communion, please ask. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Hymn (5pm only) *Abide with me*

The Hymnal 662

Postcommunion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer 365

Celebrant and People pray together

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayer Over the People

The people respond by saying “Amen” and making the sign of the cross.

The Dismissal

The people are dismissed, and respond by saying

People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn (5pm only) *Now the day is over*

The Hymnal 42

Would you like to assist in our worship by reading or serving?

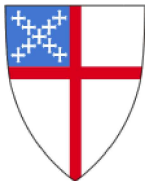
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Thank you for joining us today!



The Rev. Mary Kate Rejouis, Rector

The Rev. Steve Wengrovius, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Kay K. Cook, Retired

Mr. Wes Leffingwell, Music Director

Mr. Corey Priebe, Office Manager

Ms. Amanda Barker, Seminarian

Ms. Lindsey Anderson, Nursery Coordinator

The Rev. Jan Oller, Retired

Mr. Jerimiah Otto, Keyboardist

Ms. Katiann Nelson and Mr. Seth Tack, Choral Scholars

Home of Bread + Belonging Campus Ministry

Bread+Belonging Tuesday Dinner at 6pm--all students welcome!

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Our Ash Wednesday Preacher



Elizabeth Randall retired last year after serving as rector of St. Andrew's, Denver for 14 years. Before that, she served at St. John's Cathedral for fifteen years, first as Canon Educator and later as Cathedral Spiritual Director. In retirement, she spends much of her time caring for her toddler grandson.