

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL MEMORIAL CHURCH

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OUR DIVINE PURPOSE STATEMENT

WE BELIEVE that through Jesus Christ we are meant to faithfully and joyfully serve God and our neighbors.

WE WORSHIP as a community of believers who make people feel welcome from every walk of life. We value and welcome the diversity of all people.

WE SERVE seekers inside and outside the church to live in accordance with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT- *Our diocese includes traditional homelands of Dakota, Lakota, Nakota, Turtle Mountain Chippewa, Mandan, Hidatsa, & Arikara tribes. We acknowledge & understand this land was stewarded by people who lived here for thousands of years before the arrival of Europeans & express our appreciation for their continued faithful stewardship of this land*

Third Sunday in Lent

Morning Prayer

March 12, 2023

Prelude

Introit

Shalom, my friend

Choir

Hymn # 685 Rock of Ages

Toplady

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*

I will arise 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." *Luke 15:18, 19*

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

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.

The Priest alone stands and says

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.

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

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

Hymnal S-35 Venite

Venite *Psalm 95:1-7*

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

The Psalm

Insert

At the end of the Psalms is sung or said

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.

First Reading

Insert

The Second Song of Isaiah

Quaerite Dominum *Isaiah 55:6-11*

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; *
call upon him when he draws near.

Let the wicked forsake their ways *
and the evil ones their thoughts;
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will
have compassion, *
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, *
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, *
so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as rain and snow fall from the heavens *
and return not again, but water the earth,
Bringing forth life and giving growth, *
seed for sowing and bread for eating,
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth;
* it will not return to me empty;
But it will accomplish that which I have
purposed, *and prosper in that for which I
sent it.

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.

Second Reading

Insert

A Song of Penitence *Kyrie Pantokrator*

Prayer of Manasseh 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15

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 deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

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.**

A Collect for Sundays

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.**

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Hymn # 691

Olivet

My faith looks up to thee

At this time intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

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. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: 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.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant may then conclude with one of the following

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn # 690

Cwm Rhondda

Guide me, o thou great Jehovah

Postlude

Prayers, Calendar & Announcements

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH- *Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop; Tom, Provisional Bishop; Standing Committee Members; Steve, Diocesan Minister; Kim, Regional Coordinator for Episcopal Ministries in NW ND; Jess, Diocesan Administrator; Zanne, Canon; Beth and Ed, Deacons.*

PRAYER REQUESTED -*Dolly, Nancy E., Marllys, Ron & Carol, Mike B., Mary S., Tom O*

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND PEACE *We pray for peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray for a just peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray that the lives of innocents and the lives of any human child of God will be spared. We pray that our leaders will find a diplomatic way, a nonviolent way of solution. But we don't know how to pray as we are. So, the Spirit must intercede for us at this time.- The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church*

FLOWER DEDICATIONS-*If you would like to dedicate flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, contact either Sherrie Hopkins (ratherbesewing@hotmail.com) or Krista Reynolds (haykrew@bis.midco.net). Sundays available: March 12, 19, April 30, May 14, July 2, 16, 30, August 27, October 8, 29, and December 10, 17.*

CALENDAR:

Sunday, March 12	10:00 AM Morning Prayer, Deacon Ed Wos – preacher
Monday, March 13	5:00 PM Book Study
Wednesday, March 15	5:30 PM Evening Prayer, followed by Potluck, Deacon Beth Lipp No Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, March 19	10:00 AM Morning Prayer, Deacon Beth Lipp - preacher
Tuesday, March 21	11:00 AM Centering Prayer
Wednesday, March 22	5:30 PM Evening Prayer, followed by Potluck, Deacon Beth Lipp 6:45 PM Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, March 26	10:00 AM Worship
Wednesday, March 29	<u>5:30 at United Church of Christ</u>

Join us for Taizé, a prayerful musical service, on **Wednesday, March 29, at 6:30 p.m. at Bismarck United Church of Christ, 1200 E Highland Acres Rd, Bismarck.** This is a jointly planned service with St George's. A soup supper will be served prior to the service at 5:30 p.m.

LEADERSHIP

MINISTERS

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Provisional Bishop, Diocese of North Dakota	Tom Ely
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Vestry ('24)	Jason Thoms
Vestry ('24)	Jacinda Simmons
Vestry ('25)	Jannelle Combs
Vestry ('25)	Dan Dailey
Vestry Clerk ERD Haiti Outreach UTO	Andrea Stomberg

'23 CONVENTION DELEGATES: Janelle Combs, Allison Hiatt, Traci Juhala, Joanne & Elton Lassiter, David Martin, Collette Rudolph, & Shirel Zillier; ALTERNATES: Kate Hanlon, Jacinda & Jody Simmons, & Steve Tillotson