



HOLY EUCHARIST
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Lent 2024: Create in us a New Heart

THE AMERICAN CATHEDRAL IN PARIS
SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD, 2024
11:00 A.M.

ORDER OF SERVICE

The customary Organ Voluntary will be omitted.

All are invited to stand, as able, as the Procession enters the Cathedral.

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

All are invited to sit.

AN EXHORTATION

Beloved in the Lord: Our Savior Christ, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood as a sign and pledge of his love, for the continual remembrance of the sacrifice of his death, and for a spiritual sharing in his risen life. For in these holy Mysteries we are made one with Christ, and Christ with us; we are made one body in him, and members one of another.

Having in mind, therefore, his great love for us, and in obedience to his command, his Church renders to Almighty God our heavenly Father never-ending thanks for the creation of the world, for his continual providence over us, for his love for all mankind, and for the redemption of the world by our Savior Christ, who took upon himself our flesh, and humbled himself even to death on the cross, that he might make us the children of God by the power of the Holy Spirit, and exalt us to everlasting life.

But if we are to share rightly in the celebration of those holy Mysteries, and be nourished by that spiritual Food, we must remember the dignity of that holy Sacrament. I therefore call upon you to consider how Saint Paul exhorts all persons to prepare themselves carefully before eating of that Bread and drinking of that Cup.

For, as the benefit is great, if with penitent hearts and living faith we receive the holy Sacrament, so is the danger great, if we receive it improperly, not recognizing the Lord's Body. Judge yourselves, therefore, lest you be judged by the Lord.

Examine your lives and conduct by the rule of God's commandments, that you may perceive wherein you have offended in what you have done or left undone, whether in thought, word, or deed. And acknowledge your sins before Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life, being ready to make restitution for all injuries and wrongs done by you to others; and also being ready to forgive those who have offended you, in order that you yourselves may be forgiven. And then, being reconciled with one another, come to the banquet of that most heavenly Food.

And if, in your preparation, you need help and counsel, then go and open your grief to a discreet and understanding priest, and confess your sins, that you may receive the benefit of absolution, and spiritual counsel and advice; to the removal of scruple and doubt, the assurance of pardon, and the strengthening of your faith.

To Christ our Lord who loves us, and washed us in his own blood, and made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father, to him be glory in the Church evermore. Through him let us offer continually the sacrifice of praise, which is our bounden duty and service, and, with faith in him, come boldly before the throne of grace and humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant

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*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

All are invited to kneel, as able.

God of all mercy, **we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

All are invited to remain kneeling and sing.

KYRIE *Sung by all*

Healey Willan
(1880-1968)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

All are invited to sit.

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17 (NRSV)

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE PROPER PSALM 19 *Caeli enarrant*

George Nicholls
(b.2000)

The Antiphon is sung first by the Choir and then repeated by all, as indicated.



Let the words of my mouth and the med-i - ta - tion of my heart be ac-cep-ta-ble in your sight.

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world. **Antiphon.**
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent. **Antiphon.**

- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults. **Antiphon.**
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer. **Antiphon.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (NRSV)

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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All **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN: 360, "Only-begotten, Word of God eternal"

ROUEN

All are invited to turn toward the Gospel Book for the reading.

THE GOSPEL: John 2:13-22 (NRSV)

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John

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

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

Silence for reflection.

All are invited to stand, as able.

NICENE CREED *Said by all*

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM V

Intercessor

In peace, let us pray to God saying, God, have mercy.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark, our Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O God,

God, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, O Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O God,

God, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda. In the Convocation Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Old Catholic Church of the Union of Utrecht. We pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples. For all the victims of violence in Ukraine, the Middle East, and all areas of the world at war, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For this Cathedral community, here in Paris and across the globe, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you O Christ, our God.**

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

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

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The monetary gifts in the Sunday offering plate help us to discern and realize God's call for The American Cathedral in Paris. Please use the Offering Envelope for gifts by cash or check. To make gifts via the "virtual, electronic" offering plate, please scan this QR code or visit amcathparis.com/donate.



Les dons monétaires pour la quête du dimanche nous aident à discerner et à soutenir l'appel de Dieu pour la cathédrale américaine de Paris. Veuillez utiliser l'enveloppe d'offrande pour les dons en espèces ou par chèque. Pour faire des dons via la quête « virtuelle ou électronique », merci de scanner le QR code ou de vous rendre sur amcathparis.com/donate.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes*

William Byrd
(1543-1623)

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes: and I shall keep in unto the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of thy commandments: for therein is my desire. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies: and not to covetousness. O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity: and quicken thou me in thy ways. O stablish thy word in thy servant: that I may fear thee. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, and is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. [Text: Psalm 119:33-38]

All are invited to stand and sing.

PRESENTATION HYMN: 140, "Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I begun"

DONNE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer C)

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
Celebrant 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.**
Celebrant 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.**
Celebrant 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.**

The Celebrant continues

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 AND BENEDICTUS *Sung by all*

Healey Willan

(1880-1968)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

— in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

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,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Celebrant continues

Lord God of our Holy and Righteous Forebears; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; 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.

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

The Celebrant continues

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.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER, *said by all in their own language*

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| 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. | Notre Père qui es aux cieux, que ton Nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous soumetts pas à la tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal. Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, pour les siècles des siècles. Amen. |
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(organ) *All*
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. *(organ)* O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us.
(organ) O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world,
(organ) grant us thy peace.

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE COMMUNION

L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale.

ALL are welcome to share in the Eucharist, the feast of the Lord's Supper. Communion is administered today at the altar rail.

You are invited to kneel or stand at the altar rail. In either case, please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. The wine follows; please drink from the cup as it is extended to you. We are not allowed to permit dipping the host in the chalice.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available for those who need them. Please ask the priest who is distributing bread at communion.

Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew. Sadly, we must be concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.

COMMUNION MOTET: *Ave verum corpus*

Stephanie Martin
(b.1962)

Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of all. From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood: be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary. Have mercy on me. Amen. [Text: 14th century Eucharistic Hymn attributed to Pope Innocent VI]

COMMUNION HYMN: 313, "Let thy Blood in mercy poured" JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *All are invited to stand, as able and pray,*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Clergy Bow down before the Lord.

All are invited to kneel, as able. The Celebrant continues,

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All are invited to stand, as able.

HYMN: 148, “Creator of the earth and skies”

UFFINGHAM

THE DISMISSAL

Response **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please preserve the silence of the sanctuary as you leave.

SERVING TODAY: *Preacher:* The Very Rev. Patrick Malloy; *Celebrant:* The Very Rev. James R. Harlan; *Assisting Priest:* The Rev. Canon Hailey Jacobsen; *Canon Precentor and Director of Music:* Zachary Ullery; *Organist:* Andrew Dewar; *Organ Scholar:* George Nicholls; *Choir:* The Cathedral Choir; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Jeanne Fellowes, Thomas Xavier-Martin, Ann Dushane; *Lectors:* Andrew Aitken, Allison Lafontaine; *Livestream Production:* Arthur Girard; *Ushers:* Jill Andrei, Bill Tompson, Rhoderic Bannatyne; *Vestry Person in Charge:* Elizabeth Haynes.

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Bienvenue and Welcome!

Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris. We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here. Building on our past and our journey towards inclusion, we strive to create a future of faith, love, and charity. Let's do it together. Give us a call, send an email, or find us at coffee hour—we can't wait to get to know you.

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Livestreaming: Please note that we are livestreaming this service. If you do not wish to appear on the livestream, please sit behind the first five pews. Thank you.

Bulletin announcements: Please send through any announcements for the bulletin to communications@americancathedral.org by midday on Wednesday.

Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Sara, Reece, Sarrinah, Reece, Shaista, Mohammad and family, Marilou, Anne, Annie, Barry, Blandine, Alex, David, Hervé, Elizabeth, Melissa, Jeremy, Françoise and Eleanor.

We pray for those who have died, especially Alice, Dr. James Woodham, Peggy, Donny and Mary Lou Hessler.

We pray for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine and all areas where there is conflict.

We pray for the congregation of Saint Luke's Episcopal Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda.

In the Convocation Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Old Catholic Church of the Union of Utrecht.

Prayer requests may be sent to us at communications@americancathedral.org.

Children and Youth

Welcoming and fully including babies, toddlers, and their families at our Cathedral: Join Sunday School Director Andrew Aitken and Canon Hailey Jacobsen, **today at 12:30 p.m.** for a conversation in the Fleetwood Room about welcoming and fully including babies, toddlers, and their families at our Cathedral.

We are especially interested in learning from the recent and current experiences of those with children aged 4 years old and under and would like to share some ideas and hear feedback on ministry with our youngest members and their families.

For more information, or if you have anything that you would like to share but cannot attend, please contact Andrew Aitken on sundayschool@americancathedral.org and Canon Hailey canon@americancathedral.org.

Sunday School: During the school term we meet in the Fleetwood room from 10:45 a.m. to around 11:45 a.m. when Communion is served in the 11:00 a.m. service. All children from ages 3 to 10 years old are welcome to attend. Please contact Andrew Aitken on sundayschool@americancathedral.org for more information.

Youth Group: All youth in grades 6^{ème}/ 6th grade through 11^{ème}/ 12th grade are welcome at Youth Group. Contact Canon Hailey on canon@americancathedral.org or Youth Leaders Adrien & Mélanie LeSure youth@americancathedral.org for more information.

Holy Week 2024: Create in us a New Heart

Please join us online and in person for Holy Week for the following services in addition to our regular services. Everyone is welcome. Please note that the Cathedral will be closed during the week **April 1st- 6th**. The Cathedral will remain open for AA meetings and for the Célébration Eucharistique (MEFR) on April 6th.

Palm Sunday | Sunday, March 24th

- 11:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist with procession from Place de la Reine Astrid (online and in person)

Wednesday, March 27th: Prayer with The Rainbow Ministry (in person only)

- 9:00 a.m. | Morning Prayer
- 12:00 p.m. | Noonday Prayer
- 6:00 p.m. | Evening Prayer
- 9:00 p.m. | Contemplation and Compline

Maundy Thursday | Thursday, March 28th

- 7:30 p.m. | Holy Eucharist with washing of feet (online and in person)

Good Friday | Friday, March 29th

- 12:00 p.m. | Sung Passion with Communion from the Reserved Sacrament (online and in person)

Holy Saturday | Saturday, March 30th (Please note that incense will be used during this service)

- 8:00 p.m. | Easter Vigil (online and in person). Join us for drinks and canapés after the service.

Easter Day | Sunday, March 31st

- 9:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist (in person only)
- 11:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist (online and in person) | After the 11:00 a.m. service: Easter Egg Hunt (for children aged 10 years and under- no reservation required)

Lent 2024: Create in us a New Heart

In addition to our regular Sunday morning and midweek services, there are plenty of other moments to join us for worship during Lent:

Wednesdays at the Cathedral with The Rainbow Ministry

Join us during Lent (February 14th - March 30th) for inclusive, bilingual prayer. Everyone is welcome!

Wednesdays at :

- 9:00 a.m. | Morning Prayer
- 12:00 p.m. | Noonday Prayer
- 6:00 p.m. | Evening Prayer
- 9:00 p.m. | Contemplation and Compline

Les mercredis à :

- 9h00 | La prière du matin
- 12h00 | La prière de midi
- 18h00 | La prière du soir
- 21h00 | Les complies

Rejoignez-nous pendant le Carême (du 14 février au 30 mars) pour du prière inclusif et bilingue (anglais-français). Tou.te.s sont les bienvenu.e.s

Easter Flowers 2024

You are invited to participate in the annual Easter Flower Fund to decorate the Cathedral with flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one or several loved ones. The deadline to participate is Friday March 22nd.

To donate and dedicate flowers, please use the special envelopes found in the pews or visit <https://amcathparis.com/donate> (or scan the QR code)– making sure that you note the donation is for Easter Flowers and to whom the flowers are dedicated.



Praying Lent with The Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe

Pray as you can, not as you can't

(Online on Zoom: 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. CET time)

Wednesdays during Lent from February 21st.

During Lent, the Canon for Spiritual Development, Ali Gray, will be hosting 5 weekly sessions on Zoom to help deepen our prayer lives. For the Zoom link, please scan the QR below. The sessions will be relaxed, gentle and invitational. We will practice centering prayer and journaling, the Examen, Lectio Divina, imaginative prayer and praying with art and poetry. They will last 90 minutes and will include time sharing our experiences- both struggles and joys, introduction to, and guided practice of each mode of prayer, and finish with compline.

All are welcome, for one session or every week. There's no need to book, just turn up. For more information, please contact Ali Gray on agray@tec-europe.org. **Join Eli Harlan on March 6th as she leads the session on the theme of "Praying with Art."**



Good Friday Offering, special online concert to support Middle East ministries

As The Episcopal Church's Good Friday Offering prepares to mark 102 years, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry invites the whole church to an afternoon of sacred music and collective giving to support siblings in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

The concert will air online at **3 p.m. ET March 29th** on The Episcopal Church's [Facebook page](#) and [website](#). Viewers will have the opportunity to make donations during the event to go toward the offering, also frequently gathered by churches during Good Friday services.

"We will not forget those caught in the crossfire between warring factions in the land where our Lord walked," Curry writes in his [annual Lent letter](#) to Episcopal churches. "As we mark our Lord's passion and death on Good Friday, we remember those whom he loves facing injustice and oppression today, and remember the urgency of love—true, sacrificial love."

Confirmation And Reception Happening on Pentecost | Sunday, May 19th

Confirmation is the sacramental rite of making a mature and public commitment in the Episcopal Church to living out your Christian faith. For those who have already been confirmed in another Church, Reception is the public rite (which looks and sounds very similar to Confirmation) of officially joining the Episcopal Church. The next opportunity for Confirmation and Reception will be on Pentecost, Sunday, May 19th.

For adults who would like to be Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church, preparation will happen during the Easter Season leading up to Pentecost.

Sign up by Palm Sunday (March 24th). Please contact Canon Hailey (canon@americancathedral.org) to sign up or for more information.

Jazz Vespers | Lent | Sunday, March 10th at 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for our monthly service of Jazz Vespers on Sunday, March 10th at 6:00 p.m. This beautiful service of music, poetry and scripture will focus this month on Lent and our preparations for Holy Week.

Please note that this service will be available in person only.

Les Dimanches Musicaux | Today at 3:00 p.m.

Please join Les Arts George V this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. for their free concert series, Les Dimanches Musicaux, featuring Sylvain Devauxon on the oboe and Ariane Bacquet on the oboe and English horn.

For more information, please visit <https://lagv.org/>. All are welcome. No reservation needed.

Paris Choral Society Concert | Carl Rütti's Requiem

Thursday, March 21st at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 23rd at 6:00 p.m.

Swiss composer Carl Rütti's (b.1949) music blends English choral tradition with other genres, including jazz and the blues, in rich and colorful textures. His music combines dazzling rhythms, soaring melodies and distinctively lush harmonies, often using two keys simultaneously. Relentless, driving rhythms co-exist with quietly shimmering soundscapes.

Of his Requiem, a 2007 commission from the celebrated Bach Choir, the composer writes that 'no words are strong enough to express the feelings of the bereaved, nor sufficient to explain what will await us after death. Music may be the most appropriate language'.

Scored for soprano, baritone, double choir, strings, harp and organ, Rutti's Requiem ultimately affirms life's precious fragility – with, at the end, a solo voice fading into the distance as the soul enters heaven.

PCS is proud and delighted to present this wonderful work for the first time in France.

Tickets are available on the Paris Choral Society website (<https://parischoralsociety.org/>) or by scanning the QR code.



Music Notes | A Multitude of Voices

To create a fuller and more inclusive picture of the richness of our musical heritage, we will be exploring music composed by women, BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color), and other historically under-represented composers.

Canadian composer and conductor **Stephanie Martin** is associate professor of music at York University's School of the Arts, Media, Performance, and Design. She directs Schola Magdalena, a women's ensemble for chant, medieval and modern music. She is conductor emeritus of Pax Christi Chorale, and past director of music at the historic church of Saint Mary Magdalene in Toronto. Martin holds degrees from the University of Toronto, Wilfrid Laurier University, and is an Associate of the Royal Canadian College of Organists. In York University's *School of Arts, Media, Performance and Design* she teaches music history, composition, harpsichord and organ, and coaches historical ensembles.

Music Notes | The Presentation Hymn

In an effort to create a new experience in communal worship, we will be singing a hymn at the presentation that hopefully no one knows. This experience allows us as a worshipping community to experience something new together. So please remember to make a joyful noise...even if it feels unfamiliar and a little uncomfortable!

The Presentation Hymn for the liturgical season of Lent is "Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I begun" (140). This John Donne poem was written during an illness in 1623. **Can you spot the homonym of the author's name found in the last line of every stanza?** The poem was later set to music as a song commissioned by the author. The tune **DONNE** was composed by John Hilton and is reminiscent of a Renaissance lute song.

Safeguarding

As part of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, The American Cathedral in Paris is committed to assuring that all people are treated with respect and that no one is abused, harassed, or taken advantage of in any way. We are especially committed to assuring the safety of children and those adults who may be particularly vulnerable.

We adhere to the Convocation's Safeguarding Policy, and a member of our congregation is appointed as the Safeguarding Officer. If you have any concerns at all, please know that they are available to speak with you.

Our Safeguarding Officers are Angelina Stelmach and William Tompson. Please contact them with any questions or concerns at safeguarding@americancathedral.org.

Support Our Community | Stewardship

Join in the Stewardship of Our Cathedral Home: Pledge Today!

An enormous thank you to the over 140 households who have so far pledged to support our Cathedral in 2024! We are still trying to reach our goal of over 180 pledging households. We need everyone to join in at every size pledge to make sure we can do everything we hope in 2024. There is still time to pledge!



To learn more, email Canon Hailey at canon@americancathedral.org or Stewardship Co-Chairs Anne Pouret and Chris Barnes on pledge@americancathedral.org.

Support Music at the Cathedral via Les Arts George V

Les Arts George V (LAGV) supports the music at the Cathedral in many ways: among them **hosting Les Dimanches Musicaux (LDM) and encouraging sponsorships and donations**. Half the proceeds of LDM go to the Cathedral music program. For sponsorships and donations, remember that in France, while LAGV receives 100% of your gift, you will receive 66% as a deduction on your income tax.



Three Things to Know

Want to find out more about the Cathedral? Tours are available **today** and every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month after the 11:00 a.m. service. RDV in the Martyrs' Chapel.

Please join us **this evening at 6:00 p.m. (in person only)** for our monthly service of **Choral Evensong** sung by the Cathedral Choir. This is a unique service to Anglican worship, rooted in musical traditions from 16th-century England. This style of worship, rare to find in France, offers a meditative end to the day.

Join Sunday School Director Andrew Aitken and Canon Hailey Jacobsen, **today at 12:30 p.m.** for a conversation in the Fleetwood Room about welcoming and fully including babies, toddlers, and their families at our Cathedral.

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