



St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

The Rev. Leanne Beaumont

March 30, 2025

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



Prelude:

The Service of the Word

Processional Hymn: Ancient Words

*Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world.
They resound with God's own heart; O, let the ancient words impart.*

*Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope.
In this world where'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.*

*Refrain: Ancient words, ever true, changing me, and changing you.
We have come with open hearts, O let the ancient worlds impart.*

*Holy words of our faith, handed down to this age,
Came to us through sacrifice; O, heed the faithful words of Christ. (Refrain)*

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

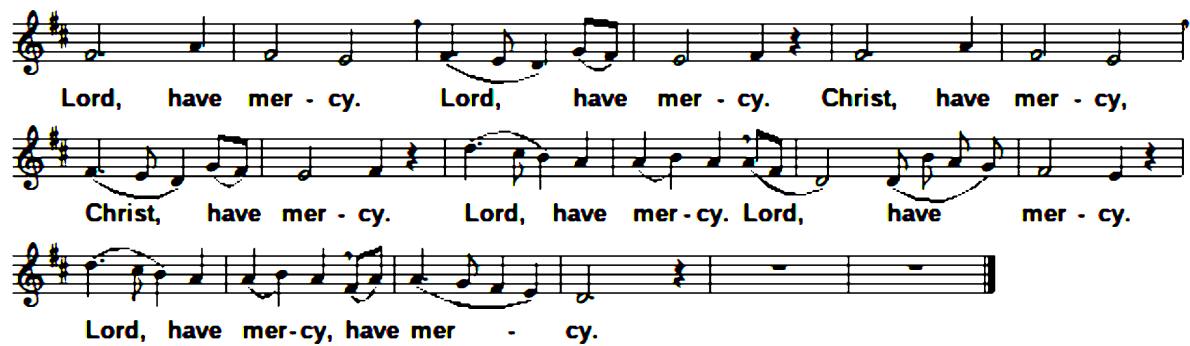
All—Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

11:00am—the Children are invited to Children's Chapel

Celebrant

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hung all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie

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Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy,
 Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer-cy, have mer - cy.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

The First Lesson—Joshua 5:9-12

Lector: A reading from the Book of Joshua.

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.

Lector: Here endeth the Reading.

Psalm 32:6-12

Lector: 9am—The psalm will be sung responsively by half verse, lead by the choir.

11am—The psalm will be spoken responsively by half verse.

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

Lector: A reading from the second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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.

Lector: Here endeth the Reading.

Sequence Hymn: Amazing Grace (Hymn 671, vs. 1-3)

New Britain

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch; like me!

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

The Lord hath promised good to me, His word my hope secures;

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

The Holy Gospel

Stand as you are able.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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 fatted 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 fatted 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 fatted 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.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Leanne Beaumont

The Nicene Creed

**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.**

**The word "catholic" means universal or world-wide.*

Prayers of the People

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 383

Stand or kneel as you are able.

Celebrant

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Intercessor

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Lord, hear our prayer.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

Lord, hear our prayer.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort all those we name aloud or in our hearts, especially those on our prayer list _____ . We pray for all who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord, hear our prayer.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Mary, the Mother of our Lord, all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Silence

Confession of Sin

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 330

Celebrant

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that who so ever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

All are invited to come forward to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive is invited to kneel at the rail, cross their arms over their chest to receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to you or someone in the pews, please notify the ushers. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask the priest. All are welcome.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: As the deer

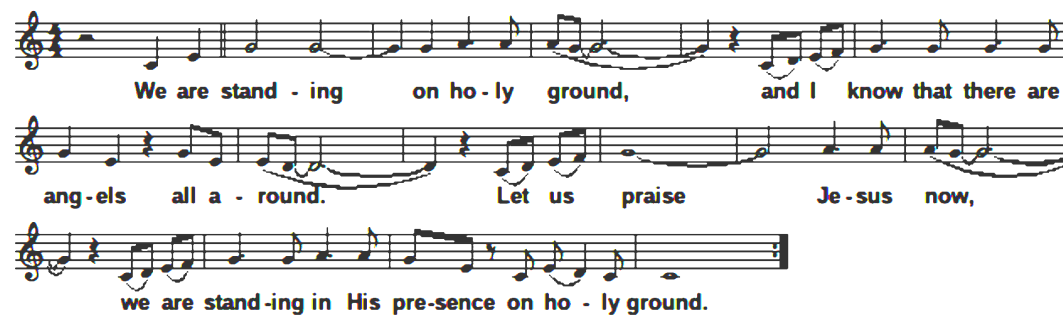
St. Mary's Choir

The Offertory

Please stand as the gifts are being brought forward.

Presentation of gifts: We are standing on holy ground.

Geron Davis



We are stand - ing on ho - ly ground, and I know that there are
ang - els all a - round. Let us praise Je - sus now,
we are stand - ing in His pre - sence on ho - ly ground.

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

The Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Hosts:
Heaven 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.

The people stand or kneel.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we will sing the Lord's Prayer,

All sing

The Lord's Prayer

Albert Hay Malotte

Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be
thy name. Thy king - dom come, Thy will be
done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And for - give us our debts as
we for - give our deb - tors. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de -
- liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the
pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei

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O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer cy up on us.
O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer cy up on us.
O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Celebrant

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.

Music at Communion: I am the Bread of life (Hymn 335)

Suzanne Toolan

Post communion Prayer

Let us pray.

All—Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn in Procession into the World: I want to walk as a child of the light (Hymn 490)

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The Dismissal: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

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Today:



**YOUTH
GROUP
EVENT**

**BREAKFAST
FUNDRAISER!**

JOIN US MARCH 30TH AT 10:00AM IN THE HALL

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

HELP OUR YOUTH EARN FUNDS
FOR THEIR PROGRAM

Next Sunday:

NOW SERVING
BREAKFAST



Join us at 10:00am for a delicious breakfast provided by The Men's Group

LET'S CONNECT!
 St Mary's is now on
INSTAGRAM
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STAY CONNECTED

The Sunday and Wednesday Worship Service sermons are now online: via email, YouTube, and on Facebook.

Also, please look for "A Moment With Mother Leanne" on the Friday email and online on Facebook and YouTube.

ST MARY'S WISHES TO SUPPORT OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

St Mary's Youth Group

Wednesday Evenings in the Rectory
 February, March, and April

5:30pm dinner
 6:00pm-7:00pm Youth Group

Food*Fun*Formation

Contact Mother Leanne for more information
prieststmarys@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Adult Formation Classes

IN PARISH HALL

Please join us beginning February 5th!

FEB, MAR, & APR
5:30-7:00 PM

LIVING DISCIPLESHIP
 CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

ALL ARE WELCOME

YOUTH/ADULT
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School—All children are invited to Sunday School at 10:15am in the hall, for fun activities!

Children's Chapel at 11am—The children will leave the church and go to Children's Chapel (Hall).

Vestry Meeting—The St. Mary's Vestry will meet April 22, in the rectory.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS AT ST. MARY'S

WEDNESDAYS

Centering Prayer, 10:15am, in the church. Contact Caroline Thompson for information-cthompson57@gmail.com or 850-572-6130.

Adult Bible Study, 11:00am, in the hall. All are invited to the Bible study. Please join us!

Midweek Holy Eucharist, Prayer & Healing Service, Noon, in the church, all are welcome!

Youth Group, 5:30pm-7pm, in the rectory. All youth ages 13 to 18, and Jr. Youth ages 9 to 12, are invited to attend—bring along a friend! Dinner will be provided.

Adult Formation, 5:30pm, in the hall. This is an informal time of discussion about various books and lessons of the bible. All are invited.

St. Mary's Choir & Bell Choir, The choir meets at 5:30pm, in the church. The Bell Choir meets at 6:30pm in the church. Come sing & ring! Please speak with Sam Klauss, Choir Director or Jean Gillis Bells Director.

THURSDAYS

St. Mary's Food Pantry—The food pantry is open from 9am to 10:30am, in the hall.



Alleluias Jar!

Our beloved Alleluias are resting in peace until Easter Sunday when they will be resurrected with the help of our St Mary's children.

We all make mistakes! If you say Alleluia before Easter Sunday please add \$1 per oops to the Alleluia Jar at the back of the church.

Funds collected will be used to fund the St Mary's Children's Ministry programs.

Feeding the 5000 Sunday – *Next Sunday!*

At the 11am service, the children will pull the wagon of food donations to the altar for a special blessing.

Lenten Request

Feeding the
5,000

*You are invited into a time of giving for our food pantry ministry during Lent:
40 food items for the 40 days of Lent.*

God bless you as you bless others.

All non perishable food items are appreciated.

Holy Week at St Mary's

April 13th, 9:00am & 11:00am - Palm Sunday - Procession of the Palms led by Wanda the Donkey

April 17th, 6:00pm - Maundy Thursday - Foot Washing Service with Taize Music

April 18th, Noon - Good Friday - Stations of the Cross

April 19th, 6:00pm - Holy Saturday - Service of the Light

April 20th, 9:00am & 11:00am - Easter Sunday Worship Services

10:00am - Easter Brunch provided by St Mary's, Portraits with baby lambs

Easter Egg Hunt after the 11:00am Worship Service



Ministers for Sunday Service

March 30—Youth Breakfast Fundraiser

9:00am

Eucharist Minister: Ann Cole

Acolytes: Phillip Odom

Lectors: Jean Gillis

Intercessors: Mark Starr

Ushers: Adam & Charles Willis

11:00am

Eucharist Minister: Candy McGuyre

Acolytes: Neil Rowe, Julie Hotmer-Drao

Lectors: Dave Chaney

Intercessors: Mark Starr

Ushers: Shirl Rollo, Pam Causey

April 6—Men's Host Breakfast

9:00am

Eucharist Minister: Al Salinas

Acolytes: Phillip Odom, Ann Cole

Lectors: Mary Salinas

Intercessors: Jennifer Reeves

Ushers: Melodie Rowland & Maureen O'Donnell

11:00am

Eucharist Minister: Candy McGuyre

Acolytes: Julie Hotmer-Drao, Neil Rowe

Lectors: Angel Zandi-Karimi

Intercessors: Heather Lindsay

Ushers: Shirl Rollo/Ted Reese

Prayer Requests

Family

Dawn McFadden
Dotty Johnson
Edith Reese
Ian Williams
Jessica Morawski
Jim Longshore
Jesse & Jennifer Reeves
Michael Johnson
Ray and Alice Etheridge
Sam Harris
Scott DeLoatch
Vicki Blackmon
Elise
Tucker
Arden
Sam Rowe
Wayne Hamilton

Our Friends

Betty Flowers
Elianna Shaffer
Christy Johnson
Clayton Shaffer
Gregg Bleamer
Mary Raisler
Minnie
Mary
Robin Nobles
Tommy

Military

Anthony Cunningham
Bradley James
Christopher Vance
Edward Estrada
Fischer Morgan Lay
Kevin Murphy
Lena Ryan
Leo
Lou Andrade
Joshua Krause
Nick Rinaire
Phillip Holmes
Tyler Hart
Tom Ryan

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