

Prelude Pastorale by J.S. Bach

Tolling of the Bell & Welcome

Standing, sung by all

Opening Hymn #493 vv.1-3 O for a thousand tongues to sing

Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie

Celebrant Lord have mercy upon us.

People **Christ have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Lord have mercy upon us.

Confession

BCP p. 41, Said by all

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, spare those who confess their faults, restore those who are penitent, according to the promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

Absolution

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Lesson Ephesians 5:8-14

Seated

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

1 The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

All **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

Standing, sung by all

Gradual Hymn #645 vv. 1-3 The King of love my shepherd is

The Gospel John 9:1-25

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I

went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.” The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.” So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Benjamin Phillips

Seated

The Nicene Creed

Standing, BCP p.358

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 Prayers of the People

Standing

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. We pray for the Universal Church, its members, and its mission.

We pray for our Nation and all in authority.

We pray for the welfare of the world, and those regions troubled by violence or unrest, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions, see list on p. 7

We pray for the needs and concerns of our local community.

We pray for all who are in need of healing or comfort, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions, see list on p. 7

We give thanks especially for those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries and other thanksgivings we name at this time...

The People may add their own thanksgivings, see list on p. 7

We remember those who have died in the faith.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Offering *You may give your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or give online stgeorgesdayton.org or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204.*

Offertory Music

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues with Preface... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

S125 Sanctus (Proulx)

Sung by all

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosannah in the highest, hosannah in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosannah in the highest.

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

At the conclusion, the people join, Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Prayer of Humble Access

Said by all

We do not presume to come to this your Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Directions for receiving Communion

- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer instead of drinking from the chalice, lay ministers with small intinction cups will be available on both sides. The larger chalices are only for drinking.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please pass the lay ministers and return directly to your pew.

Communion Music King of Kings by Hillsong

Prayer after Communion

Kneeling, said by all

Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank you for feeding us in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and therefore assuring us of your favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Solemn Prayer of Blessing

Closing Hymn Trust and Obey (LEVAS #205 vv. 1, 3, 4) *Standing, sung by all*

When we walk with the Lord In the light of His word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, But to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, Not a sorrow we share,
But our toil He doth richly repay;
Not a grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a cross,
But is blest if we trust and obey. *[refrain]*

But we never can prove The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor He shows, And the joy He bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey. *[refrain]*

Dismissal

Deacon says a dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Voluntary by A. Foote

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The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God

And in loving memory of
Cindy Emmel
on her birthday
by Jeff Emmel

And in loving memory of
My grandma, Mary Hodovan
Lindner, by Mary Elizabeth
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The Weekly Messenger

TODAY at St. George's ...

MARCH OUTREACH DRIVE

The March Outreach drive will be held TODAY, **Sunday, March 15** from **9am-1pm**. We will be collecting food items to donate to The Foodbank in Dayton.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Join us for our Annual Lenten Soup Supper TODAY, **Sunday, March 15** at **5pm** in the Undercroft. Bring along your favorite soup (in a crockpot), side dish, or dessert to share. We'll have water and lemonade provided. No sign-ups necessary!

DISCERNMENT YEAR UPDATE

Cal is leading worship at St. Francis' today. The next opportunities to join St. George's clergy at St. Francis' are:

- Maundy Thursday, April 2, 5:30pm—The Rev. Dr. Cal Lane
- Good Friday, April 3, 5:30pm—The Rev. Dr. Cal Lane
- Easter Sunday, April 5, 11am—The Rev. Dr. Cal Lane
- Sunday, April 12, 10:30am—The Rev. Ben Phillips
- Sunday, April 19, 10:30am—The Rev. Dr. Cal Lane

Visit stgeorgesdayton.org/Springboro/ to learn more.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL ENVELOPES

Easter flower memorial envelopes are available to pick up from the pews and Welcome Lounge. **Please turn in to the church office before Friday, March 27**, for the memorial names to be added to the Easter bulletin.

EDUCATION FOR ALL—10am

Full programming for all ages at 10am.

Upcoming and Ongoing ...

STATIONS OF THE CROSS—February 25–April 1

On Wednesdays at 12 Noon during Lent, we will offer Stations of the Cross, a 20-minute devotional which imprints Christ's passion on our hearts. You are welcome to bring a packed lunch and stay for fellowship afterwards.

EASTER BRUNCH—April 5

We will have a parish-wide Easter Brunch on April 5 at 10am in the Undercroft. Check out the Welcome Lounge for sign-ups.

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—June 17, 18, 19

Stop by the Welcome Lounge and check out the VBS volunteer board! VBS will be held June 17-19, 9am-Noon. Online participant registration opens **April 5**. Contact The Rev. Dr. Cal Lane with questions.



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