

was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings. Then they said, “Come, let us make plots against Jeremiah—for instruction shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, let us bring charges against him, and let us not heed any of his words.” Give heed to me, O Lord, and listen to what my adversaries say! Is evil a recompense for good? Yet they have dug a pit for my life. Remember how I stood before you to speak good for them, to turn away your wrath from them.

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

*Thanks be to God.*

**Magnificat** from Luke 1:46-55 (sung by the choir) Healey Willan (1880-1968)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, \*

and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For he hath regarded \*

the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth \*

all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, \*

and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him \*

throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; \*

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \*

and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, \*

and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, \*

as he promised to our forefathers,

Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; \*

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

**The Second Lesson** Matthew 20:17-28

While Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside by themselves, and said to them on the way, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified; and on the third day he will be raised.” Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favor of him. And he said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.” But Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?” They said to him, “We are able.” He said to them, “You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine

to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.” When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

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**Homily** The Rev. James B. Flowers

**Nunc Dimittis** from Luke 2:29-32 (sung by the choir) Healey Willan

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace \*

according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, \*

which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles \*

and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; \*

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

**The Apostles’ Creed**

Officiant and people together, all standing as able, sung in monotone

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,*

*maker of heaven and earth;*

*And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;*

*who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,*

*born of the Virgin Mary,*

*suffered under Pontius Pilate,*

*was crucified, died, and was buried.*

*He descended into hell.*

*The third day he rose again from the dead.*

*He ascended into heaven,*

*and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.*

*From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Ghost,*

*the holy catholic Church,*

*the communion of saints,*

*the forgiveness of sins,*

*the resurrection of the body,*

*and the life everlasting. Amen.*

**The Prayers** Rachel Aarons

The people stand or kneel.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All (sung in monotone) *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 thy 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. Amen.*

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant O Lord, save the State.

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant O Lord, save thy people.

Choir And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

**The Collects**

Officiant Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Choir Amen.

Officiant Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love.

Choir Amen.

Officiant Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love’s sake.

Choir Amen.

*The congregation may be seated.*

**Anthem** Lord, for thy tender mercies’ sake Richard Farrant (c. 1525-1580)

Lord, for thy tender mercies’ sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives. To decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart, from this time forth for evermore. Amen.

**Closing Hymn 24** The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended St. Clement

**The Dismissal**

**The Procession**

*Please remain in place until the procession is completed.*

*All donations received for tonight’s presentation will benefit the All Saints music program.*

Join us for Lenten Evening Prayer on the remaining Tuesday evenings in Lent: March 10, 17, and 24.

**Serving this evening:**

Lectors: Mary Robert, Michelle Blake

Altar Guild: Paula Reeves, LaVada Raouf, Gabby Posadas

Crucifer: Darrel Williams

**Upcoming schedule:**

Wed, Mar 4 8a Food Share distribution, Stirling Hall  
5p Prism, Youth Rm  
5:30p Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm  
6p Choral Evensong, church  
AA, Smith Rm

Thu, Mar 5 5:30p Prism, Youth Rm

Fri, Mar 6 4p First Light Community, Stirling Hall

Sat, Mar 7 11a Marilyn Owens funeral, church; reception follows in Parish House  
2p Prism, Youth Rm

Sun, Mar 8 7:45a Nursery opens  
8a Holy Eucharist, church  
9a Breakfast, Stirling Hall  
9:15a Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm  
9:15a-10:15a Godly Play, upstairs in Parish House  
9:30a Adult Sunday School, Smith Rm  
10:30a Holy Eucharist, church  
Reception follows, Parish House

**Holy Week schedule:**

Sun, Mar 29 Palm Sunday  
7:45a Nursery opens  
8a Liturgy of the Palms, chancel, followed by Holy Eucharist, church  
9a Breakfast, Stirling Hall  
9:15a Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm  
9:15a-10:15a Godly Play, upstairs in Parish House  
9:30a Adult Sunday School, Smith Rm  
10:30a Liturgy of the Palms, outside, Government Street side  
followed by Holy Eucharist, church  
Reception follows, Parish House

Thu, Apr 2 6p Maundy Thursday eucharist, with foot washing, church

Fri, Apr 3 12N & 6p Good Friday liturgy, church

Sat, Apr 4 9a Holy Saturday liturgy, chancel  
6:30p The Great Vigil of Easter

Sun, Apr 5 **\*\*No 8:00 worship\*\***  
No breakfast  
9:15a Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm  
No Godly Play; Easter egg hunt following church  
Adult Sunday School?  
10a Nursery opens  
10:30a Holy Eucharist, church  
Reception and Easter egg hunt follow, Memorial Garden

The service of Evensong is an evening prayer service with its roots in the early medieval Catholic Church, being developed during the English Reformation in part from the canonical hours of vespers and compline. Evensong follows a structure generally similar to what we sing tonight: canticles, a psalm, the Magnificat of the Virgin Mary and the Nunc Dimittis or Song of Simeon, as well as prayers for all people.

We are a community of faith who seek to continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers; who seek to serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves; who strive for justice and peace among all people; and respect the dignity of every human being. *Baptismal Covenant, BCP, p.304*

If you are visiting please make yourself known to us either face to face, via the information cards in the pew racks, or via email: [office@allsaintsmobile.org](mailto:office@allsaintsmobile.org)

Sign up for our parish newsletter! <https://www.allsaintsmobile.net/the-herald/>

New to The Episcopal Church? Here are a few websites that can help explain our style of worship and any unfamiliar terminology (watch any videos later):  
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/dfms/what-to-expect-when-you-visit/>  
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/organizations-affiliations/lgbtq/>  
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/racial-reconciliation/>  
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/>

**Please keep in your prayers . . .**

**For healing for:** Barbara Michell, Missy Foose, Salma Heath, Mona Ganoe, Rose Yurcisin, Lacey Bowcock, Hursey Smith, Terry, Kaky Hughes, Judy Boswell, Sheridan Hinton, Lily O., Byron & Kay Cruthirds, Marie Quinn, Amy & Clay Carmichael, Debbie Boelte, Penelope, Kevin, Donna Bowcock, Paul Dagenais, Evi Valera, Curran Foose, Michael Laird, Joan, Ben Wilson, Mary Robert, Carolyn Thornton, Stephen Rollins, Peggy Barnett, the Simpson family, the Landrum family, James Lee Quinn, Monica Thompson, Mary Hunter Slaton, Dana Pollock, Cora Lou Robinson, Karen Bullock, Buck Baker, Lequita Adkins, Phyllis Smith, Bryan LaPorte, Will Strickland, Sue Elledge, Lister Thomas, Nick Nichols, Jan Cade, Serena Willcox, Claudia McClure, Caden Gray, Mary, Richard Cade, Jr., Hannah Pullins, Cora Cade Lemmon, Becky Wilson, Rose Ellen Stanbery, Adele Smith, Marcia Wyatt, Jacky Bell, Eve Morrison, Colleen, Ann Wesley, Staci Smith, Andi & Bruce Barrett, Ken Buford, Dottie Dunnam, Gwyn Brantley, Mark Kidd, Lynn Koors, Mary Rose, Preston Griffith, Jan Irving, Hoagy, Tom Root, Shannon, Regina, Brian Davidson, Debra Guyton, John Gibson Baylor, Jr., Rita Foust, Haley, Jill, Jennifer Smith, Shannon Cook

**For those who serve in the armed forces:** especially Bernie Waters, David Palmer, David L. Ritter II, Ethan Roberts, Thomas Roberts, Matt Abbot, Trevor Thiel

**For those who have died,** especially Lilly Olsen.

*\*Please notify the church office by the last Wednesday of the month if you wish your prayer concern to continue to be listed.*

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**EVENSONG  
6:00 PM  
March 4, 2026**

**Welcome to All Saints! We begin worship in holy silence.**

*Please silence all cell phones. In the tradition of the church, prayer posture is standing or kneeling. Our preference at All Saints is standing, but kneeling is acceptable. The red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) & the blue Hymnal 1982 are in the book rack in front of you. Hymn numbers preceded by "S" are found in the front section of the hymnal. Words written in ***Bold Italics*** are said by the congregation.*

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*All stand as able at the tolling of the bell, and remain standing through the first hymn.*

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Rachel Aarons (b. 1984)*

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips:

*Choir* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us:

*Choir* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

*Choir* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord:

*Choir* The Lord's name be praised.

**Hymn 36** *O gladsome light, O grace*

*Le Cantique de Siméon*

*The congregation may be seated.*

**Psalm 31:9-16** *(sung by the choir)*

*Thomas Attwood Walmisley (1814-1856)*

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; \*

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; \*

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,

a dismay to those of my acquaintance; \*

when they see me in the street they avoid me.

I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; \*

I am as useless as a broken pot.

For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; \*

they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. \*

I have said, "You are my God.

My times are in your hand; \*

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*

and in your loving-kindness save me."

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; \*

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

**The Lessons**

**The First Lesson**

*Jeremiah 18:1-11, 18-20*

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay