

# Welcome to **St. John's Cathedral**



March 11, 2018 - 11 a.m.  
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

LOVE *at the* CORE.



## Welcome to St. John's Cathedral!

St. John's Cathedral has always stood on this very spot, Billy Goat Hill, the highest geographical point in Jacksonville. When the population began moving out of the downtown area in the 1960s, this congregation felt strongly that God was calling us to stay here in the heart of the city. Since that time, the Cathedral has birthed ministries to care for the homeless, the children and the elderly and to promote the arts, education and healthcare.

We are now striving to create a vibrant neighborhood around Billy Goat Hill—Cathedral District Jax—a place where diverse peoples of many income levels can live and grow together. We believe that by worshiping and serving God in the urban core, we can catch a glimpse of God's love.

We believe that worship should be beautiful and sacred, a moment to hush the hurriedness of our lives and experience the peace of God. I hope that you feel God's love this morning.

Faithfully,  
The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead,  
Dean

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Very Rev. Kate Moorehead, Preacher and Celebrant

*A joyous and warm welcome to our visitors and guests. Please know how happy our Cathedral community is to have you worship with us. We'd love to know our guests, so please fill out a visitor card and drop it in the offering plate. Thank you for silencing your cell phone.*

Voluntary                      Chorale Prelude on *O Mensch, beweine dein Sünde gross*                      J. S. Bach

Introit                      Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts                      Henry Purcell

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not Thy merciful ear unto our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and most merciful Savior, Thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not at our last hour, for any pains of death to fall from Thee. Amen.

In Procession, Hymn 645      “**The King of love my shepherd is**”                      *St. Columba*

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Celebrant*                      Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People*                      His mercy endures for ever.

*The Celebrant says*

**“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*

*The Celebrant then says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*The People kneel. Silence may be kept. The Celebrant and People say*

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

*The Celebrant stands and says*

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

*The People remain kneeling and sing:*

The Kyrie                      Hymnal S-91                      Healey Willan

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*                      The Lord be with you.

*People*                      And also with you.

*Celebrant*                      Let us pray.

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 People are seated.*

The Lesson

Ephesians 2:1-10

*Lector* A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*A period of silence for reflection follows the reading.*

*The Psalm is read in unison.*

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, \*  
and his mercy endures for ever.

Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim \*  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

He gathered them out of the lands; \*  
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; \*  
they were afflicted because of their sins.

They abhorred all manner of food \*  
and drew near to death's door.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their distress.

He sent forth his word and healed them \*  
and saved them from the grave.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his children.

Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

*A period of silence for reflection follows.*

Hymn 686

“Come, thou fount of every blessing”

*Nettleton*

The Gospel

John 3:14-21

*Gospeler* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

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

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead

*A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

*The People stand.*

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 Prayers of the People

*During the Prayers of the People, the People's responses are in italics.*

O God, you are always true to us in love, help your whole Church to become more like you, to grow in love and in service to you. Lord in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort the sick and the suffering, Lord Christ. Be with the lonely and with those who mourn. Embrace the souls of those who have died. Lord in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Bring peace to the world, O Christ, for only you can bring reconciliation between nations and peoples. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the leaders of this nation in the ways of justice and peace. Help us all to listen to one another with open minds and hearts, to communicate, to articulate and to learn from one another. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Help us to preserve and cherish this beautiful earth that you have given us. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Keep us faithful, O Christ, in this season of Lent, that we may be enriched by the practices and disciplines that we have adopted during these forty days. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## The Peace

*All stand as the Celebrant says*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Welcome

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*As the Altar is prepared for Communion, representatives of the congregation collect the offerings of the People. You may also text the dollar amount of your gift to 904-584-3116. The People stand when the offerings are brought forward and placed on the Altar.*

### The Offertory

Ave verum corpus

W. A. Mozart

Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary.  
Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for man,  
Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood,  
Be for us a foretaste in the test of death.

*The People stand when the offerings are brought forward and placed on the Altar.*

### Hymn 573

“Father eternal, Ruler of creation” (St. 1& 3)

*Langham*

### The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

Book of Common Prayer

*Celebrant* The Lord 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 him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The Celebrant and People sing*

Hymn S-114

Healey Willan

The - by - ho - ly - ho - ly - Lord God - al - Most:  
 Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry -  
 as he - re - thine 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. The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

*People and Celebrant*

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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*The Celebrant and People sing.*

Hymnal S-158

Healey Willan

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*The Celebrant continues*

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.)

***Please join us at God's table.***

*All baptized people are welcome to receive communion. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing. If you would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest. You are also invited to receive prayers and anointing with holy oil in one of our transept chapels (Ascension to the south, and Holy Communion to the north) where anointers wait to pray with you.*

Music at Communion

Organ

Prelude on *St. Columba*

Healey Willan

Hymn 440

“Blessed Jesus, at thy word”

*Liebster Jesu*

Him holy, in him abide. Eternal soul in him you hide. All your sin on God laid bare,  
 receiving life he longs to share. Him holy, in him abide, O Christian souls his body live.  
 How in him to Father make the sacrifice of Incarnate. Him holy, in him abide, heaven  
 home in him alive. Holy love one body make, joying souls new blessing wake.

### Postcommunion Prayer

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The People kneel. The Celebrant and People say*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Blessing

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

### Announcements

In Procession, Hymn 665

“All my hope on God is founded”

*Michael*

### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
 Thanks be to God.

*People*

Voluntary

Chorale Prelude on *Wer nur den lieben Gott lasst walten*

J. S. Bach

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*The greens at the High Altar and Cummings Chapel are given to the glory of God.*

# SERMON NOTES

## CERVENY SPEAKERS SERIES: MARCH 17 & 18

Dear Friends,

Bishop Frank Cerveny was the sixth Bishop in the Diocese of Florida and served for 18 years (1974–1992). Before that, he was **the fifth Dean of St. John’s Cathedral**. His **ministry has had a** lasting and profound impact on many of us. Last year, some of our parishioners decided that we needed to find a way to honor him. We quietly began a campaign called Preserve and Proclaim: Honoring The Rt. Rev. Frank Cerveny.



*The Rt. Rev. Frank Cerveny*

We raised pledges for the Preservation Fund to endow our **beautiful building, and specifically to endow our pulpit in Frank’s** honor. In addition, many donors also contributed to a Proclaim Fund (Cerveny Speakers Series), so that we could create a small endowment to bring great preachers, writers and speakers to the Cathedral each year in perpetuity.

**We launched the Cerveny Speakers Series last fall. Our first speaker was Frank’s son, The Rev. Billy** Cerveny, who preached a powerful sermon about what it was like to grow up as the son of a Dean and Bishop in this Diocese. Our second speaker, Jan Karon, will be with us March 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Jan is the author of the New York Times bestselling Mitford novels. As famous as she is, Jan is also a good friend of the Cerveny’s and is coming free of charge as a love-offering to them!

At the Meet & Greet, Saturday, March 17, Jan will converse with me and you will have the opportunity to greet her. Saturday will also feature a Mitford-style tea hosted by the Daughters of the King. Then, Jan will return to preach at the Cathedral on Sunday morning at the 9 and 11 a.m. **services. She’ll be sharing the story of her faith**—a story she has not shared publicly before.

I invite you to join us in honoring Bishop Frank Cerveny. Join us in hearing Jan Karon, a great speaker and writer. And, join us in supporting Preserve and Proclaim Honoring The Rt. Rev. Frank Cerveny with a donation to the Preserve and Proclaim Fund. When you give online, please specify in the memo field whether you want to donate to the Preservation Fund or the Proclaim Fund (Speakers Series). We give thanks for a great leader in our church and for the opportunity to honor him.

**In Christ’s love,**  
Kate+

Remember to RSVP for the Meet & Greet with Jan Karon on Saturday, March 17. The event is free, but an RSVP is requested so that we may best accommodate you!  
RSVP to [rsvp@jaxcathedral.org](mailto:rsvp@jaxcathedral.org)

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