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# The Second Sunday in Lent

March 16, 2025 | 8 & 10:30 a.m.

## WRESTLE



What do you promise God?

## WELCOME

We are so glad that you have come to the Cathedral. We would love to get to know you. If you would like to learn about our community, please fill out a connection card that can be found in front of your seat. You can place the card in the silver offering plate that passes by half way through the service or simply hand it to an usher. You can also go to our website at [jaxcathedral.org/welcome](https://jaxcathedral.org/welcome) and fill out a welcome card online.

### CHILDREN

We love having children join us and they are always welcome in worship. The Hakimian Nursery is staffed with trained caregivers for babies and toddlers up to 3. The nursery is open on Sundays from 9 a.m. to Noon.

We are so thankful for the gift of children in worship! We embrace their energy and joy they bring to our church family. To help keep their hands and minds engaged during the service, Blessings Bags are available on the Narthex rack. They contain quiet activities and materials to enhance their worship experience. Feel free to borrow one during the service and return afterward so they can be shared with others. If you need a quieter space, a sitting area with a live stream of the service is available near Taliaferro Hall. Ask an Usher for directions. Thank you for making worship a family experience!

### PASTORAL CARE

If you or a loved one is in need of prayer, in the hospital, or wish to receive home communion, please call the church at (904) 356-5507 to let us know. St. John's clergy and chaplains are on call every day and will respond quickly and confidentially. If you are unable to attend services in person, licensed eucharistic visitors are available to bring you communion upon request. If you need to reach us after hours, dial the number above and select option 4 to

be connected with clergy. You may also submit requests through the cathedral website: <https://jaxcathedral.org/pastoral-care>

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#### Sunday Programs during the 9 a.m. Education Hour

##### **Breakfast, Taliaferro Hall**

*Stop by for coffee and breakfast. Take it to your class or enjoy it in the Sunday Flex Café.*

##### **Digital Disciples, Zoom**

*Sign up links for this online class are sent in the Eagle and by email on Sunday mornings.*

##### **Dean's Forum, Taliaferro Hall**

*Wrestle with Faith: Getting Strong for Difficult Days*

##### **Engage @ Jax Cathedral, Burwell Court**

*Join us as we explore Lent, the Episcopal Church, and ways to engage at the Cathedral. Led by Tom & Linda O'Dell.*

##### **Children and Families Program, Ingram Lounge**

*A casual and interactive Family Service will be held on the first Sunday of every month beginning at 9 a.m. On all other Sundays, families will find a haven in the Sunday Flex Café. Drop in as you please from 9 to 10:15 a.m. Grab some breakfast and unwind in cozy surroundings while children (ages 4 through 5th Grade) engage in creative activities.*

##### **Undercroft open for Teens**



## ✠ THE HOLY EUCHARIST ✠

### Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue on *O Traurigkeit, o Herzeleid*, Johannes Brahms

*At the sound of the bell, all stand.*

### Introit (10:30 a.m.)

Let thy merciful ears, Thomas Mudd

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

### In Procession, Hymn 401 (8 a.m. St. 1-3)

“The God of Abraham Praise”  
*Leoni*

## ✠ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:  
People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Celebrant Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.” -*Mark 12:29-31*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All kneel.*

**All 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.**

Celebrant 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 Kyrie *(spoken in unison)*

**Lord, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant    The Lord be with you.  
**People       And also with you.**

Celebrant    Let us pray.

*Silence.*

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*All sit.*

## The Lesson

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Reader       A reading from the Book of Genesis

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

Psalm 27

**The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?**  
**When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.**  
**Though an army should encamp against me, yet my heart shall not be afraid;**  
**And though war should rise up against me, yet will I put my trust in him.**  
**One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;**  
**To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.**  
**For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.**  
**Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.**  
**Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord.**  
**Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.**  
**You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I seek.**  
**Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.**  
**You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.**  
**Though my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord will sustain me.**  
**Show me your way, O Lord; lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.**  
**Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.**  
**What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!**  
**O tarry and await the Lord's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; wait patiently for the Lord.**

*All stand.*

**LEVAS 106** (*St. 1-2*)

Take my hand, precious Lord

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

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

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

LEVAS 106 (*St. 3*)

Take my hand, precious Lord

*All sit.*

The Sermon

The Very Rev. Kate Moorehead Carroll

*A period of silence is kept.*

The Nicene Creed

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: 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

Leader Eternal and Merciful One, we thank you that you have given us the gift of life. Help us to be generous like you and to use our resources for the benefit of others.

In your great mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We ask you to bless the sick, the poor, the lonely and outcast, the immigrant and refugee and all those who find themselves without a home.

In your great mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We ask you to guide the people of this nation, that we may serve justice and promote the dignity of every human being.

In your great mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We ask you to guide us in caring for this beautiful earth that you have given us.

In your great mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We ask you to bring peace among races and people, among all the nations of the world.

In your great mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We ask you to embrace the souls of those that we love who have died.

In your great mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

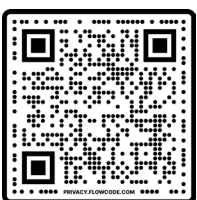
## The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

*Greet one another with the peace of Jesus.*

## Welcome and Announcements



As the altar is prepared for Communion, please place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed. You may also give by texting jaxcathedral \$(amount) to 73256. Or use the QR code to give online. Thank you for your generosity.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Offertory Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

If the Lord had not helped me, Edward C. Bairstow

If the Lord had not helped me, it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence. But when I said, My foot hath slipt, Thy mercy, O Lord, held me up. In the multitude of the sorrows that I have in my heart: Thy comforts, O Lord, have refreshed my soul. For the Lord is my refuge, and my God is the strength of my confidence. God is my refuge. If the Lord had not helped me, it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence. But when I said, My foot hath slipt, Thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.

*Brad May, baritone*

## LEVAS Hymn 136

“I have decided to follow Jesus”

## The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching our Worship I

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

## Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Liat Chung Ham

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; praise and hon - our are yours, for you a - lone are

1. wor - thy to re - ceive the glo - ry and praise. 2. praise. Lord, re -

ceive the glo - ry and praise. Lord, re - ceive the glo - ry and praise.



*All stand or kneel.*

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

**All** Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: *(spoken at 8 a.m., sung at 10:30 a.m.)*  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

*Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your 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.

*All who long for God are welcome to receive communion. Please let clergy know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by folding your arms across your chest. If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come to the altar, please ask an usher for assistance. A socially distant communion table is set in the chapel to the left of the altar (the North Transsept). Intercessory prayers may be received at the Baptismal Font.*

## Music at Communion (10:30 a.m.)

Gospel Offering

Worship Medley, Marvin Sapp  
Carla Tedford-Foreman, soloist; Alex Jackson, accompanist

Motet

Adoramus te, G. P. da Palestrina

Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we praise Thee forever, for on the Holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world from sin.

## Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

**All** **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

*All stand.*

## In Procession, Hymn 495

“Hail thou once despised Jesus”  
*In Babilone*

## Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

## Voluntary

Christ, who makes us blessed, J. S. Bach



*The flowers at the High Altar are given to the Glory of God.*

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Love at the Core is our motto; it refers to the heart of who we are. For nearly 200 years, St. John's Cathedral has sought to lead people in worship and community service here in the urban core of Jacksonville. We believe that through beauty, art, and worship we can draw people into community to experience God's love and serve those in need. We are a diverse congregation that welcomes all people. You are welcome to learn about the love of Jesus with us.

### Our Clergy



**The Very Rev.  
Kate Moorehead Carroll**  
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**The Rev. Canon  
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Associate Priest for Welcome  
and Engagement

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## **Getting Strong for Difficult Days**

This Lent, our Dean's Forum will equip us to wrestle with life's difficult questions and deepen our faith.

Join Dean Kate and guest speakers as we explore practices that strengthen us for the journey ahead. Equip yourself with prayer, reflection, and spiritual tools to face life's challenges with courage and grace.

**SUNDAYS AT 9 A.M.  
TALIAFERRO HALL**

*Schedule of Topics and Speakers:*

### **TWELVE STEPS FOR ALL**

#### **March 6 — John Roberts**

Discover how the wisdom of the Twelve Steps can guide anyone seeking spiritual growth and healing.

### **ART AS PRAYER**

#### **March 16 — Linda Privitera**

Explore creativity as a powerful form of prayer and connection to God.

### **DISCERNING GOD'S WILL**

#### **March 23 — Christopher Martin**

Learn practical tools for listening and responding to God's call in your life.

### **SPIRITUAL JOURNALING**

#### **March 30 — Owene Courtney**

Deepen your spiritual journey through the practice of reflective writing.

### **SPIRITUAL DIRECTION**

#### **April 6 — Joe O'Shields**

Discover how spiritual direction can help you navigate life's challenges with grace and wisdom.

## ∞ WEDNESDAYS AT THE CATHEDRAL

### **11 a.m. – Growing through the Word**

A lectionary Bible Study led by Deacon Sandra in the Busey Conference Room.

### **12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. – Lunch**

Enjoy a delicious meal in Taliaferro Hall.

### **11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. – Holy Living: Discerning God's Will for Your Life**

Your faith, quite literally, can make you well. This class will take you through the basics of the beliefs and practices of the Episcopal Church. Meet in Ingram Lounge.

### **12:10 p.m. – Holy Eucharist**

Midday healing service in Cummings Chapel

### **5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. – Dinner**

Join us in Taliaferro Hall for a community meal.

### **6 p.m. – Classes & Small Groups**

Holy Living: Discerning God's Will for Your Life in Ingram Lounge (same content as morning)

Art Class in the Painting Place

### **7 p.m. – River City Mindfulness**

Dooly Library

## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LUNCH AND FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Every Sunday, 11:30-12:30

Please join us for food and fellowship in Taliaferro Hall following the 10:30 service.

### EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT

The ERD provides relief in times of disaster and promotes sustainable development by identifying and addressing the root causes of suffering to communities around the world. To donate today, scan the QR code.



### RETHREADED T-SHIRT DRIVE

Rethreaded is a local non-profit that helps survivors of human trafficking reclaim their lives through employment and holistic services. During this Lenten season, you can participate in a T-shirt drive to help make a difference in the life of a survivor here in your own community! During lent, we will keep a donation bin outside of Ingram Lounge where you can place your donated shirts. Thank you for your continued generosity to our community!

### WRESTLE: AN ART EXHIBITION BY DR.

LINDA PRIVITERA

**March 2-April 20**

We invite you to experience our newest art exhibition: Wrestle. This powerful and contemplative collection explores the depth of struggle, reflection, and spiritual insight, offering a unique Lenten journey through art.

### CENTER FOR WELL-BEING: OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday, March 16**

**Following the 10:30 a.m. service**

Join us on the newly-renovated third floor and explore the new space. Light refreshments will be served.

### NEW MEDITATION CLASS

**Begins Monday, March 17, 2 p.m.**

**Weekly, Room 304**

Meditation is a universal spiritual practice found at the core of all great religious traditions. Learn a silent meditation using a mantra, sacred word or phrase that

leads us from the mind to the heart. For more information, contact Carol Whitefield (RN M.S.N. HNB-BC, NC-BC) at [chope586@comcast.net](mailto:chope586@comcast.net).

### JAZZ IN THE GARDEN

**Friday, March 21, 5:30-7 p.m.**

**Burwell Court**

Enjoy a relaxing evening with wine, charcuterie, and live music from the North Florida Quartet. A \$10 donation is suggested.

### GRAND ULTREYA

**Friday, March 21-Saturday, March 22**

**Camp Weed**

Join the St. John's Cursillo family and others from our Diocese at Camp Weed for a weekend of food, fun, and fellowship. We will share Eucharist and seek inspiration through music and faith workshops. Come experience the love of Jesus in community!

### ART OF DISCERNMENT

**Saturday, March 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

**Taliaferro Hall, \$25**

Led by Rev. Christopher Martin, this one-day workshop will provide practical insight to encourage you to be in a small group that helps you discover God's will for your life. Reverend Martin will also be featured as a guest preacher on Sunday, March 23, sponsored by the Cerveny Speaker Series.

### ART@NOON ZOOM MEETING: PART II OF 3-PART STAINED GLASS DISCUSSION SERIES

**Thursday, March 27, 12-1 p.m.**

Join ART@noon for the second edition of a three-part discussion about stained glass. We will be discussing early and contemporary stained glass artists.

(Unless noted otherwise, please register to attend events at [jaxcathedral.org/events](http://jaxcathedral.org/events))



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