# E S S A RI I S H E D 1729 &

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY 3 APRIL 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

Welcome and Announcements

### THE WORD OF GOD

### **Opening Acclamation**

Book of Common Prayer p. 323

The Collect for Purity p. 323

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.** 

Kyrie eleison p. 324

The Collect of the Day p. 167

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### The Lesson: Isaiah (43:16–21)

*The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 659* 

### Commentary:

Isaiah reminded his readers that the God predicting the future was the same God who in power, love, and faithfulness had delivered His people from Egypt. God did not want them to forget what He had done, nor did He want them to think His only act of redemption was in the past. God promised to do a new thing for Israel, something so astounding that even the animals would acknowledge the Lord's goodness to His people. This time, instead of turning a sea into dry land, God would turn the dry land into waterways. God would do this not because the people deserved it, but because the God who holds the past and the future is faithful to all His promises.

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

### Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

### The Gospel of the Lord.

### Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr.

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