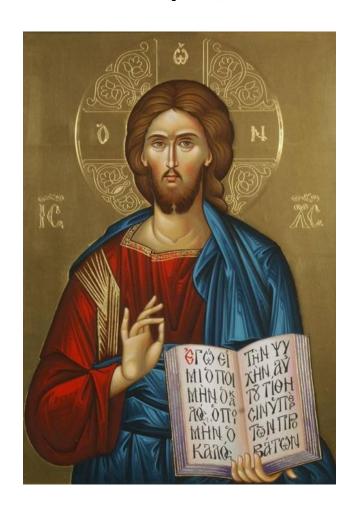
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany Feast of Absalom Jones, transferred

February 11, 2024



The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

10:00 am





WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S BY-THE-SEA EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We extend a warm welcome to everyone, and especially any visitors who may be worshiping with us today. If you do not already have a church home, please feel welcome to join this Parish family.

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcomed to the table to receive Holy Communion.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES.

— PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK —

We pray for those who have asked our prayers: Abigail, Angie, Annette, Autumn, Betty, Caroline, Chris, Chris, Corey, Diane, Donna, Douglas, Elinor, Felix, Gary, Greg, Jackie, Jean, Jill, Jim, Joel, Joy, June, Kamryn, Laura, Liz, Matthew, Melvin, Michelle, Muriel, Rodney, Roger, Rosalie, Sarah Grace, Scott, Joy, Sue, Susan, Thomas, Tom, Tyler, Vincent;

We pray for those who have died; and all those grieving the death of a loved one, that they may they find comfort and peace;

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Erik, John, Matt, Robert, and Stephen;

We pray for the unemployed and underemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who suffer chronic illness, and for all caregivers;

We pray for our companion diocese of Torit in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; and for mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples, especially those whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters, terrorism, war, gun violence, famine, tyranny, or injustice; praying especially for the innocent in Israel and in Palestine;

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Andrew's, Saltaire; The Standing Committee of the Diocese; All Saints', Bayside; Church of the Advent, Westbury; Bushwick Abbey; Christ Church, Babylon; Christ Church, Brentwood;

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer this week we pray for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa; and these Dioceses of Churches of the Anglican Communion Worldwide: Calabar (Nigeria); Calcutta (India); Caledonia, Calgary (Canada); California, Northern California (USA).

— PARISH NOTICES —

BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES ON THURSDAYS AT 10:00AM IN THE LIBRARY/LOUNGE. ALL ARE WELCOME!

WE ARE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS . . . for Power Washing, Painting, and Light Carpentry work. If you have these skills, or would like to learn and exercise new ones for a pledge of your time and talent, please contact Brian Clark!

PLAN NOW TO JOIN US FOR A MARDI GRAS PARTY ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 BEGINNING AT 6PM. Dinner will be partially catered by "Big Daddy's" in Massapequa, but we'll also have an opportunity for you to show off your "Down Home" Cookin' techniques. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex. \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children under 12 years of age.

THE DAY AFTER MARDI GRAS IS ASH WEDNESDAY, THE BEGINNING OF LENT. Our Ash Wednesday services will be at Noon and at 6pm on Wednesday, February 14.



CAN'T GET DOWN TO THE BIG EASY (NEW ORLEANS)

FOR MARDI GRAS THIS YEAR?

THEN PLAN TO JOIN US

AT ST. PETER'S FOR A SPECIAL
"DOWN HOME" CELEBRATION!



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CATERING BY "BIG DADDY'S" WITH ADDITIONAL POTLUCK OFFERINGS.



SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX.



Laissez les bon temps roule



CHILDREN UNDER 12: \$10



February 11, 2024 – Last Sunday in Epiphany (B) The Absalom Jones Fund

What is the Absalom Jones Fund?

The Absalom Jones Fund for Episcopal HBCUs supports two institutions affiliated with The Episcopal Church since the 1800s: Saint Augustine's University in Raleigh, North Carolina, and Voorhees University in Denmark, South Carolina.

In 1804, Absalom Jones became the first African American to be ordained a priest in The Episcopal Church. His witness to the way of Jesus included efforts to abolish slavery and to lift up all those cast down. He understood that education is the key to empowerment. We honor Absalom Jones by supporting our HBCUs, which prepare the talented leaders who will continue the work of building a more just and humane society.



ABSALOM JONES FUND

What is an HBCU?

Historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs) were founded to create dynamic, supportive, and empowering educational environments for young people from diverse backgrounds. Today there are more than 100 HBCUs in the United States, including public and private institutions and professional schools of law and medicine.

According to a study published by the United Negro College Fund, today's historically Black colleges and universities are responsible for producing approximately 70 percent of all Black doctors and dentists, 50 percent of Black engineers and public school teachers, and 35 percent of Black lawyers.

Why support our Episcopal HBCUs?

Voorhees University and Saint Augustine's provide an excellent liberal arts education to thousands of students, the majority of whom come from low-income households, and over 40% of whom are the first in their families to attend a four-year college. The Gospel work of education and emancipation, evangelism and formation, reconciliation and commitment to a just and humane society and world is happening at these schools! Yet in today's economic and political climate, HBCUs increasingly struggle to secure the funds they need to maintain their facilities, retain excellent faculty, and provide much-needed student financial aid.

Collect for the Feast of Absalom Jones

Set us free, heavenly Father, from every bond of prejudice and fear; that, honoring the steadfast courage of your servant Absalom Jones, we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of the children of God, which you have given us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II The Word of God

Voluntary Chorale Prelude on "All glory be to God on high"

J. S. Bach

Announcements

Hymn at the Procession

The Hymnal 1982, #137

Wareham

O wondrous type! O vision fair!



Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1848-1866), alt. Music: *Wareham*, melody William Knapp (1698-1768); alt.; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, after James Turle (1802-1882); desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947). Descant by permission of the Royal School of Church Music.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Song of Praise Gloria in excelsis

All glory be to God on high

The Hymnal 1982, #421 Allein Gott



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The Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Set us free, heavenly Father, from every bond of prejudice and fear; that, honoring the steadfast courage of your servant Absalom Jones, we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of the children of God, which you have given us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Isaiah 42:5-9

Lector A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 Sung by Choir and Congregation

Simplified Anglican Chant: Robert K. Kennedy



- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of | Zion, * then were we like those who | dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with | laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of | joy.
- 3 Then they said among the | nations, *
 "The Lord has done great things | for them."
- 4 The Lord has done great things for | us, * and we are glad in | deed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O | Lord, * like the watercourses of the | Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with | tears * will reap with songs of | joy.

Second Half of Chant:

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the | seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their | sheaves.

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Lector A reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

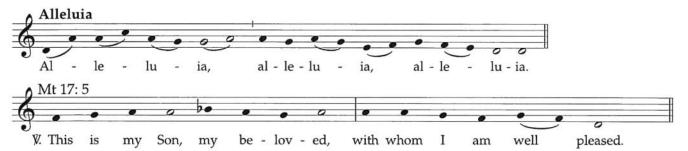
Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Anthem Rachel Aarons

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true and only Light, Sun of Righteousness arise! Triumph oe'r the shades of night: Day Spring from on high, be near; Daystar in my heart appear. Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee; joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see, till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart. Visit then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief! Fill me, radiance divein; scatter all my unbelief; more and more thyself display shining to the perfect day.

Following the anthem, the congregation stands for the Gospel Procession. The Alleluia is sung by the choir, repeated by all, and repeated again after the Verse.



The Gospel: John 15:12-15

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Doyle Dietz Allen

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

Celebrant

My siblings in faith, through the light of Christ let us behold the needs of the world and offer our prayers, saying, Lord, reveal your glory through us.

Intercessor

For the Body of Christ, its many members and ministries; for this parish and diocese; for the Episcopal Church and Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for the worldwide Anglican Communion and Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for all believers wherever they may be,

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, reveal your glory through us.

For this nation and for all nations; for nations and regions in conflict or facing catastrophe.

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, reveal your glory through us.

For Joseph, the President of the United States; Kathy, our Governor; for those serving in harms' way, especially Erik, John, Matt, Robert, and Stephen; and for all those who serve in civil leadership.

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, reveal your glory through us.

For those who suffer from illnesses of any kind; for those who are infirm, lonely, destitute or homeless; for those who are hungry and needy; for those oppressed by racism, sexism, homophobia, and every other exclusion; and for those whose needs we do not know,

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, reveal your glory through us.

For those we lift up in prayer, especially especially Abigail, Angie, Annette, Autumn, Betty, Caroline, Chris, Chris, Corey, Diane, Donna, Douglas, Elinor, Felix, Gary, Greg, Jackie, Jean, Jill, Jim, Joel, Joy, June, Kamryn, Laura, Liz, Matthew, Melvin, Michelle, Muriel, Rodney, Roger, Rosalie, Sarah Grace, Scott, Joy, Sue, Susan, Thomas, Tom, Tom, Tyler, and Vincent; and any others you might name silently, or aloud.

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, reveal your glory through us.

For those who have died.

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, reveal your glory through us.

For those for whom we give thanks, especially those we name here . . .

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, reveal your glory through us.

Celebrant

Lord Jesus Christ, you set your face steadfastly to go to Jerusalem: Deliver us from the temptation to shrink from the hard paths of a dutiful life. Make us ready to meet all the counsels of your will, and to be obedient even to death; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Birthday Prayer

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* where *he* may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* falls; and in *his* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Hymn at the Offering

Songs of thankfulness and praise

The Hymnal 1982, #135 Salzburg



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The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

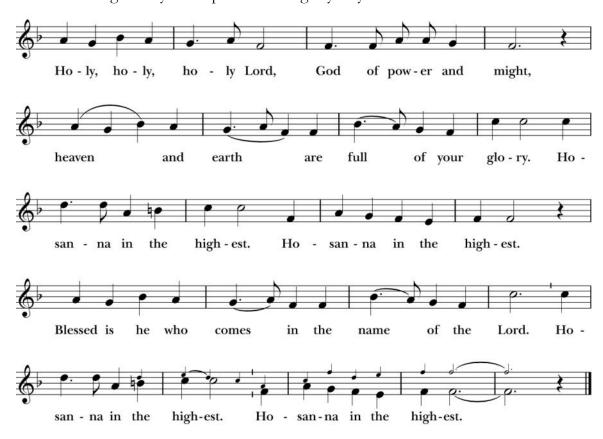
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:



Music: From A Community Mass; Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1971, 1977 GIA Publications, Inc.

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Peter, St. Edmund, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first born of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

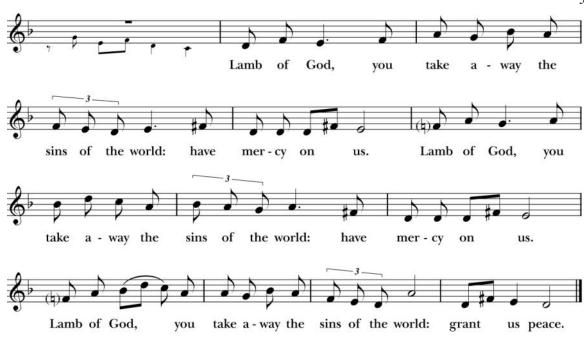
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Lamb of God



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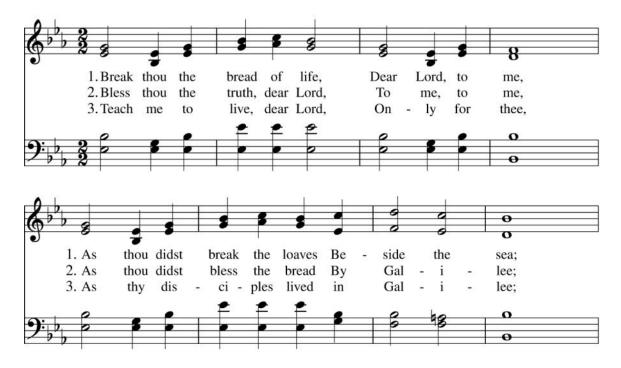
Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

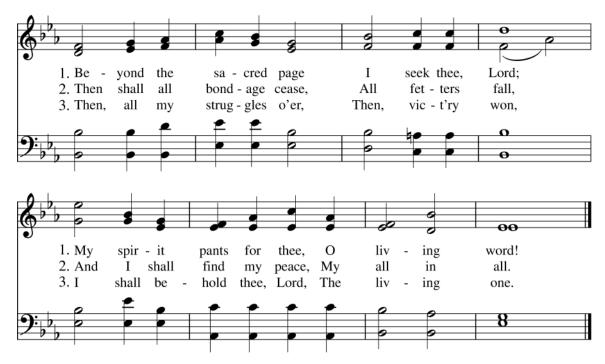
In the Episcopal Church, all Baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free hosts are also available. Simply ask the priest at the distribution of Holy Communion.

The Hymn at the Communion

Break thou the bread of life

Lift Every Voice and Sing II, #146





Words: Mary A. Lathbury (1841-1913). Music: William F. Sherwin (1826-1888).

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All say together

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 congregation is seated. Those persons desiring Unction should move to the Lady Chapel.

All are invited to sing the Hymn during the Laying on of Hands.

The Hymn

There is a balm in Gilead



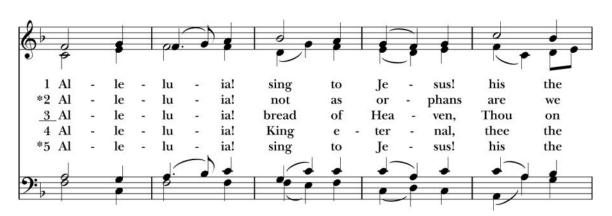
Words: African-American spiritual. Music: Balm in Gilead, Afro-American spiritual; acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

At the conclusion of the Healing, the congregation stands to sing the Closing Hymn.

The Closing Hymn

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! (stz. 1-4)

The Hymnal 1982, #460 (stz. 1-4) Hyfrydol





Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

The Blessing for Epiphanytide

Celebrant

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

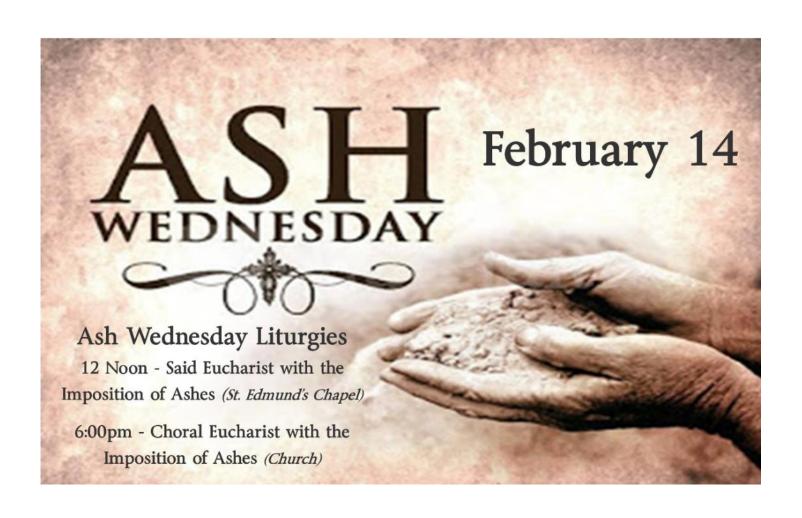
People Thanks be to God.

The Closing Voluntary Fugue in C Major (The Gigue)

Dietrich Buxtehude

— For the Service —

Celebrant and Preacher - The Reverend Doyle Dietz Allen
Lector - Lynn Hajek
Lay Eucharistic Minister - Bob Birch
Acolytes - Thaddaeus Perry
Organist and Choirmaster - Mark Engelhardt
Ushers - Debbie and Bill Crawford
Altar Guild - Kathy Birch, Joan Derle, Laura McLaughlin, Susan Rock



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We seek to worship the Lord as one loving family by serving our parish and community through prayer, music, education, and outreach.