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The congregation leaves in silence.

## Serving Today:

Celebrant: The Rev. Fr. Copeland D. Johnston
Organist: Sylvia Sutter
Acolytes: Larry McAvoy (8), Jimmy Latham (10)
Eucharistic Minister: LaRue Chuman (8),
Allison Smith (10)
Lector: Roberta Kincheloe (8), Tim Smith (10)
Ushers: Ginger \& Fritz Morrison
Altar Guild: Ginger Morrison
Flower Guild: Lent
Coffee Hour: Aida Carter, Betty Wheeler

## This week in your prayers, please remember:

Healing \& Guidance: Ivan McRoy, Jim \& Muffy Bowman, Rosemary Turnage, Lou Batton (Mark Batton's mother, Sylvia Sutter's sister), Alethia Anderson, Evelyn Britt (John's mom), Donald Michaud, Nigro Family, Bob Cruse, Bishop Carl Wright, Bishop David O' Connell, Tracie Bowen, Olivia Hill, Jayne Spangler, Jason Alford, Alan Daughtry, Pamela \& Lehman Woods, Jane Baker, Katherine Mitchell, Sallie Pamela \& Lehman Woods, Jane Baker, Katherine Mitchell, Sallie Sawyer, Roy Williams, Alisha Thobe (Daughter of Susan Stewar) (Tim Smith's other), Joe Buziak, Mary Anna Ne

Military: Bradley Craig Ward, Chris Raducha, Adam Raducha, Hayden Tankard, Nathaniel Bowen, Frank Yenney (Jack \& Kathryn Brake’s grandson), McCauley Griffin (Annie Griffin's grandson), Sloan Smith Robert Tankard's niece), Walker Brown (Pat \& Sue Brown's grandson), Lonnie Carraway (Stephanie \& Ken Reynold's son-in-law)
Birthdays: None

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## WELCOME

## The people assemble in prayerful silence

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins. People: His Mercy endureth for ever.
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 Healey Willan

## The Collect For The Day

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 First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more

## Psalm 51:1-13

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
2 Wash me through and through from my
wickedness*
and cleanse me from my sin.
3 For I know my transgressions, * and my $\sin$ is ever before me.
4 Against you only have I sinned * and done what is evil in your sight.
5 And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.
6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.
7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, * and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the body you have broken may rejoice
10 Hide your face from my sins * and blot out all my iniquities.
11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.
12 Cast me not away from your presence * and take not your holy Spirit from me.
13 Give me the joy of your saving help again * and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 5:5-10
Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

## The Gospel: John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say-'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

