



St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Ancient worship. Affirming faith. Genuine love.

TRANS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

HOLY EUCHARIST

Monday, November 21st, 2022
6 o'clock in the evening



Transgender Day of Remembrance

Rita Hester (November 30, 1963 – November 28, 1998) was a transgender African American woman who was murdered in Allston, Massachusetts, on November 28, 1998. In response to her murder, an outpouring of grief and anger led to a candlelight vigil held the following Friday on December 4 in which about 250 people participated. The community struggle to see Rita's life and identity covered respectfully by local papers, including the Boston Herald and Bay Windows. Her death inspired the "Remembering Our Dead" web project and the Transgender Day of Remembrance also known as International Transgender Day of Remembrance, which has been observed annually from its inception on November 20 as a day to memorialize those who have been murdered as a result of transphobia. The day was founded to draw attention to the continued violence endured by transgender people, an overwhelming number of them being from the African American community. The Episcopal Church is dedicated to full inclusion and equality of all in both the church as well as in society as a whole.

We are called to lift up the dignity of all human beings, to safeguard and celebrate the life that God has given us in all its rich variety. And so, we continue this journey together with determination and hope. We invite you to join us.

Welcome to St. Mary's! We are very glad that you are worshipping with us today. If you are a guest, please sign our guest book using this QR code or the welcome book at the back of the church. Please visit us anytime, and if you are looking for a parish home, we hope that you will find one here!



Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father (†), Son, and Holy Spirit
And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. 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 you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE TRISAGION

Holy God.
Holy and Mighty.
Holy Immortal One.
Have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Almighty God, who created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil
and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to
employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of
your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated for the Lessons.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43:1-7

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

But now thus says the Lord, God who created you, O Jacob, God who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear,
for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I
will be with you, and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you
shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of
Israel, your Savior, I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are

precious in my sight and honored and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER

Psalm 96

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come into his courts.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor;
tremble before him, all the earth.

Say among the nations, "The Lord is king!
The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.
He will judge the peoples with equity."

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar and all that fills it;
let the field exult and everything in it.

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the Lord, for he is coming,
for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with his truth.

A reading from Paul to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore, the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-6

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Brandon Smee
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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

For the church, its clergy, and members; that the body of Christ may be a shining example of the light of God in darkness and a safe haven for all people.

Silence

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For the nation, that all may continue to work towards justice, freedom, and equality, and for the dignity of all people.

Silence

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For the world, that each land may seek to welcome and befriend others from foreign lands, races, and cultures, dismantling the walls that separate us, and increasing in the bonds of love and charity.

Silence

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For those in the Trans community in Kansas City and the wider Diocese of West Missouri, that they may experience community and friendship by all, and that they may have a voice in drafting legislation that brings about safety and inclusion in our society.

Silence

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For those suffering in any illness, of mind, body, or spirit, and for those in grief of the loss of human life due to violence and hatred, especially those in the Trans community. We pray especially for those injured in the mass shooting at Club Q in Colorado Springs on Saturday evening.

Silence

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy the souls of all the faithful departed (†), especially...

Tiffany Banks, Serena Brenneman, Semaj Sincere Billingslea, Regina Alan, Dede Ricks, Acey D. Morrison, Kimbella Kimble, Marisela Castro, Hayden Nevah Davis, Kamilla Marie Swan, Keshia Chanel Geter, Toi Davis, Martasia Richmond, Jimmie Jay Lee, Jasper Aaron Lynch, Cherry Bush, Kitty Monroe, Shawmayne McClam, Brazil Johnson, Paris Rich, Remy Que, Chanelika Y'Ella Dior Hemingway, DeeDee Hall, Maddie Dickens, Maddie Hoffman, Nedra Sequence Morris, Sasha Mason, Michelle S. Tarrío, Ray Muscat, Asher Garcia, Kenna Leigh Gillock, Ace Scott, Fern Feather, Ariyanna Mitchell, Miia Love Parker, Kai Khan, Kesha Webster, Tatiana LaBelle, Elise Malar, Kathryn Newhouse, Brent wood, Milo Winslow, Paloma Vasquez, Cypress Ramos, Naomi Skinner, Destinee Lashae/Matthew Ventress, Matthew Angelo Spampinato, Duval Princess, Amarey Lej, _____.

...and all others who have died due to senseless prejudice, discrimination, and intolerance this past year.

Silence

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.

Almighty God, we pray for all our trans and nonbinary siblings who have gone before us, people on whose pathbreaking shoulders we stand. Be with us this day as we mourn these, your beloved, lost to violence this year. Bind us together in beloved community and strengthen us for the ongoing work of eradicating the intersecting evils of transphobia, transmisogyny, racism, sexism, and classism. Help us, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to work tirelessly for justice and peace and the dignity of all people. We ask these things through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All are invited to kneel, and silence is kept.

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.

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.**

Please stand.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please be seated.

*Today's offering will benefit the Kansas City Center for Inclusion. You may place your offering
in the basket in the center aisle of the church, or scan this QR code to contribute electronically.*



Please stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Holy One, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed (†) is he that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel or remain standing.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We acclaim you, holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again, you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Holy God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose Jesus gave himself up to death; and rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for Christ who died and rose for us, you sent the Holy Spirit, your own first gift for those who believe, to complete your work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Jesus to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them Jesus 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 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Almighty God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you,
We bless you,
We give thanks to you,
And we pray to you, Lord our God.**

God our Creator, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember Michael our presiding bishop, Diane our bishop and all other bishops, priests and deacons who minister in your Church.

Remember all who have died (†) in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through Jesus Christ our Savior.

THE CLOSING DOXOLOGY AND GREAT AMEN

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

THE FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION TO THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Gifts of God (†) for the People of God.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT

Everyone is welcome to come forward to the Altar rail at this time. All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion. Others who wish may receive a blessing from the Priest, please indicate that this is what you wish by crossing your arms over your chest as you kneel. To receive the Bread, please hold out your hands so the Priest may place a Host in your open palms. To receive the Wine, guide the Chalice to your lips with your fingers. After receiving the Sacrament or a blessing, please return to your seat by the side aisles and kneel or sit.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Today's liturgy includes gender-expansive language authorized by the General Convention of The Episcopal Church in 2018. The opening prayer is that of the Votive Eucharist for Social Justice (BCP p. 260), and the closing prayer at the Prayers of the People is adapted from a prayer found at <http://www.transepiscopal.org/>.

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SERVICE TIMES

Sundays: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays: 12:00 p.m. (M, T, Th, F)

Private Confessions: 5:00 p.m. (Wed.)

Wednesdays: 6:00 p.m.

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