



# Apostles

## Anglican Church

**The Third Sunday in Lent**

*3/8/2026*

**Liturgy for the Traditional Service**

The Anglican Church of North America

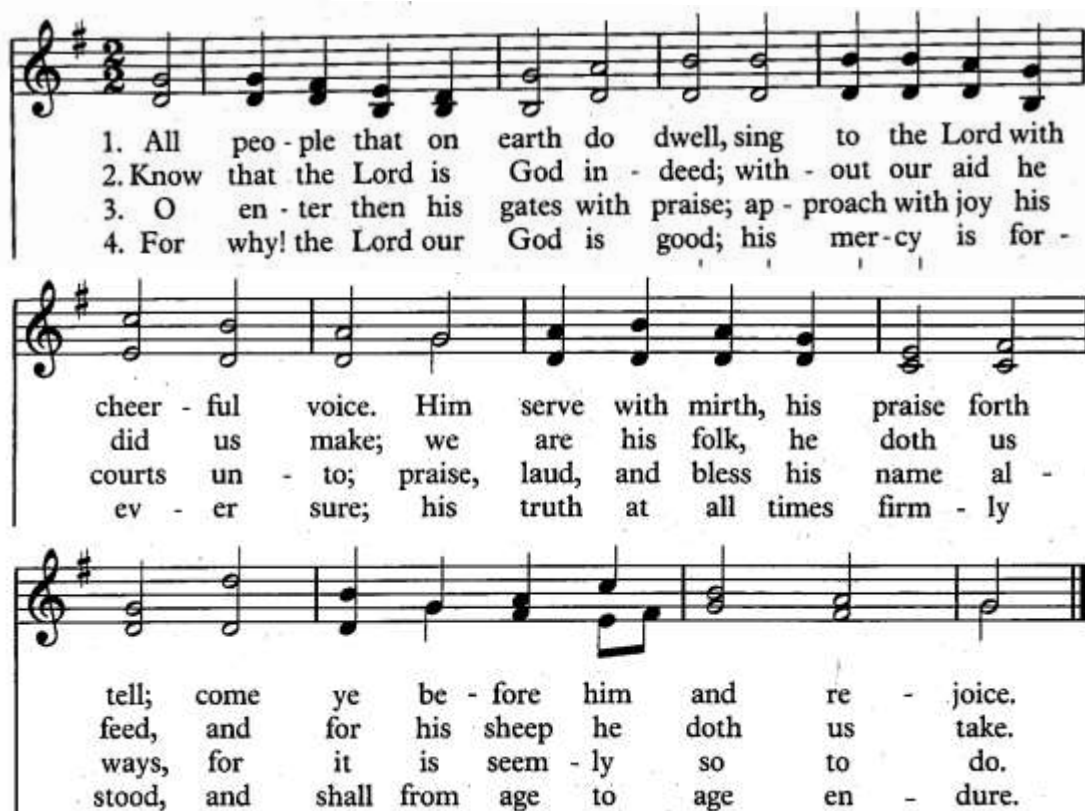


**THE PRELUDE:** Meditations on "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" (Doxology - Old 100th) - J. Pachelbel & J. C. Bach

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**THE BELL** (*congregation standing*)

**HYMN:** All People that on Earth Do Dwell



1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with  
2. Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our aid he  
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with joy his  
4. For why! the Lord our God is good; his mer - cy is for -

cheer - ful voice. Him serve with mirth, his praise forth  
did us make; we are his folk, he doth us  
courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his name al -  
ev - er sure; his truth at all times firm - ly

tell; come ye be - fore him and re - joice.  
feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.  
ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.  
stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

## THE ACCLAMATION

Priest: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

***People: His mercy endures for ever.***

Priest: Let us pray.

## 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 SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

*Matthew 22:37-40*

## THE KYRIE



Lord, have mercy up-on us. Christ have mercy up-on us. Lord have mercy up-on us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: *And with your spirit.***

Priest: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS *(congregation seated)*

### **Exodus 17:1-7**

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders

of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.’ Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, ‘Is the Lord among us or not?’

Reader: The word of the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 95**

- 1 O come, let us sing unto the LORD; \*  
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.
- 3 For the LORD is a great God \*  
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the depths of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands prepared the dry land.
- 6 O come, let us worship and fall down, \*  
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God, \*  
and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

8 Today, if you will hear his voice, harden not your hearts \*  
as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness,  
9 When your fathers tested me, \*  
and put me to the proof, though they had seen my works.  
10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation and said, \*  
“It is a people that err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways,”  
11 Of whom I swore in my wrath \*  
that they should not enter into my rest.

***All: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.***

### **Romans 1:16-32**

For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, ‘The one who is righteous will live by faith.’

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and wickedness of those who by their wickedness suppress the truth. For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. Ever since the creation of the world his eternal power and divine nature, invisible though they are, have been understood and seen through the things he has made. So they are without excuse; for though they knew God, they did not honour him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their senseless minds were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools; and they

exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling a mortal human being or birds or four-footed animals or reptiles.

Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the degrading of their bodies among themselves, because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever! Amen.

For this reason God gave them up to degrading passions. Their women exchanged natural intercourse for unnatural, and in the same way also the men, giving up natural intercourse with women, were consumed with passion for one another. Men committed shameless acts with men and received in their own persons the due penalty for their error.

And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind and to things that should not be done. They were filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, covetousness, malice. Full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, craftiness, they are gossips, slanderers, God-haters, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, rebellious towards parents, foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. They know God's decree, that those who practise such things deserve to die—yet they not only do them but even applaud others who practise them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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

## **The Gospel** *(congregation standing)*

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

**People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

### **John 4:1-26; 39-42**

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, ‘Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John’ — although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized— he left Judea and started back to Galilee. But he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, ‘Give me a drink’. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, ‘How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?’ (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, ‘If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, “Give me a drink”, you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.’ The woman said to him, ‘Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?’ Jesus said to her, ‘Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of

the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.’ The woman said to him, ‘Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.’

Jesus said to her, ‘Go, call your husband, and come back.’ The woman answered him, ‘I have no husband.’ Jesus said to her, ‘You are right in saying, “I have no husband”; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!’ The woman said to him, ‘Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.’ Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.’ The woman said to him, ‘I know that Messiah is coming’ (who is called Christ). ‘When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.’ Jesus said to her, ‘I am he, the one who is speaking to you.’

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, ‘He told me everything I have ever done.’ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed

because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

## THE SERMON

**THE NICENE CREED** *(congregation standing)*

***We believe in one God,***

***the Father, the Almighty,***

***maker of heaven and earth,***

***of all that is, visible and invisible.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,***

***the only-begotten 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,***

***was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,***

***who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,***

***who 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** (*congregation standing or kneeling*)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

***People: Hear our prayer.***

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially Donald, our President, Andy, our Governor, and Linda, our Mayor, that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to the leaders of our Province, Diocese, and Parish, that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments and to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

***People: Hear our prayer.***

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

***People: Hear our prayer.***

We remember before you all your servants who have departed this life in your faith and fear, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of all your saints, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Priest: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

***Amen.***

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

*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, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

**THE PEACE** (*congregation standing*)

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

## **THE DOXOLOGY** (*congregation standing*)

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.***

## **THE OFFERTORY**

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all.

All things come from you, O Lord,

***People: And of your own have we given you.***

## **THE SURSUM CORDA** (*congregation standing*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People: And with your spirit.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

***People: We lift them up to the Lord.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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:

## THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION *(congregation kneeling)*

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he in-

stituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of your dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we your humble servants celebrate and make here before your divine Majesty, with these holy gifts, the memorial your Son commanded us to make; remembering his blessed passion and precious

death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and his promise to come again.

And we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; asking you to grant that, by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his Blood, we and your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we ask you to accept this duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.***

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

***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:**

**Celebrant:** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

#### **THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

***We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your abundant and great mercies.  
We are not worthy so much as to gather up  
the crumbs under your table;  
but you are the same Lord  
whose character is always to have mercy.***

***Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,  
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.***

## **THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

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.

## **THE PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

***Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries,  
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and  
goodness towards us:  
that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son,  
the blessed company of all faithful people;  
and are also heirs, through hope,  
of your everlasting kingdom.  
And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father,  
to assist us with your grace,  
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,  
and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to***

*walk in;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

## **THE BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

**THE RECESSIONAL** (*congregation standing*)

## HYMN: Go Make of All Disciples



1. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We hear the call, O Lord,
2. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples," bap - tiz - ing in the name
3. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We at Thy feet would stay
4. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We wel - come Thy com - mand.



that comes from Thee, our Fa - ther, in Thy e - ter - nal Word.  
of Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, from age to age the same.  
un - til each life's vo - ca - tion ac - cents Thy ho - ly way.  
"Lo, I am with you al - ways." We take Thy guid - ing hand.



In - spire our ways of learn - ing through ear - nest, fer - vent prayer,  
We call each new dis - ci - ple to fol - low Thee, O Lord,  
We cul - ti - vate the na - ture God plants in ev - 'ry heart,  
The task looms large be - fore us; we fol - low with - out fear;



and let our dai - ly liv - ing re - veal Thee ev - 'ry - where.  
re - deem - ing soul and bod - y by wa - ter and the Word.  
re - veal - ing in our wit - ness the Mas - ter Teach - er's art.  
in heav'n and earth Thy pow - er shall bring God's king - dom here.

## THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**THE POSTLUDE:** Festival Postlude on 'Old Hundredth' (Doxology) -  
Clarence Eddy







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### **Register for the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:**

We would love for you to join us as we celebrate 30 years of God's faithfulness. ***Please take a moment to register for the celebration so we can plan well for food and activities.*** The registration deadline is March 31st. You can access the link through the QR code below or through the link in the newsletter.

### **Easter Meal:**

Please note that in light of the coming 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and New Rector Installation, ***we will not be hosting a formal Easter Meal this year*** (we will return to this tradition next year, have no fear!)

We encourage you to gather together with family and friends, people you know and maybe those you don't know as well, to celebrate the Resurrection.

Additionally, we invite you to mark your calendars for these special events (30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Rector Installation) in April and May. We look forward to celebrating together.

### **Volunteers Welcome:**

We are always excited to welcome members of our congregation into deeper participation in the service. If you are interested in being an acolyte, reader, chalice bearer, being on the prayer team, etc. please reach out to [mandy@apostleslex.com](mailto:mandy@apostleslex.com). We would love to add you to our rotation of volunteers.

### **What is Your Apostles' Story?**

We are so excited for our **30th Anniversary Celebration** coming up this **April 25-26**. As we prepare for this anniversary, we're gathering stories of God's faithfulness in our midst. What is your story of God's faithfulness in your life while at Apostles? **We would love to hear it!** You can share your story by scanning the QR code below and filling out the "What is Your Apostles' Story?" form. You can also access this form in the newsletter. Thank you so much.

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and more.

**Friendly Reminders:**

*Please place your bulletins in a blue recycling bin after services.*

*We kindly ask that children stay on the Sanctuary level during  
discipleship hour and after services for their safety.*

*If you would like prayer following the service, please reach out to one of  
the clergy.*