St. Columba's Episcopal Church

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Duccio di Buoninsegna, "Appearance While the Apostles Are at Table," (1308-11), Tempera on wood

The Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

THE WORD OF GOD

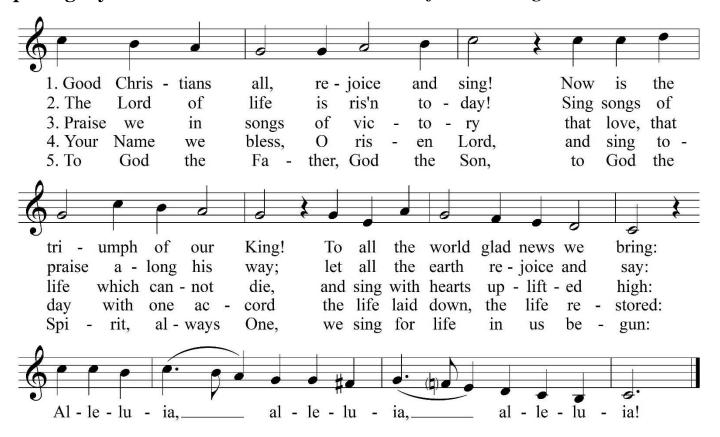
Prelude – "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna" (B. Wren/W. Rowan) – Brett Hanley, organ

Welcome – The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

Welcoming Prayer

C: Holy Spirit living within us, guide our hearts and minds as we welcome today all those who worship with us at St. Columba's. Give us discerning hearts so that everyone who crosses our threshold feels welcomed in the warmth of your love. Amen.

Opening Hymn - # 205 - "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing"



Words: Cyril A. Allington, 1872-1955, alt. St. 5, Norman Mealy, 1923-1987. Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT (888 with Alleluias), Melchior Vulpius, 1560?-1616.

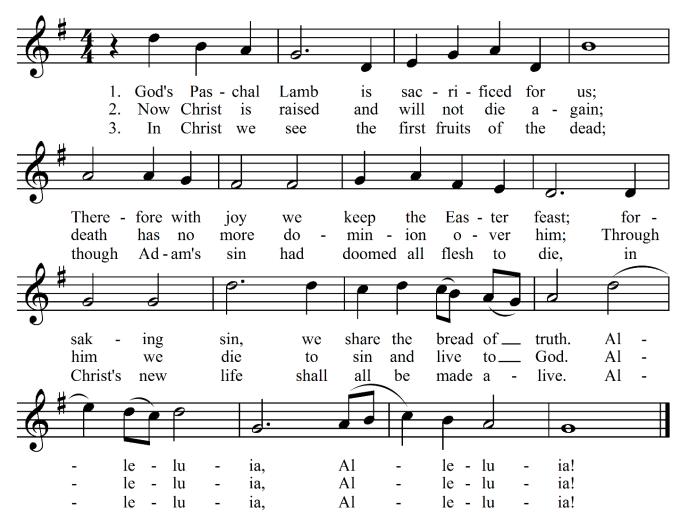
Easter Acclamation

- P: Alleluia. Christ is risen!
- C: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Collect for Purity

- P: 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.
- C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise - "God's Paschal Lamb"



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Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson – Acts 3:12-19

When Peter saw the astonishment of those who had seen the lame man healed, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

- L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4

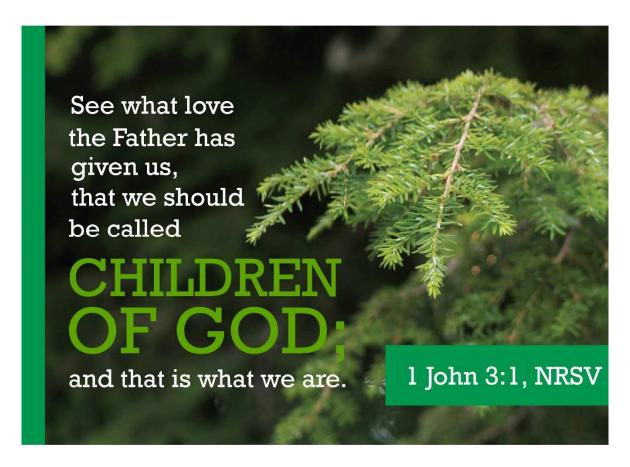
- Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
 you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
 have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; * how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"
- Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; * when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
 speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices * and put your trust in the Lord.

- 6 Many are saying,
 "Oh, that we might see better times!" *
 Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.
- You have put gladness in my heart, *
 more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; * for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

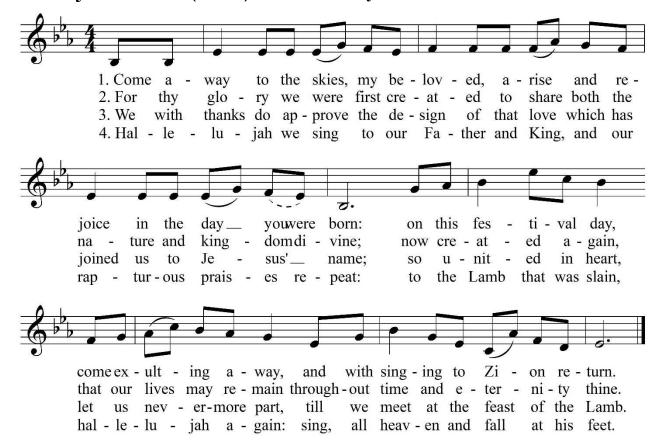
Second Lesson – 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

- L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.
- C: Thanks be to God.



Gradual Hymn - # 669 (WOV) - "Come Away to the Skies"



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788.

Music: MIDDLEBURY (6 6 9 6 6 9), A Supplement to the Kentucky Harmony, © 1821;

arr. David Cherwien, 1957- Arr. © 1995, Augsburg Fortress.

Gospel – Luke 24:36b-48

P: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

While the disciples were telling how they had seen Jesus risen from the dead, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily – The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

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.

Prayers of the People

LEM: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For our Bishops **Justin** (Archbishop of Canterbury), **Michael** (Presiding Bishop), and **John;** for our Clergy, Staff, and Vestry; and for all ministers and people, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For the peace of the world, especially in Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia; that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person. For those who serve our country and the world, praying especially for Jesse, Liam, Matthew, Matt, Nathan, Jonah, and Chris, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, praying especially for the Threshold Project, our Children's Learning Center, our Project Hope food ministries, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- LEM: For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health. We pray especially for Alison, Chance, Mary, Ann, Melinda, John, Steve, Linda, Mary, Maggie, Richard, Emily, Lisa, Robyn, and Ivan.

Are there others?

The people may add their own petitions.

We pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Saint Columba, all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

C: To you, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

P: Risen Lord, you reveal to us the love and radiance of the Father; you bring us the peace that passes all understanding. We rejoice in your presence and in the glory of your resurrection. Strengthen our faith, O Lord Jesus, that we may know you live in eternity with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

C: Amen.

(Our Prayers are from the Book of Common Prayer, Form V, and by David Adam, Traces of Glory: Prayers for the Church Year.)

The Peace

- P: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- **C**: And also with you.



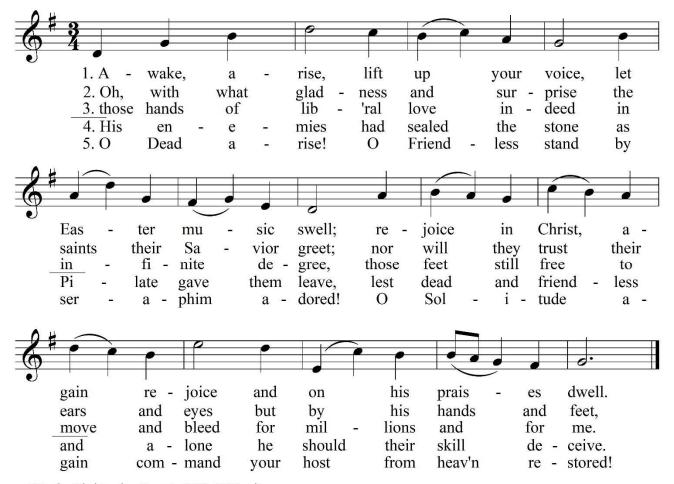
Announcements

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Watch over thy *children*, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory - "Voluntary" (J.S. Bach) - Brett Hanley, organ

Presentation Hymn - # 212 - "Awake, Awake, Lift Up Your Voice"



Words: Christopher Smart, 1722-1771, alt.

Music: RICHMOND (CM), melody Thomas Hawels, 1734-1820; adapt. Samuel Webbe, 1740-1816.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

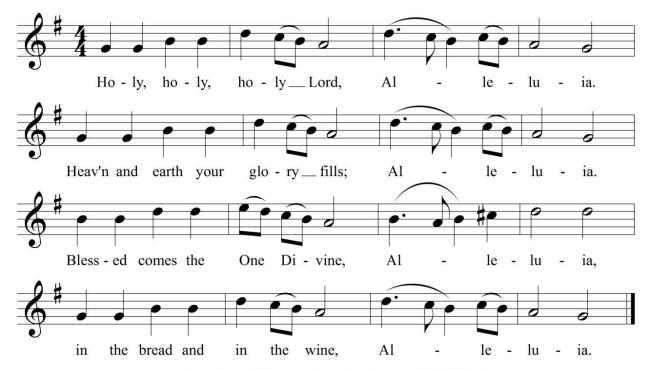
Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer A from Book of Common Prayer, p. 361)

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

[Here a proper preface is sung or said.]

P: 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:

Sanctus



Music: Robert Williams, LLANFAIR (77. 77 with Alleluias).

The people stand or kneel.

P: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

P: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

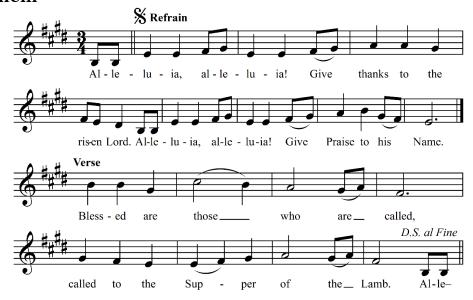
C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

P: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

C: 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.

Fraction Anthem



Music: Donald Fishel, ALLELUIA No. 1 (8 8 and refrain); arr. Betty Pulkingham.

The Invitation

P: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Instructions

The ushers will invite you forward for Communion. The Presider will be in the center of the aisle and place the Communion Bread in the palm of your overlapping outstretched hands.

- If you do not want Communion Wine, then return to your pew by the side aisle. The Church has always taught that to receive communion in only one kind is to still receive the full grace of the sacrament.
- For a sip of Communion Wine from the chalice, please go to the LEM and lightly guide the bottom base of the chalice to your lips until you have had a sip. Then return to your pew by the side aisle.
- For the intinction of Communion Wine, please leave the Communion Bread in your hand and the LEM will lightly dip it into the Communion Wine and place it back on your hand for you to consume it. Then return to your pew by the side aisle.
- If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please tell the usher when they get to your pew and they will make sure that Communion is brought to you.
- In an abundance of caution, just before Communion, each Communion Minister will carefully sanitize their hands for your safety.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion (by St. Alphonsus Liguori)

As we distribute Holy Communion to the congregation here, we invite those on the livestream to offer the Prayer of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

C: 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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn - # 674 (WOV) - "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"



Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926 Music: David N. Johnson, 1922−1987 Text © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

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Dismissal

- P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.
- C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude - "To God Be the Glory" (W. Doane/F. Crosby) - Brett Hanley, organ

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Rector—Our rector is the **Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson.** If you need to reach him during the week, his email address is <u>michael.anderson@stcolumbaca.com</u>.

Coffee Hour—All are welcome to enjoy Coffee Hour in our parish hall and on the patio after worship. Sign up in the parish hall to host Coffee Hour.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd—Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), our Sunday School, is at 9:30 a.m. Please text or call Wendie Roberts (310-710-8762) with any questions and/or if you are planning to register your child or teenager for CGS.

Resurrection in Art Class—Join Fr. Michael Anderson as we explore the way that artists have historically represented and wrestled with the Resurrection. **Starting TODAY, April 14**, we are meeting on **Sundays at 11:15 a.m.** in the parish hall. Come ready to look and discuss.

VCIC Forum—On April 16 at 7:00 p.m., the Ventura County Interfaith Community will explore the interaction between faith and finances in a variety of religious traditions. In particular, we will seek to answer the question, "How do different faiths approach the gathering and allocation of financial resources?" An interfaith panel will discuss the ways that their communities solicit and receive funds and how they use their funds both in the support of their own programs, in response to needs of their congregants and the needs of those in the broader community. Held at the Church of Scientology of Ventura (2151 Alessandro Drive, Ventura, CA 93001), admission to the forum is free and all are welcome.

"Caring for the Home Caregiver"—Health Education Program at Mount Cross Lutheran Church (102 Camino Esplendido, 93010), Sunday, April 28, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Topics include: support for those providing home care—yourself or another; accessing outside care services—knowing what's available and when and how to ask for help; and when and how to evaluate and select out-of-home care placement. Speakers will be professionals associated with caregiving and a trained family member caregiver. An opportunity for your questions will be provided. Refreshments, resources, and conversations will follow on the patio pavilion. You are encouraged to attend and invite others! Questions, contact Teri Helton, MSN, RN at teri@terihelton.com or 805.312.1631.

Lunch Bunch—Our next Lunch Bunch is on Wednesday, April 24, at Noon. Sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex for this time of food and fellowship.

Food Ministry Needs Paper Bags—Our food ministry is in need of your used paper bags. We serve groceries to 50 families three times a month, and we use 450 paper bags each month! Please bring in your empty paper grocery bags so we may reuse them! Just drop them off in the parish hall. Thank you for your help!

Sign Up for Altar Flowers—The flower chart for 2024 appears on the door next to the table in the narthex. There are still a number of open Sundays. To sponsor altar flowers:

- Put your name on the chart next to your date of choice.
- Fill out the form in the basket on the table below the chart.
- Put the form in a colored envelope, along with a check (\$50 for High Altar).
- Send or deliver the envelope to the parish office.

It is helpful to receive your request well in advance of the date of sponsorship to assist in bulletin preparation. Call Marjo Gardner, 805-415-2315, with any questions.

Prayer Request Procedures—Praying for others is an important part of our worship experience and essential that it hold spiritual meaning. It is for that reason that St. Columba has made a few changes in prayer requests. Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four weeks. Also, first and last names will be used, unless a person specifically requests the last name not be. If you would like to add or remove someone to or from the prayer list or for those needing continuing prayer, please email the church office at office.manager@stcolumbaca.com or call 805.482.8831.

We Need Donated Food for Our Food Ministries—We serve about 45 families three times per month, using existing funds from our Food Ministry money. Each week, we need cereal, oatmeal, pasta sauce, pasta, canned soup, mac & cheese, canned tuna, canned chicken, fresh bread, toilet paper, paper towels, and Kleenex. While you are grocery shopping, please pick up one or more of these items and bring them to church on Sunday or drop them off at the parish hall. Although we received a HUD/City of Camarillo grant for our 1st Thursday distribution through Spring 2024, you can also donate to St. Columba's and we'll do the shopping. Just indicate "Food Ministry" in the memo on your check. Your support is so appreciated by our food clients who truly need our help - thank you for your donations and thank you to our volunteers!

Ministers serving today:

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

Altar Guild: Sarah Wigert and Mary Steppes-Cole

Ushers: Gail & Maurice Hill

Lector: Lara Tyas

Eucharistic Minister: Bill Brown

Communion Assistant: Nancy Miller

Sound Technicians: Tim Helton, Nancy Miller, Vinita Bhushan, Richard Stone, Carlos Barraza, Bill Hillbrant

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for

those with immediate needs:

Alison Hillbrant, Chance Kubinak, Mary Steppes-Cole, Ann Radzienda, Melinda Miller, John Noonan, Steve Grantham, Linda Lowe, Mary Vasi, Maggie Lunsky, Richard Lappine, Emily Bianco, Lisa, Robyn, Ivan

and those who need our continuing prayers:

Susan Klein, Declan, Blake

We pray for all those serving at home and abroad:

• Jesse Meyer, Liam O'Brien, Matthew Bamberger, Matt Zelinskas, Nathan Halpin, Jonah Hershman, and Chris Heney.

The flowers on the High Altar are given by Maurice Hill to the glory of God in celebration of Gail Hill's birthday.



To make changes to the prayer list for St. Columba's, please contact the church office (<u>office.manager@stcolumbaca.com</u>) or 805-482-8831.