Welcome to
St. Augustine by-the-Sea
Episcopal Church!

We are a spiritually engaged community, seeking the knowledge and love of God, and sharing that life-giving love with the world. We believe in following the teachings of Jesus Christ and see God at work in our faith-based questions, doubts and curiosity. Scripture reveals that God loves each and every one of us, no exceptions. As such, St. Augustine's is LGBTQIA+ welcoming and affirming.

Everyone is welcome at Christ’s table to receive communion. If you would prefer a blessing, come up to the rail and cross your arms over your chest to receive the blessing.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here!

If you are new or visiting, we invite you to introduce yourself: simply fill out a Welcome form online, through this QR code, and we will be in touch!
Holy Eucharist  
March 20, 2022, 10:30AM  
The Third Sunday in Lent, Rite Two

Prelude: Prelude on “St. Thomas” by Christina Becket  
Greg Schreiner, Organ

Liturgy of the Word

Penitential Order

Entrance Rite

(as the music begins, all stand and sing)

HYMN

O bless the Lord, my soul (St. Thomas (Williams))

1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee proclaim!  
2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mercies bear in mind!  
3 He will not always chide; he will with patience wait;  
4 He pardons all thy sins, prolongs thy feeble breath;  
5 He clothes thee with his love, upholds thee with his truth;
OPENING ACCLAMATION

(the Celebrant says)

Celebrant       Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People          His mercy endures for ever.

DEACALOGUE

(the Decalogue is said, the people kneeling)

Hear the commandments of God to his people:
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.
You shall have no other gods but me.
   Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.
   Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.
   Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.
   Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.
   Amen. Lord have mercy.
You shall not commit murder.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

CONFESSION OF SIN

(the Celebrant says)

Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.” Mark 12:29-31

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(silence may be kept)

Celebrant and People

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.
(the Priest stands and says)

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.

OPENING ANTHEM

(the following is sung, all standing)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(please sit for readings)

FIRST READING

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, “I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.” When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here
I am.” Then he said, “Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on
which you are standing is holy ground.” He said further, “I am the God of your father, the
God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he
was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have
heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have
come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a
good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites,
the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the
Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So
come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But
Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of
Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent
you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this
mountain.”

But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your
ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to
them?” God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the
Israelites, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the
Israelites, ‘The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac,
and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for
all generations.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People Thanks be to God.

(silence may follow)

PSALM: Psalm 63:1-8 (sung by a member of the choir with Refrain sung by all)

Refrain

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you.

from Gradual Psalms for the RCL, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.
So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name.  

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches.

For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Corinth.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.” We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People  Thanks be to God.

(silence may follow)
GOSPEL

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that very time there were some present who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON - The Rev. Katie Cadigan
(a moment of silence is observed)
THE NICENE CREED
(the Celebrant announces the Creed and the people stand)

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

Friends in Christ, our God is faithful. Let us offer our prayers to God, saying, “God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself; we bless you and we praise you.”

O God, you are our God; eagerly we seek you; our souls thirst for you, our flesh faints for you, as in a parched and barren land. Refresh your Church, revive your Church with living water.
(Silence)

God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself; We bless you and we praise you.
 Faithful God, be the comfort and strength of innocent victims and their families. We pray for all those who die suddenly and unprepared.  
(Silence)

God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself;  
We bless you and we praise you.

Great Mountain God, open our eyes to your presence in the world around us. Set the fire of your presence before us and lead our feet to holy ground.  
(Silence)

God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself;  
We bless you and we praise you.

We pray, O God, for victims of sexual violence and abuse. Deliver them; heal their wounds and scars; restore innocence and the ability to trust. Purify our own hearts that we may honor and respect each other.  
(Silence)

God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself;  
We bless you and we praise you.

O God, you are our helper; you hide us under the mighty shadow of your wings. Defend your children from all adversities which may happen to the body or soul.  
(Silence)

God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself;  
We bless you and we praise you.

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, God of our fathers and mothers, feed us with spiritual food; refresh us with spiritual drink. Preserve us, with all your saints, forever.  
(Silence)

God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself;  
We bless you and we praise you.

For all who have asked for or need our prayers, naming them either silently or aloud. We particularly pray for peace in Ukraine. (intercessions may be offered).  
(Silence)

God, your loving-kindness is better than life itself;  
We bless you and we praise you.

For the mission of the Church and for our own mission:  
As we work to include all people, as we share the grace of God, and challenge ourselves to follow Christ.
(the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect)

God, ever faithful and true, from of old you have revealed yourself as one who will be with your people to save them. Be with us in our times of need, now and always. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

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

(then the ministers and the people greet one another in the name of the Lord)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

OFFERTORY ANTHEM – "Sicut cervus“ by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
sung by the St. Augustine Chamber Singers

Like as the hart desires the water springs,
So my soul desires thee, O God.
The Great Thanksgiving

*(the people stand)*

**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 God thanks and praise.

*(the Celebrant proceeds)*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.
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:

_Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest._

_Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest._

_(the Celebrant continues)_

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker and of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 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.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Celebrant and People**

*Christ has died.*
*Christ is risen.*
*Christ will come again.*

_(the Celebrant continues)_

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ’s 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

AMEN.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

Celebrant and People

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

(a moment of silence is kept – the following anthem is sung)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God,
Invitation to Holy Communion

(Celebrant)

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey you are welcome at Christ’s Table.

(The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that the simple desire to consume the consecrated elements is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion. When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is not possible, this prayer of spiritual communion is a means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God’s grace and blessing.)

Celebrant Will all who are online, join in praying:

In union, Blessed Jesus with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. Since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen

(All are welcome forward to receive the bread at Christ’s table. To receive the bread, place one hand over the other. If you would like a contactless blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Due to the pandemic, we cannot distribute the consecrated wine, and we ask that you keep safe distance from one another at the communion rail)

COMMUNION ANTHEM – “Tebe Poyem” by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
sung by Ariana Stultz, Alto; Kirk Garner, Tenor; Ben Greenberg, Baritone; Lewis Johnson, Bass

We sing to thee,
We bless thee,
We thank thee, O Lord,
And we pray to thee,
Our God.
1 Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
2 Should my tears for ever flow, should my zeal no languor know,
3 While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,

let the water and the blood from thy wounded side that flowed,
al for sin could not atone: thou must save, and thou alone;
when I rise to worlds unknown and behold thee on thy throne,

be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
in my hand no price I bring, simply to thy cross I cling.
Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

(please stand as we pray together)

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing (Sicilian)  

Hymnal 344

1 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace; O refresh us, in our hearts and lives abound; ever faithful, glad thy summons to obey. May we ever,
DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Key Events

The Book of Exodus
7-8pm, Wednesday evenings, through April 6
Topic for Mar 23: Tabernacle; framework; altar; and court vestments, Chs 26-28
Zoom login: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83639398361

Wondering about Lent and Spiritual Practices?
If you have questions about Lent, about specifics on spiritual practices, or if you are still pondering what you want to do for the season, your priests would love to help! Contact Rev. Nate or Rev. Katie to set up a meeting by phone, Zoom or in-person, to explore what is on your heart and where God may be calling you.

Invitation to Confession
Lent is a time for introspection, repentance and forgiveness. If you feel called to make a private confession with one of our priests, please contact either Rev. Nate or Rev. Katie.