

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**March 15, 2026 Lectionary Year A**

**6:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST**

O. T. Lesson 1 Samuel 16:1 - 13 Hilary Phillips  
Psalm 23 **Refrain:** (all sit) *"The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want."*  
BCP page 495  
Epistle Ephesians 5:8 - 14 Natalie Smith  
Gospel John 9:1 - 41  
Prayer of Intercession BCP Form C page 107

**8:00 a.m. SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND SERMON**

Introit Lead me Lord (S.S. Wesley)  
Processional 498 Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched  
O. T. Lesson 1 Samuel 16:1 - 13 Patrick Palmer  
Psalm 23 Hymn 478 (Banton/Mark Myrie) (all stand)  
Epistle Ephesians 5:8 - 14 Marsha Valentine-Taylor  
Gradual Bless thy word unto our hearts and glorify thy name.  
- See hymn sheet  
Gospel John 9:1 - 41  
Sermon Nicola Elliott  
The Creed Hymn 561  
Intercession BCP Form C page 107  
Offertory Jehovah, you I trust in you - see hymn sheet  
During Communion Open the eyes of my heart Lord, Light of the world,  
Amazing grace - see hymn sheet  
Recessional We are walking in the light of God see hymn sheet

**For Lent: Reconciliation and Renewal**

Almighty and merciful God, in your goodness, look with compassion on us as we seek to be transformed and changed by turning away from selfishness and sin with contrite and penitent hearts, to live in holiness and according to your will and bear the fruit of the Spirit, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

**Connecting to the streaming link for 8:00 a.m. Service**  
**<https://www.facebook.com/sapcjamaica>**

**The 8 a.m. service can also be viewed on Youtube.**

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**Chapel of Ease:**

**St. Thomas - Majesty Gardens 10:30 a.m. and St. Clement's - Kencot 10:30 a.m.**



**Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind**

**CLERGY**

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**The Rector is out of Office on Mondays**

Faith Formation and Christian Education

Did You Know?

Almsgiving or works of charity is closely associated with Lent. This is suggested in the proper preface for Lent on page 128 of our BCP. There, reference is made to being "fervent...in works of mercy." Generally, almsgiving involves some type of sacrifice on behalf of the giver in order to provide for the needs of the other. In doing this, bonds of community are formed as we are encouraged to think beyond ourselves. It reminds us that we own nothing permanently and that it is best to walk life's fragile journey living the life of selfless love Jesus embodied.

Quote for reflection

"No act of virtue can be great if it is not followed by advantage for others. So, no matter how much time you spend fasting, no matter how much you sleep on a hard floor and eat ashes and sigh continually, if you do no good to others, you do nothing great."

St. John Chrysostom

Question for reflection.

- In what ways can I deepen my commitment to give more to the poor and disadvantaged in Lent?
• How can I contribute to the ministries of the Church committed to improving the estate of the needy?

We welcome St. Andrew Settlement who are worshipping with us today Sunday the 15th of March.

Post Communion Affirmation

Jesus Christ, Son of God, make yourself known to me;
Jesus Christ, Son of God, make yourself known through me;
Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, speak through me to others.
Lord renew the Church beginning with me.

Readings for March 22, 2026: Ezekiel 37: 1 - 14, Psalm 130, Romans 8: 6 - 11 , John 11: 1 - 45.

Birthdays for this week: Loyle Herdsman and Denise Gooden 15/03, Paulette Hollingsworth, Maureen Webber and Judith Stephenson 16/03, Ruby Anderson, Paulette Joseph and Denise Warren 17/03, John-Mark Lynch and Douglas Evelyn 19/03, Rev. Melrose Wiggan 20/03, Byron Bellamy and Jordan Wright 21/03.

Condolence is extended to the family of Rema Watt.

Lenten Devotion - Will be on Thursdays at 5:30 pm. This will also be stream live. Meeting ID 852 3976 2476 Passcode 356037.

We welcome items that are non-perishable for the Tuesday Charity Ministry.

Easter Bun- St. Andrew Settlement will be having their Bun sale from March 16 - April 2. Order forms are available at the back.

Women's Auxiliary -Their "Fish Fry" will be April 17, in aid of the Diocesan Pastoral Aid Fund.

The Diocesan Festival Choir under the Patronage of Rt. Rev. Leon Golding, Bishop of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands and Mrs. Golding, presents "Hosanna to Hallelujah" on Palm Sunday, March 29, at St. Augustine Chapel, Kingston College, at 4:30pm. Cost \$3,500.

We express thanks to our members who continue to give sacrificially to ensure that the ministry and mission of the church are sustained as we continue to witness and minister in these challenging times.

SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK Mar. 15 - 21

Table with 4 columns: Date, Day, Time, Service. Rows include March 17 (Tuesday, 9:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist), March 18 (Wednesday, 6:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist), March 19 (Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Lenten Devotion Service), and March 20 (Friday, 9:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist).

WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR...

Table with 4 columns: Name, Title, Name, Name. Rows include Alvin Stone (Priest), Winnifred Johnson, Elesia Blackburn; Percival Lynch (Priest), Xesus Teape Johnston, John Lopez; Myrtle White, Shirley Deavers, Horace Creary; Margaret Green, Hyacinth Elliott, Joshua Slack.

## The Preparation for Sundays in Lent

### SENTENCE

Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

*Ephesians 5:1,2*

PRESIDENT: (+) Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**ALL: And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**ALL: O thou to whom all hearts are open, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts. O thou to whom all desires are known, purify our desires. O thou to whom no secrets are hid, make known to us our inner life. Strengthen us to grow into that divine likeness which thou didst plant in us at our creation, that our feelings may rise from love and holiness, and our thoughts be governed by truth, O creator God, redeeming Lord and sanctifying Spirit. Amen.**

### THE CONFESSION

PRESIDENT: Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; Let them return to the Lord, that He may have mercy on them, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. *Isaiah 55:6-9*

*A period of silence shall be kept*

PRESIDENT: Let us ask God for pardon and peace.

### FORM A

**ALL: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our brothers and sisters, in thought, word and deed, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all our sins. And grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

### FORM B

**ALL: Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our brothers and sisters, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. We are very sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out of darkness to walk as children of light, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

PRESIDENT: THE ABSOLUTION

THE KYRIE (Words and Music by: Jodi P. Clarke)

*Refrain:*

**Kyrie, eleison**

**Christe, eleison**

**Kyrie, e - le - i - son**

1. Look around you, can you see?  
Times are troubled, people grieve.  
See the violence, feel the hardness;  
All my people, weep with me. **R**

2. Walk among them, I'll go with you  
Reach out to them with my hands.  
Suffer with me, and together  
We will serve them, help them stand. **R**

3. Forgive us, Father, hear our prayer.  
We would walk with you - anywhere  
Through Your suff'ring, with forgiveness  
Take your life into the world. **R**

*Or*

THE KYRIES (Ninefold)

**ALL: Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.**

CANTOR: *Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison.*

**ALL: Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.**

*Or*

THE TRISAGION

**ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy and Immortal One, Have mercy upon us. (Repeat 3 times)**

*The Collect of the day shall be said or sung by the President.*

## Message for Meditation and Reflection

In the reading from first Samuel, God tells the prophet that Saul has been rejected, therefore, he needed to go and anoint a new King. Samuel was sent to Jesse's house to select the new king, only to discover those who stood before him were all rejected by God. Samuel asked Jesse to call for his son who was in the field. When he came the Lord told the prophet David should be anointed king of Israel and the spirit of the Lord came upon him. The epistle reading offers a word of encouragement to the Corinthians on what it means to live the Christ life. The believers are charged to walk as children of the light, doing all that God requires of them. They are to reject and expose the works of darkness by allowing their light to shine continually. In the gospel reading Jesus encounters a man who was born blind. Jesus performs a miracle, healing the man of his blindness. The man went to the temple to share his encounter with the Jesus, but he was rejected by the people in the temple. Jesus later found the man, who worshipped him as the Light of God who had come into the world. The Sunday School Team

Jesus was journeying with his disciples when they came upon a man who was blind. The disciples thought the man's condition was a result of some sin he had committed, but Jesus made it known to them that it was so that God could be revealed to him. Unlike the Samaritan woman at the well who came to know Jesus through her interactions with him, this man would soon discover who Jesus was through his experience. The man is later cast out of the synagogue when they learned that he was healed on the Sabbath. They saw him as a sinner, therefore having no regard for witness to Jesus who was the man behind the miracle. When Jesus had found him, He talked with the man and there he worshipped God. Jesus then declares that His mission is to bring judgment for those who are blind will now be able to see, but those who can see will become blind. Jesus tells the Pharisees who thought that their eyes were wide open that their sins have kept them in darkness. Though they were among Christ they never truly comprehended who Jesus was.

## Youth Service Fourth Sunday in Lent March 15, 2026

### Gospel Acclamation

Bless thy word unto our hearts and glorify Thy Name //  
Glorify The Name, Oh Lord //  
Bless thy word unto our hearts and glorify Thy Name.

### Offertory: Jehovah You I Trust

Jehovah, You  
I trust in You  
Oh Lord  
Jehovah, You  
I trust in You  
I believe, I believe

You, I trust in You  
Oh Lord  
Jehovah, You  
I trust in You  
I believe, I believe

You are the God of miracles  
You are the God of wonders  
You are the God all powerful  
I believe, I believe, I believe  
I believe, I believe, I believe

### Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

1. Open the eyes of my heart, Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You  
I want to see You. **R**

To see You high and lifted up  
Shinin' in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy, holy, holy  
I want to see you, I want to see you.

## Light of the World

### 1. Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

#### *Refrain*

*So here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me*

2. King of all days, oh, so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came to the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor. **R**

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross. **R**

### Amazing Grace (Chris Tomlin)

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now I'm found  
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

#### *Refrain*

*My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns  
Unending love, amazing grace*

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures. **R**

### Recessional: We Are Walking in the Light of God

1. We are marching in the light of God,////.

We are marching, marching,  
We are marching, Oh!  
We are marching in the light of God (repeat)

2. We are living in the love of God.////

We are living, living,  
We are living, Oh!  
We are living in the love of God (repeat)

3. We are moving in the power of God////

We are moving, moving .  
We are moving, Oh!  
We are moving in the power of God (repeat)

4. We are marching in the light of God.////

We are marching, marching,  
We are marching, Oh!  
We are marching in the light of God (repeat)