



**Welcome to St. Alban's Episcopal Church
The 5th Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 22, 2026
8am Worship Service**

St. Alban's seeks to be an open and welcoming, Christ-centered community committed to sharing Christ's love, empowering all people to grow spiritually, deepening our relationship with Christ, and living out our faith in our community and the world.

Scripture Summaries
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
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The First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones is a promise that Israel as a nation, though dead in exile, will live again in their land through God's life-giving spirit. Three times Israel is assured that through this vision they will know that "I am the Lord."

The Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11

For Paul, Christian spirituality entails living in the reality of the Holy Spirit. The driving force behind our actions and values is not our sinful desire for self-satisfaction but the very Spirit by which God raised Jesus from the dead and will also raise us from the dead.

The Gospel Reading: John 11:1-45

Jesus is moved to sorrow when his friend Lazarus falls ill and dies. Then, in a dramatic scene, he calls his friend out of the tomb and restores him to life.

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| Opening Hymn | <i>All My Hope on God Is Founded</i> | Hymn 665 |
| Penitential Order | | BCP 319 |
| Opening Acclamation | | BCP 319 |
| Decalogue | | BCP 317 |
| Confession & Absolution | | BCP 320 |
| Kyrie | | BCP 324 |
| The Collect of the Day | | Scripture Insert |
| The First Reading | <i>Ezekiel 37:1-14</i> | Scripture Insert |
| Psalm | <i>Psalm 130</i> | Scripture Insert |
| The Second Reading | <i>Romans 8:6-11</i> | Scripture Insert |
| The Gospel | <i>John 11:1-45</i> | Scripture Insert |
| Sermon | | Fr. Greg Peters |
| The Apostle's Creed | | BCP 53 |
| Prayers of the People | | BCP 329 |
| The Peace | | BCP 332 |
| Birthday & Anniversary Prayers, Announcements | | |
| Offertory (seated) | <i>Every Time I Feel the Spirit Moving in My Heart</i> | Bulletin p. 4 |
| Doxology (stand) | | Hymn 380, vs. 3 |
| Eucharistic Prayer I | | BCP 333 |
| Sanctus | | BCP 334 |
| The Lord's Prayer | | BCP 336 |
| The Breaking of the Bread | | BCP 337 |
| Prayer of Humble Access | | BCP 337 |
| Invitation to Communion | | |
| Post Communion Prayer | | BCP 339 |
| The Solemn Prayer over the People | | |
| Closing Hymn | <i>Put Forth, O God, Thy Spirit's Might</i> | Hymn 521 |
| Dismissal | | |

Every Time I Feel the Spirit Moving in My Heart

Harmony

Ev - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev - ry time I feel the

Fine

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

unison

1. Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his
2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the

1. mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so
2. bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

D.C.

1. fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.
2. track, runs to heav - en and runs right back.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

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Celebrant & Preacher

Organist

Crucifers

Reader

Alms Bearer

Chalice Bearer

Altar Guild

Father Greg Peters

Jon Breitenbach-Patch

Raina Kille

Hailey Lanum

John Rowan

Bob Chaffee/Diana Powell

Jim Gilman

Pam Pomeroy

J.L. Krilevich

Scripture Readings for March 29th

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66

Weekly Sunday Outreach Basket Offerings

1st week—Food Bank

2nd week—Discretionary Fund

3rd week—Quarterly Outreach Offering

4th week—International Relief Offering

5th Week—Indigenous Women's Offering



For Online donations:

go to www.StAlbansEdmonds.org and click on "Donate Now" or use QR code above.

Announcements

Easter Candy Time: With Easter speeding up on us, it is time to ask for candy contributions for another successful EASTER EGG HUNT. Please consider bringing in a bag of candy or two through Sunday, March 22nd, and join us on March 22nd after both services for an Easter Egg Stuffing Party! Please note, this is the Sunday BEFORE Palm Sunday.

Lenten Soup Suppers & Spiritual Disciplines Lenten Series each Wednesday during Lent: Join us each Wednesday throughout Lent for our Lenten Soup Suppers and Program. This year's series is an exploration of spiritual disciplines, based on Richard Foster's book, *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth*. We'll also include some insights in each of the disciplines from mystics old and new. As is our practice we begin with Evening Prayer at 6:00pm in the sanctuary, followed by dinner at 6:30pm and discussion is at 7:00 pm. Please join us for this engaging series. There are sign-up sheets in the parish hall for those who can provide soup, salad, bread, dessert, drink, or help set-up and clean-up.

Easter Flower Donations: Envelopes are in pews for parishioners to contribute to the altar flowers for Easter. Your generous donations are what make our church beautiful for Easter. Your dedication can be a memorial, celebration of an important event, or as a gift of God. Donations/donations are received at any time, however if you wish to be listed in the Easter bulletin, please have your dedication to the office on or before Palm Sunday. Please indicate "Easter Flowers" on your checks.

Baptism Class: We're starting a Baptism preparation class between services. If you would like to join in this class, join in exploring the meaning and implications of baptism, and share your experiences of faithful living, please join us **Wednesday afternoons 4:30pm** in the Parish Hall. Whether you've been baptized for 1 year or many decades, your insights, perspectives, and observations will enrich our discussion.

April 2nd Maundy Thursday Agape Potluck & Service 6pm: Join us for a special Maundy Thursday Service that includes hand/foot washing and an agape potluck with Eucharist. We move into the Sanctuary as we remember Gethsemane and strip the altar.

The culinary theme of our meal will be Eastern Mediterranean, and we invite you to bring a dish you would like to share on the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. Baked chicken and beverages will be provided. Please join us for this very special and meaningful evening of fellowship and worship. The service will be in person only.

Meaningful Movies Project Presents THE INQUISITOR on Sunday, March 22nd at 3pm:

The Meaningful Movies Project presents *The Inquisitor*, the life story of Texas Congresswoman Barbara Jordan, the first Black woman from the South elected to Congress. Jordan became a well-known figure during the Watergate hearings. The film encourages viewers to question those in power and think about how to build a more active and fair future for everyone. A panel discussion, led by Rev. Carla Robinson, follows the screening. This event is online and free.

Click on this link for more information and to register for the screening, go to <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/the-inquisitor/>



Holy Week and Easter

Sunday, March 29th - Palm Sunday: Join us at 8am (in person) and 10:30am (in person and livestreamed on YouTube) on March 29th as we celebrate Palm Sunday. We will gather in the Parish Hall prior to each service. After the blessing of our palms, we'll process around the grounds joyfully. After the processional, we'll return to the sanctuary for a Palm Sunday service (at 8am) and for a reading of The Passion According to Matthew (at 10:30am). There will be no coffee hour at either service.

Monday March 30th - Evening Prayer for Holy Week 6pm: Evening Prayer featuring St. Mark's Passion. This service will only be livestreamed on YouTube.

Tuesday March 31st - Evening Prayer for Holy Week 6pm: Evening Prayer featuring St. Luke's Passion. This service will only be livestreamed on YouTube.

Wednesday April 1st - Tenebrae Service 6pm: Tenebrae is a Latin word meaning "shadows." The Tenebrae service is a selection of psalms and lessons. The distinctive feature of Tenebrae is the gradual extinction of the candles in the church with the exception of one candle. The people leave in silence. This service will be in person and livestreamed on YouTube.

Thursday April 2nd - Maundy Thursday Worship 6pm: Join us for a Maundy Thursday Agape Potluck with Eucharist and hand/foot washing. We move into the Sanctuary as we remember Gethsemane and strip the altar. On the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall indicate a dish you would like to share if you are able. Please join us for this very special and meaningful evening of worship. The service will be in person.

Friday April 3rd - Good Friday Services at 12pm at St. Alban's & 6pm at St. Hilda/St. Patrick Stations of the Cross at St. Alban's: We'll gather at 12pm at St. Alban's for our Good Friday Service and at 6pm at St. Hilda St. Patrick. Please sign up in the Parish Hall if you'd like to carpool for the 6pm service. Between 12pm-5pm on Good Friday, there will be a self-paced Stations of the Cross in the Labyrinth at St. Alban's.

Saturday April 4th - Holy Saturday Service Noon: Join us at 12pm for a short, meditative service keeping watch during Christ's descent among the dead. This service will only be livestreamed on YouTube.

Saturday April 4th - Easter Egg Hunt 1pm: We warmly welcome all to St. Alban's Easter Egg Hunt, which is specifically designed to meet the needs of all abilities and is wheelchair accessible. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate. Please invite your family, friends, and neighbors! If you are able to help on the day of the hunt, please contact Shannon Duggan.

Saturday April 4th - Easter Vigil 8pm: We will gather outdoors for a fire lighting and meet in the sanctuary afterward for the Lessons, Renewal of Baptismal Covenant, and Eucharist. Please join us for this beautiful service. It will be both in person and livestreamed on YouTube.

Sunday April 5th - Easter Sunday Eucharist: Join us at 8am (in person) and 10:30am (in person and livestreamed on YouTube) on Easter Sunday as we celebrate the Resurrection! We'll enjoy fellowship and a special coffee hour between services.