

St. Alban the Martyr

London, Ontario

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 11th, 2018

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Lector: John Maddox

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Lector: Michelle Viglianti

Guest Organist: Martha Upton

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, SAYS THE LORD; THOSE WHO FOLLOW ME WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE. JOHN 8.12

Hymn # 3 **"Morning Has Broken"** Blue Book
Announcements and Welcome

Gathering of the Community Page 185
Trisagion Page 707
The Collect See Insert

Proclamation of the Word

FIRST READING Numbers 21: 4-9 See Insert

Psalm: 107: 1-3, 17-22

SECOND READING Ephesians 2: 1-10 See Insert

Hymn # 402 **"Come and Fill Our Hearts"** Blue Book

GOSPEL John 3: 14-21 See Insert

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Sermon

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Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

The Peace of Christ is Shared Among Us

Offertory Hymn # 371 **"To God be the Glory"**

Blue Book

Prayer over the Gifts See Insert

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Anglican Church in Southern Africa

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: Almighty God, good Father to us all,
your face is ever turned towards your world.

In love you created us in your own image,
yet in disobedience we continue to distort that image.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son

to rescue us from sin and death,

yet in disobedience we continue to try

to earn our salvation.

In love you poured out your Spirit

to empower a community of faith,

yet in disobedience we continue to

live selfishly in our own strength.

Into the darkness, Jesus came as your light.

With signs of faith and words of hope

he touched untouchables with love

and washed the guilty clean

He accepted the way of the cross

All: That we might know the way of salvation.

Celebrant: Father of all, we give you thanks

for every gift that comes from heaven.

We do not always understand them,

we do not always accept them,

we cannot always appreciate them.

As we stand at the foot of the cross today,

we can only wonder at the depth of your love,
and bow down and worship.

Celebrant: He accepted the way of the cross
All: That we might know the way of salvation.

Celebrant: The crowds came out to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.
In Gethsemane he asked that you
might take this cup from him,
Yet willingly he surrendered to your will for our sake.

Celebrant: He accepted the way of the cross
All: That we might know the way of salvation.

Celebrant: On the night that he was betrayed
He came to the table with his friends
to celebrate the freedom of your people.
Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;
He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
this is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;
He took the cup, gave it and said:
this is my blood, shed for you all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in remembrance of me.

Celebrant: He accepted the way of the cross
All: That we might know the way of salvation.

Celebrant: Therefore, Father, with this bread and this
cup we celebrate the cross
on which he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again
And is alive with you to plead for us
And for all the world.
Send your Spirit on us now
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ
with eyes wide open and hearts on fire.

He accepted the way of the cross
All: That we might know the way of salvation.

Celebrant: May we and all who share this food
offer ourselves to live for you
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven
where all creation worships you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Now and for ever.

All: Amen.

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Communion Hymns

Hymn # 485 **"Love Divine, All Loves"** Blue Book

Hymn # 362 **"Tell Out, My Soul"** Blue Book

Prayer After Communion See Insert

The Lord's Prayer (sung holding hands)
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Blessing
Hymn # 393 **"Immortal, Invisible, God..."** Blue Book

Dismissal

Altar Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the Glory
of God and to a newfound loving relationship by Mary
Anne Morrison

