

BRUTON PARISH
1674

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

MARCH 1, 2026

9:15 IN THE MORNING IN THE CHURCH
(LIVE-STREAMED)

Prelude: *Largo* from Violin Sonata in F major, Op. 1 Nr. 12 G. F. Handel
Hüseyin Uysal, Violinist
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Welcome & Announcements

Hymn 448

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Deus tuorum militum

**O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
how passing thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.**

**For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptation sharp he knew,
for us the tempter overthrew.**

**For us he prayed; for us he taught;
for us his daily works he wrought:
by words and signs and actions, thus
still seeking not himself, but us.**

**For us to wicked hands betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us gave up his dying breath.**

**For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.**

**All glory to our Lord and God
for love so deep, so high, so broad;
the Trinity whom we adore
for ever and for evermore.**

A Penitential Order

BCP, p. 351

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

The Decalogue

BCP, p. 350

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

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

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

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not commit murder.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant You shall not steal.
People **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

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

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

The Confession

BCP, p. 352

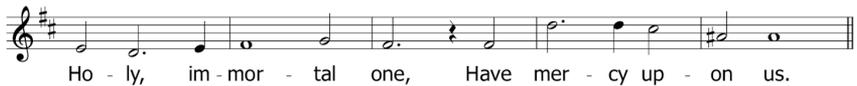
Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister 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.**

Celebrant: 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.**



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Genesis

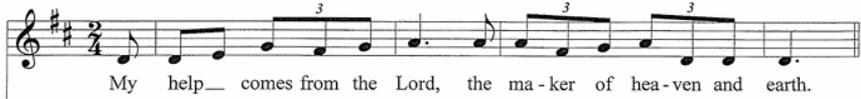
The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121

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- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth. **Antiphon**
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep; **Antiphon**
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night. **Antiphon**
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore. **Antiphon**

The Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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**When Christ was lifted from the earth,
his arms stretched out above
through every culture, every birth,
to draw an answering love.**

**Still east and west his love extends
and always, near or far,
he calls and claims us as his friends
and loves us as we are.**

**Where generation, class, or race
divide us to our shame,
he sees not labels but a face,
a person, and a name.**

**Thus freely loved, though fully known,
may I in Christ be free
to welcome and accept his own
as Christ accepted me.**

The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-7

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,

that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Charles H. Bauer

The Nicene Creed

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**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.**

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

We pray for Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Susan, our Bishop; Bill, Lauren, and Charlie, our clergy, and for all bishops and other ministers.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Guide the people of this land, especially Donald, our president, the Congress of the United States, the courts, our state and local leaders, and the people of all nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. We pray for those whose lives and homes have been devastated by natural disasters.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray for the students, faculty, and staff of William & Mary, especially the students and leaders preparing to depart on pilgrimage this week.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially those who are sick, those who are hungry, thirsty, or without a home, those who live in war-torn countries, those who are refugees or asylum seekers, those who are victims of violence, and those who are suffering from the destructive power of addiction. Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your

salvation. We pray for those listed on our parish prayer list, and for those whom we name now.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a Concluding Collect.

The Peace

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Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: On Love Divine, How Sweet Thou Art Peter Matthews

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Presentation Hymn 143, v. 5

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Erhalt uns, Herr

**O Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
to thee be every prayer addressed,
who art in three-fold Name adored,
from age to age, the only Lord.**

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer C

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.**

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, Sustainer of the Universe.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: shining light and enfolding dark; the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with the capacity for memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of your creation.

Glorify you for ever and ever.

But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. Again and again you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Savior. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

Glorify you for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus: Aurora and Gloucester Street Mass Sarah MacDonald
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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord,
 God of pow'r and might, Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry,
 Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho-sanna in the high-est, Ho-
 -sanna in the high-est. Blessed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord, who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san-na in the high-est, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, we celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Therefore, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Sanctify us also, and let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only and not for strength; for pardon only and not for renewal.

Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

**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.**

Agnus Dei: Aurora and Gloucester Street Mass
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Sarah MacDonald

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins___ of the world, have mer - cy on
us, have mer - cy on us.____

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins___ of the world, have mer - cy on
us, have mer - cy on us.____

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins___ of the
world,___ Grant us peace,___ grant_____ us peace.

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

Music during Communion:

Adagio from Violin Sonata in F major, Op. 1 Nr. 12

G. F. Handel

Hymn during communion 313

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Jesus, meine Zuversicht

**Let thy Blood in mercy poured,
let thy gracious Body broken,
be to me, O gracious Lord,
of thy boundless love the token.
Thou didst give thyself for me,
now I give myself to thee.**

**Thou didst die that I might live;
blessed Lord, thou cam'st to save me;
all that love of God could give
Jesus by his sorrows gave me.
Thou didst give thyself for me,
now I give myself to thee.**

**By the thorns that crowned thy brow,
by the spear-wound and the nailing,
by the pain and death, I now
claim, O Christ, thy love unfailing.
Thou didst give thyself for me,
now I give myself to thee.**

**Wilt thou own the gift I bring?
All my penitence I give thee;
thou art my exalted King,
of thy matchless love forgive me.
Thou didst give thyself for me,
now I give myself to thee.**

Hymn during communion 337

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Unde et memores

**And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
and having with us him that pleads above,
we here present, we here spread forth to thee,
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.**

**Look Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
for lo! between our sins and their reward,
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.**

**And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast!
O do thine utmost for their soul's true weal!
From tainting mischief keep them pure and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.**

**And so we come; O draw us to thy feet,
most patient Savior, who canst love us still!
And by this food, so awesome and so sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill:
in thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us nevermore to part from thee.**

Hymn during communion 489

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Tallis' Ordinal

**The great Creator of the worlds,
the sovereign God of heaven,
his holy and immortal truth
to all on earth hath given.**

**He sent no angel of his host
to bear this mighty word,
but him through whom the worlds were made,
the everlasting Lord.**

**He sent him not in wrath and power,
but grace and peace to bring;
in kindness, as a king might send
his son, himself a king.**

**He sent him down as sending God;
in flesh to us he came;
as one with us he dwelt with us,
and bore a human name.**

**He came as Savior to his own,
the way of love he trod;
he came to win us by good will,
for force is not of God.**

**Not to oppress, but summon all
their truest life to find,
in love God sent his Son to save,
not to condemn mankind.**

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People: **We who are many are one body, because we share in one bread, one cup.**

The Post Communion Prayer

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.

Prayer Over the People

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Refrain:

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.**

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.
Refrain**

**Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died
Refrain**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.
Refrain**

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory.
Refrain**

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Procession on *Crucifer* (Saint Wilfrid's Suite) Andrew Carter
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In your prayers this week, please remember persons for whom our prayers are asked, especially Alexander, Alice, Alice B., Allison, Bill K., Bob, Bonner, Byrne, Carole, Caulder, Chuck, Claire, Cliff, Dave, David, Dawn, Derek, Dick and Paula, Ed, Erica, Gary, Gene, George, Jack, Jackson, Jean, Jim, Judith, Kate, Larry, Laura, Leni, Leslie, Mackenzie, Marcia, Margaret, Mark, Mary, (Pattee), Mike, Mike J., Pat, Reginald, Sally, Sarah, Steve, Steve N., Tracy, Will; for all caregivers; **all who serve in the armed forces**, especially Catherine Bean, Billy, Cameron Blount, Matt Bosworth, Michael Boyle, Ned Burgwyn, Matthew Burleson, Willard Burleson, Dane Butler, Mason Butler, Justin Chalkley, Christopher Chavez, James Coffey, Jake Cooley, Andrew Cox, Charles Cox, Kyle Defibaugh, Patrick Diehl, Connor Diesing, Duane Diesing, Monte Dunard, Daniel Faughnan, Ryan Frantz, John Gaston, Abby Goetsch, Joshua Hays, Rob Hodgson, Michael Holm, Jeff Hunter, Chip Huntsberry, Dane Jansson, Maddox Jurgensen, Jason Kelly, Charles Lewis, Jr., Thomas Lovegren, David L. McKinney, Michael H. Manson Jr., Patrick Menkhaus, Courtney Miyamasu, Katherine

Miyamasu, Timothy Moffitt, Stephen Mongold, Jordan Morgan, Phillip Morrison, Joshua Mullen, Logan O'Donnell, Spencer O'Donnell, Steven Paul Pearce, Donald Ernest Perkins III, Jeremy Provencher, Jonathan Rogers, Lauren Rogers, Trevor Rogers, Michelle Rose, Mike Rose, Conner S., Sean Garand, Jasper Smith, Carson Strassels, Ryan Suders, Henry White, John Wilkes; and **we pray for the departed.**

Announcements

Coffee Connections: Join us today either in the church courtyard (weather permitting) or the Custis House for coffee, water, food, and fellowship between the 9:15 and 11:15am services. If you would like to participate in the Coffee Connections ministry, please email coffee@brutonparish.org.

Newcomers' Corner, March 1, 10:15am: Join us in the Custis House this morning and meet the clergy, vestry, other parishioners, and learn more about the many ministries here at Bruton Parish.

Lent Drive to Benefit our Care Closets: This Lent we are collecting much needed items for our Care Closets at Berkeley Middle & Lafayette High Schools. Each Sunday, please bring a needed item to church when you come! If you prefer not to shop, you are welcome to make a monetary donation to this effort. Make your checks payable to Bruton Parish Church and write "Care Closets" in the memo line (or visit our website, click GIVE NOW in the upper right-hand corner, and be sure to change the Fund Field to *Care Closets*). You can place your check in the offering plate on Sundays, bring your check to the church office (M-F, 8am-4pm), or mail it to the church. Thank you for your love and support for our young neighbors. If you have any questions, please call the church office. **Week 3 (March 8) - Paper Products** (i.e. tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, feminine products, liquid detergent and detergent pods, etc.).

First Fridays Recovery Eucharist, March 6, 5:30pm: Join us in the church (and livestreamed on our YouTube Channel). SpiritWorks Foundation and Bruton Parish host this monthly service with prayers and readings that focus on helping people find ways to live faithfully in the midst of any kind of suffering, especially addiction, trauma, and codependency. Join us in praying for those still struggling, mourning those we've lost, and celebrating with those experiencing recovery. All are invited. Please contact the Rev. Lauren McDonald for more information.

The Women's Theological Book Group, March 12, 1pm: Our next book is *The Serviceberry* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. All women are welcome to join us. For questions or to be added to the group email list, please contact Rev. Lauren (lmcdonald@brutonparish.org).

Bruton Singles Dinner @ Kephi Greek Restaurant, March 14, 6pm: Come and join us for dinner at Kephi Greek Kitchen (1635 Richmond Road). We will enjoy authentic Greek cuisine and atmosphere together and catch up. It will be a fun way to explore another culture and its popular food. Looking forward to seeing you there! Please RSVP via email directly to singles@brutonparish.org.

Inquirer's Class - Exploring our Episcopal Faith, through March 15, 12:30pm: Are you new to Bruton and the Episcopal Church? Or are you a longtime member curious to learn more about the Church and explore your life of faith? The Inquirer's Class is for you! Continuing on Sundays at 12:30pm in the Parish Hall through March 15, this series will be led by our clergy and others. A light lunch is provided. This series is for all, and is also preparation for adults seeking baptism, confirmation, or reaffirmation. Please email the Rev'd Charlie Bauer (cbauer@brutonparish.org) with questions and to sign up.

Ribbon Cross Workshop, March 17, 10am: Women of Bruton invite you to this workshop upstairs in the Coffee, Tea & Thee Room of the parish house. No RSVP is needed (just bring scissors). Proceeds from the revenue from Ribbon Crosses, which are sold in the Bruton Shop, enable us to help support local community needs. You will not be expected to make the crosses all by yourself; we have a fun and easy mentoring program which also helps provide a great way to meet others in our parish! If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Trapani at (757) 208-0732.

Bruton Gift Shop, Afternoon Tea, March 19, 2-3:30pm: What's new in the shop? Wait until you see our adorable plush animals, our beautiful journals and notecards, our stylish handbags, and Easter decor. Our books, oh our books! Spring is right around the corner and we are ready. Daffodils are starting to bloom with each sunny day and the birds are chirping early in the morning. Let us rejoice and be glad! Attention Doll Collectors: We have a very special collection of antique dolls donated to Heavenly Treasurers (some with additional hand sewn wardrobe). They are sitting in a wonderful old carriage just waiting to go home with you! The shop will host Afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall from 2-3:30 on Thursday, March 19. Please call 757-220-1489 during our business hours from 11am to 5pm to make your reservation. Remember that we offer a 10% discount to parishioners. Proceeds from your purchases benefit people in need in our community.

Bruton Social, March 20, 5:30pm: Please join us for the next Bruton Social scheduled for Friday, March 20, at 5:30pm, hosted by Leith and Chuck Mullaly. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to chuckleith@cox.net by March 16. Thanks to Lisa Lucas for hosting in February, we had a good turnout and a nice time was had by all. These gatherings provide the opportunity for parishioners to get together and enjoy fellowship over food and drink. These are held in the home of a parishioner, and the host provides beverages while guests provide shareable appetizers or light snacks. If you are interested in hosting at your home in 2026, please let Alan Kriz know at alan.kriz@gmail.com. As of now, we have a host for May (Kentucky Derby party!), and we are looking for hosts for the rest of the year, including April. If you have questions about the program, please feel free to give Alan a call at 860-608-8391.

Easter Lily Donations, March 27: The deadline for receiving names to be included in the Easter bulletin as a memorial, a thank offering, or in honor of someone special is Friday, March 27. *Please make checks payable to Bruton Parish (with "lilies" in the memo) and mail them directly to Dianne Spence at 102 Walnut Hills Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23185-3427.* Please include your phone number on the check or correspondence. Contact Dianne directly if you have questions at 757-870-3154.

Palm Sunday, March 29: Services of Holy Eucharist will begin at 8am, 9:15am (beginning on the Palace Green at 9am and then live-streamed indoors), and 11:15am. If you are interested in helping hand out palms, please contact Brian Hanlon, Usher Coordinator, by email at hanlonb007@gmail.com or text/call (757) 240-3044, as soon as possible. **Passion Choral Evensong - Stabat Mater - Emanuele d'Astorga, March 29, 5:30pm.**

Baptisms at Bruton: Baptism is core to our Christian identity. From Jesus' baptism, to our own baptism, to celebrating those in our midst entering into the new life in Christ, we love baptisms at Bruton. There are specific Sundays that are particularly appropriate for baptisms: the Baptism of Jesus on Sunday, January 11; the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 4 at 8 pm; the bishop's visitation, Sunday, April 19; the Feast of Pentecost, Sunday, May 24; and the Feast of All Saints, Sunday, November 1. If you are thinking about baptism, please speak with a member of the clergy or our staff member Christine Britton.

Canterbury Gala, April 18, 6-8pm: Canterbury: the Episcopal Church at William & Mary invites you to save the date for this year's Black Tie Gala in support of Canterbury's ministry. We will return this year to the Great Hall of the Historic Wren Building on campus - tickets are available at episcopalwm.org/gala! Canterbury also seeks donations for the silent auction; reach out to canterbury@brutonparish.org if you have items you might donate.

Bible Lectionary Study, Tuesdays, 9am: Bruton's Tuesday morning lectionary seminar, led by the Rev. Steven Woolley, offers an opportunity for a deep dive into scripture, congenial conversation, and a little levity. Please join us in the parish house library each Tuesday morning from 9-10am where we promise to start and end on time.

Realm: If you need help setting up your Realm account or have questions, please contact Margaret Driscoll at mdriscoll@brutonparish.org or (757) 345-2256

Friends of Bruton's purpose is to provide a way for individuals and families, who may live throughout the United States and indeed around the world, to participate in the preservation and promotion of the unique history and spiritual legacy of Bruton Parish Church. Friends of Bruton is open to all who share this vision. Become a Friend of Bruton and a Cornerstone Circle Member by visiting www.bruntonparish.org/fobowc, where you can also read the current issue of *The Bruton Fount*, our periodic electronic newsletter.

Children & Youth Formation

Nursery for newborns through age four is available in the Parish House during the 9:15am and 11:15am. If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Brewer at mbrewer@brutonparish.org or (252) 347-7078.

Children's Church will be held this morning at 9:15am in St. Mary's Chapel in the Parish House. Parents are invited to bring their children to the chapel around 9am, then head to the church for worship. Be sure to save them a seat, as they'll join the congregation during the Peace. **Sunday School** will continue at 10:30am in the Parish House followed by **Children's Choir Rehearsal** at 11am.

Youth Mission Trip Informational Meeting, March 1, 4:30pm: The Bruton youth will be heading to Asheville, NC for their mission trip July 12-17. While we were supposed to be heading to Pennsylvania, accommodations could not be met for our numbers. A brief informational meeting will be held on Sunday, March 1, at 4:30pm in the Parish Hall. We are very excited to be working with AYM in Asheville. Since Hurricane Helene, that area has been devastated, and has more needs than ever.

Youth Confirmation Classes, through March 15, 12:30-1:30pm: Classes for 9th-12th graders will combine with the Inquirer's Class (note the new time!) and conclude on March 15. Lunch is provided. The Bishop will be here for Confirmation Sunday, April 19, during the 9:15am service. Please let Meghan Brewer know if your youth plans to participate.

Vacation Bible School: Glow for Jesus - Let Your Light Shine, August 3-7, 9am-noon: VBS for 3-year-olds through 5th graders will be held at Bruton Parish this year, and include Hickory Neck and St. Martin's churches also. There is a nominal registration fee to assist us in providing snacks and craft supplies during the week. The fee schedule for the week is \$15 for the first child; \$10 for the second child and \$25 maximum/family. Please watch for more information and when registration opens. If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Brewer at mbrewer@brutonparish.org or 757-345-6489.

Candlelight Concerts in the Church

Saturday, March 7 @ 7pm - Organ Recital
Dr. JanEl Will, Organist at Bruton Parish

Thursday, March 12 @ 8pm - Baroque Cello Recital
J. S. Bach's Cello Suites 1 & 6 - Juliana Soltis, Baroque Cellist

Participants @ 9:15am

Acolytes	Henry, Susannah, Vivienne, Miles
First Reader	Adam Buckley
Second Reader	Elizabeth Witten
Prayer Leader	Richard Witten
Chalicer 1	Gary Harvey
Chalicer 2	Margaret Steel
Prayer Leader	Sharra Kelly
Altar Guild	Judi & Bill Dorn
Ushers	John & Melinda Morgan, Tucker Edmonds, Bert Axtell, Leslie Johnson
A/V Ministry	Ed Bayne

Clergy & Staff

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The Rev. Lauren M. McDonald, Associate Rector
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