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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 26, 2023

9:30am



† Celebrating God's grace through acts of love and service †

To Our Guests,

- The type in **bold** is for the congregation to say.
- The * Indicates "Stand if you are able".
- Visitor sheets are located in the red folders in front of you.

Introduction

In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life.

Welcome

Prelude *O How He Loves You and Me - Wonderous Love*

Meditation

Psalm 130

I wait for you, O Lord; in your word is my hope. (Ps. 130:5)

¹Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD;

²O LORD, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of
my supplication.

³If you were to keep watch over sins,
O LORD, who could stand?

⁴Yet with you is forgiveness,
in order that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;
in your word is my hope.

⁶My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep
watch for the morning,
more than those who keep watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there
is steadfast love;

with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.
⁸For the LORD shall redeem Israel
from all their sins.

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who journeys with us these forty days,
and sustains us with the gift of grace.

Amen.

Let us acknowledge before God and one another
our need for repentance and God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection

Holy God, **we confess to you our faults and failings.
Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word;
we take for ourselves instead of giving to others;
we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt
though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in
your way of life.**

Amen.

Hear the good news: God so loved the world that
God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life.
This promise is for you! God embraces you with
divine mercy, † forgives you in Christ's name,
and revives you in the Spirit's power.

Amen.

***Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

***Hymn of Praise:** *Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

ELW 866 1 & 4

***Prayer of the Day** (AM)

Almighty God, **your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Reading: (AM)

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.

⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." ¹⁷When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." ²⁸When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." ²⁹And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" ³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone

was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." ⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The good news of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Children's Song

Lord be Glorified

ELW 744

- 1 In My Life Lord, be glorified
- 2 In My Church Lord, Be glorified

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land* **ELW 333**

Prayers of Intercession (AM)

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Brief Silence

Merciful God, **receive our prayer**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Peace (AM)

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering Message

***Offering Prayer** (AM)

God of good gifts, **receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen.**

***Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer**

Gathered by the holy spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion Hymn *What Wondrous Love is this* **ELW 666**

Prayer after Communion

Embodied God, **at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love. Amen.**

Announcements

***Blessing**

God, the giver of love, † Christ,
the resurrection and the life,
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth
bless you in this Lenten journey.
Amen.

***Sending Hymn** *Restore in Us, O Lord* **ELW 328**

***Dismissal (AM)**

Go in peace. Serve in Love.

We go, celebrating God's grace through acts of love and service. Thanks be to God!



OUR PRAYER LIST



Joe D. for strength and healing and he continues with health **Joe D.** for strength and healing and he continues with health issues.

Vince L. for strength and comfort with health issues.

Katie H. (friend of Fenske's) for strength and healing for her health issues.

Brett S. (Friend of Mike P) for strength and healing with health issues.

Nolan H. (Son of Marita M.) for strength an healing.

Jane D. (sister-in-law of Donna M) for strength and healing as she recovers from her health issues.

Mary B. (friend of Kathy B) for strength and comfort as she deals with her health issues.

Heather H (granddaughter of Bill and Donna M) for strength and healing with health issues.

Steve H. (Friend of Mike P) for strength and healing with health issues.

Alan K. (Friend of Mike P) for strength and healing with health issues.

Chuck H. (Friend of Mike P) for strength and healing with health issues.

The family of Thea Stecker (Carl S. and Kari D.'s Mother) for comfort and peace as they mourn her passing.

Grace Lutheran Church our prayer partners.

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SUNDAY COFFEE TIME

April 2 Miyo Park April 9 Easter Brunch

You will find the Sign-up sheet on the Kitchen door.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, Mar 27, 9am-11am- Food donation drop-off at WSC

Wednesday, Mar 29, 12:30 pm—Westside Cares Pantry

Wednesday, Mar 29, 6:00 pm - Soup/Vespers Service

Wednesday, Mar 29, 7:00 pm—Bible Study—Chronicles 1 & 2

Sunday, April 2, 9:30 am— Palm Sunday Service

Welcome Rev. Phil Erlander at the worship today. Phil is a retired pastor of the ELCA.

Soup suppers are on Wednesday's at **6:00 pm**. With vespers following. We'll serve a vegetarian soup, and a gluten-free bread each week. Sign up on our kitchen door.

Need transportation for the next couple of weeks? Please contact Nancy Ellis at 970-596-0847. She'd be happy to pick you up and drop you off afterwards.

Faith Formation Ministry Meeting March 30, 7pm- I invite all of you to consider joining our review of the ministry of Faith Formation. We will meet to share ideas and plans for how CTK encourages growth in our faith as children, youth, and adults. The meeting will be in the fellowship hall and on zoom at the Team Ministry link (www.ctkcs.org) or ID 84103735652 PC 041640.

HOLY WEEK at CTK

Join us to remember the passion and resurrection of our Lord

April 2-Palm/Passion Sunday- 9:30am start Palm procession up on War Eagle

April 6-Maundy Thursday-6:30pm, zoom available at regular worship link

April 7-Good Friday-6:30pm, zoom available at regular worship link

April 8-Kid's Cook- 9am

April 9-Easter Celebration- 9:30am worship, followed by Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt

Lent Food Drive for WSC - Fun fact #5: Have you seen the new adorable Campbell's Chicken Noodle Soup label? Look for yourself and pick up a few cans of soup for clients at Westside Cares. Please and thank you!

Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers are needed. We need plastic eggs. Also small individually wrapped candies, small toys, and scripture quotes to fill the plastic eggs. Contact Terri Kelly @ 830-822-6954.

Kids Bake and Easter Service Day on April 8 at 9am.

Easter Brunch is on! Plan on bringing an item and staying after the service on April 9th for food, fellowship and fun! More details next week...Debra and Kathleen..

Annual Audit - will take place on Tuesday, **April 11th from 5 - 9pm.** If you would like to join the team effort, please contact Kathy Blanchard at ikblanch@comcast.net. I am also looking for a volunteer(s) to provide a light dinner for the group

Bishop Eaton/ELCA Presiding Bishop- "Let us recognize and affirm the humanity of our transgender and nonbinary siblings. Let us advocate for their dignity. Let us continue to be guided by God's love and compassion as we seek justice and equality for everyone. Full statement, see newsletter 3/22.

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