

A Reconciling in Christ congregation, celebrating the diversity of God's children and fostering understanding and healing in community

Fifth Sunday in Lent



April 3, 2022

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all... an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Love Your Neighbor

- <u>Masks are required coming into the building and in the Narthex. Folks wishing to continue wearing</u> masks for worship are encouraged to sit in the pews on the north side of the Sanctuary; those who wish to remove their masks may sit on the south side of the Sanctuary.
- **Those who wish may stand** during the opening and closing hymns and the reading of the Gospel.
- **During the passing of the peace,** we suggest you place your palms together under your chin in the "namaste" posture as a way to share the peace in a distanced way.
- Individual communion elements are available to pick up inside the Sanctuary door or folks can now choose to receive communion at the front of the church from masked servers distributing individual cups for the wine/grape juice.
- If you wish to use one of the first-floor bathrooms, please follow instructions in the bathroom about disinfecting it after your use. Only one person at a time in the restrooms.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Beneath the Cross of Jesus, arr. John Duro

Welcome





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Greeting

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



Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21 (The Message)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

This is what God says, the God who builds a road right through the ocean, who carves a path through pounding waves, The God who summons horses and chariots and armies they lie down and then can't get up; they're snuffed out like so many candles: "Forget about what's happened; don't keep going over old history. Be alert, be present. I'm about to do something brand-new. It's bursting out! Don't you see it? There it is! I'm making a road through the desert, rivers in the badlands. Wild animals will say 'Thank you!' -the coyotes and the buzzards-Because I provided water in the desert, rivers through the sunbaked earth, Drinking water for the people I chose, the people I made especially for myself. a people custom-made to praise me."

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.



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When the LORD restored the for- I tunes of Zion,

then were we like [|] those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with | shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great | things for them."

The LORD has done great | things for us, and we are | glad indeed.

Restore our for- I tunes, O LORD,

like the watercourses | of the Negeb.

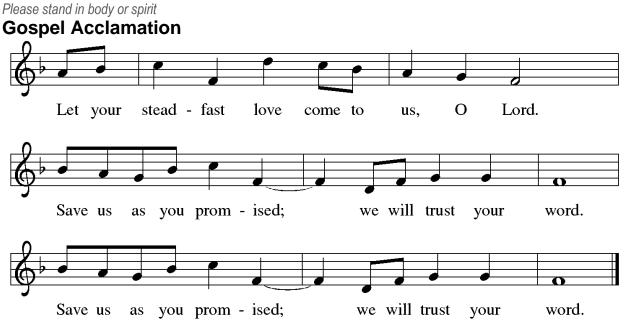
Those who I sowed with tears

will reap with ^I songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,

will come again with joy, shoulder- ¹ ing their sheaves.





Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. John

John 12:1-8 (Inclusive New Testament) John Glory to you, O Lord.

Six days before Passover, Jesus went to Bethany, the village of Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they gave a banquet in Jesus' honor, at which Martha served. Lazarus was one of those at the table.

- Mary brought a pound of costly ointment, pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus, wiping them with her hair. The house was full of the scent of the ointment.
- Judas Iscariot, one of the disciples the one who was to betray Jesus protested, "Why wasn't this ointment sold? It could have brought nearly a year's wages, and the money been given to poor people!" Judas didn't say this because he was concerned for poor people, but because he was a thief. He was in charge of the common fund and would help himself to it.

So Jesus replied, "Leave her alone! She did this in preparation for my burial. You have poor people with you always. But you won't always have me."

The Gospel of the Lord Please be seated

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

RECKLESS BEAUTY

Musical Reflection

I Need Thee Every Hour

ur arr. Joel Raney Karen Kent and Kathy Rapp, Piano duet

I need Thee ev'ry hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine Can peace afford. *Refrain:* I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; Ev'ry hour I need Thee; Oh, bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

I need Thee ev'ry hour, Stay Thou nearby; Temptations lose their pow'r When Thou art nigh. [*Refrain*]

I need Thee ev'ry hour, In joy or pain; Come quickly and abide, Or life is vain. [*Refrain*]

I need Thee ev'ry hour, Teach me Thy will; And Thy rich promises In me fulfill. [*Refrain*]

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

- Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Diane Louangrath, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Shirley and Jack Miller, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Grace and Ken Jones, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kris Kauffman, Kathie Ehrich's sister Betty Weaver, Chad Eberle's mother, Greg Williams, Alyssha Jordan-Bird and Nate Bird, Don Luck, Eileen Day, John Caron, Cathy Oldham and family. Sam Hudson, nephew of Laura and Terry Warren being deployed to Poland, Kathy Denhard, Sue Watson.
- The people of African International Lutheran Mission, Columbus; Redeemer community member Petra Williams

Children's Time

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Show gestures of peace.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal. Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

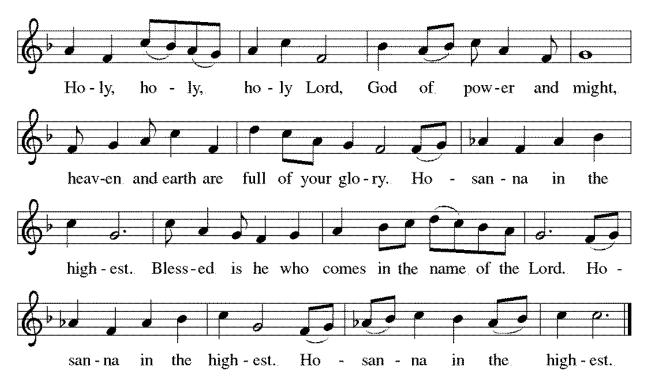
And also with you. We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We are right to praise you, faithful God! You answer sin with grace; you guide our wayward steps toward home. You are mending for the broken, safety for the poor, belonging for the outcast, strength for the weak, and pardon for the sinner.

You reveal your kindness in every sorrow, your mercy even in death. All your creatures see your works; they sing your steadfast love.

We too declare your wonder and grace as with angels and saints we sing:



- Now, O God, we remember Jesus. He fasted and prayed; he was tempted and tried. He relied on you for everything. He was obedient to you and scorned by the powers of this world. He confounded the haughty and gave hope to the humble. He was betrayed and deserted. He died between thieves and was buried in a borrowed grave. You gave him new life. He lives even now, our healer and friend. He loved us well, loved us to the end, and loves us still.
- Even on the night of betrayal, he ate supper with his friends. He took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this to remember me."
- After supper, he took the cup and gave it to them, saying, "This is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."
- Holy Spirit, come! Make all things new. Bless this bread which you have given and human hands have made. Let it become for us the bread of life. Bless also this cup, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. Let it become for us the cup of salvation.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to say:

Lord's Prayer

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. Bless us also who eat and drink, that in this sharing we may know the living Christ who is with us now. Nourish us with your Spirit so that by these gifts we will be bold followers of Jesus' way and life.

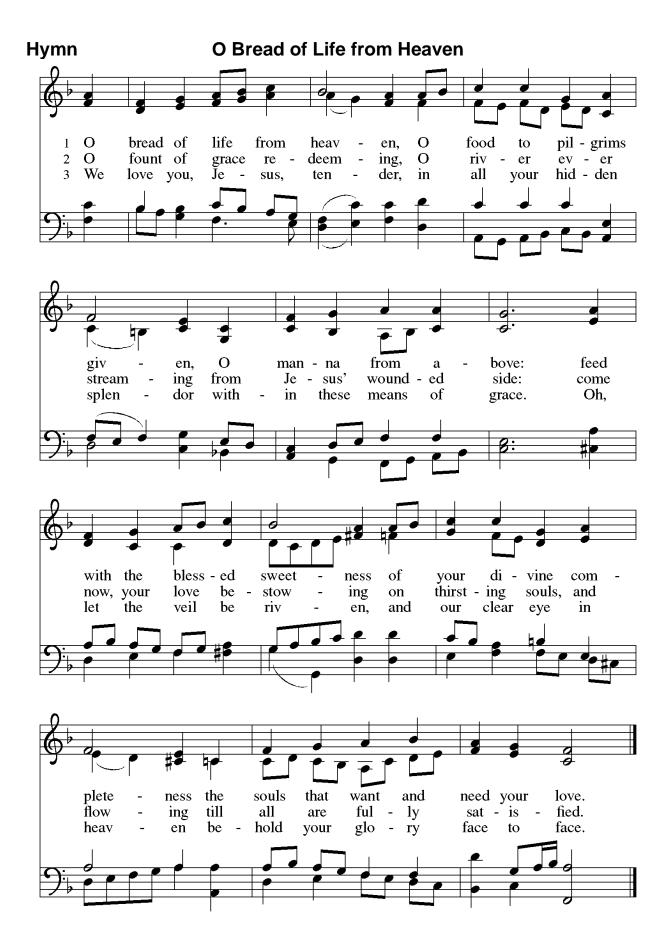


Sharing the Meal

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal. So do we.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

You may come forward to receive the elements, or remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door.



Text: Latin hymn, c. 1661; tr. Hugh T. Henry, 1862–1946, sts. 1, 3; tr. Philip Schaff, 1819–1893, st. 2 Music: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN, Heinrich Isaac, 1450–1517; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you, merciful God, for gladness in this bread and cup, for love that cannot die, for peace the world cannot give, for joy in the company of friends, for the splendors of creation, and for the mission of justice you have made our own. Give us the gifts of this holy communion — oneness of heart, love for neighbors, honesty about the harm we have caused and the harm done to us, the will to serve you every day, and life that never ends. In Jesus' name we pray.



WE ARE SENT



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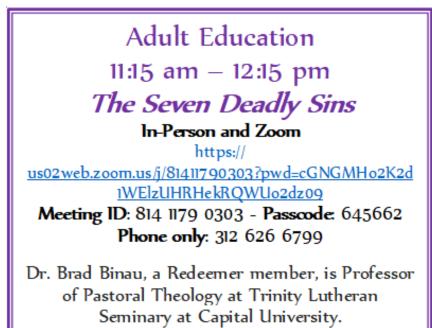
Announcements

Postlude

Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed, arr. Janet Linker

Amen.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday April 14 IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Foot- and Hand-Washing 7:00 pm

Good Friday April 15 IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship 7:00 pm at Christ United Methodist Church

Resurrection of Our Lord Sunday, April 17 IN-PERSON Worship 8:30 am LIVESTREAM and IN-PERSON Worship 11:00 am



LSS Food Pantry First Wednesdays 12:30~3:30 pm

Contact Kathleen Zwanziger to volunteer





OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister David Shull, Pastor **Assisting Minister** Adam Howard Adam Howard Reader Cantor Jennifer Young Skye Andre Crucifer **ASL Interpreter Bryan Neal Organist & Senior Choir Director** Kathy Rapp **Pianist & Chimes Choir Director** Karen Kent Usher Judith Bird Verger Julianne Johnson **Communion Prep** Kay Ernsthausen, Kathleen Zwanziger Tom Mimlitch, Sue Yehling **Producers**

Noisy Offering will go to ReconcilingWorks.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER APRIL 3 – 10

Today	8:45 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:15 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education Senior Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
Wednesday	12:30 pm 7:00 pm	RLC at LSS Food Pantry IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Lenten Evening Prayer
Next Sunday	8:45 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:15 am 11:15 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education Sunday School for All Ages Senior Choir Rehearsal

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