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**April 3 , 2022 – FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**10:30 AM - Holy Communion/ Worship**  
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**Chimes- *Silent prayer to prepare for worship***

**Piano Prelude - “Andante in E minor” - A.P.F. Boely**

**Welcome - Announcements**

**Introduction to Worship**

**Confession and Forgiveness** (Stand if you are able)

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness,  
walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage.

**Amen.**

Holy One,

**we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted  
your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have  
squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in  
our midst.**

**Have mercy on us!**

**Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways,  
assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.**

Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God  
shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers  
you under wings of love. In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God  
journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **Amen.**

**Opening Hymn - ELW # 324 - "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"**

(Stand if you are able)

**Greeting**

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

PEOPLE: **AND ALSO WITH YOU**

**Prayer of the Day**

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace  
waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you  
are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to  
all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

(Please be Seated)

### **First Reading- Isaiah 43: 16-21**

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Lector: **The Word of the Lord.**      PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

### **Psalm 126 (read responsively)**

When the LORD restored for the fortunes of Zion,  
then were we like those who dream.

**<sup>2</sup>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."**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

**<sup>4</sup>Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses of the Negeb.**

<sup>5</sup>Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

**<sup>6</sup>Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come  
again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

### **Second Reading- Philippians 3: 4b-14**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have

suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Lector: **The Word of the Lord**

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand)**

**ELW# 186 - "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"**

Pastor: **The holy gospel according to John:**

PEOPLE: **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

### **The Holy Gospel - John 12: 1-8**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Pastor: **The gospel of the Lord.**

PEOPLE: **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

(Be seated after the gospel)

**Message/ Sermon** - Rev. James Heckman

**Hymn of the Day - ELW # 754 - "Jesus, the Very Thought of You"**

NICENE' CREED (Please stand , if able)

**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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the  
virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified, who 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.**

**Prayers and Intercessions:**

Pastor: **Hear us, O God.**

People: **YOUR MERCY IS GREAT.**

**Sharing of the Peace**

**Offertory Prayer (said by Pastor)**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Pastor: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Pastor: **Lift up your hearts.**

People: **WE LIFT THEM TO THE**

**LORD.**

Pastor: **Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

People: **IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.**

**Jesus' Words of Institution (said by Pastor)**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Invitation to Communion**

Pastor: **All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.**

(At this time, remove the seal at the bottom of the small chalice, remove the small piece of bread. Hold it in your hand)

P: **This is the body of Christ given for you. Take and eat.** (Eat the bread)

(At this time, remove the seal above the small chalice. Hold the chalice in your hand.)

P: **This is the blood of Christ, shed for you. Take and drink.**

(Drink the wine or grape juice. Set down the small chalice for prayer.)

P: (Communion Blessing) **The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. AMEN.**

**Prayer after Communion (said by Pastor)**

**Blessing (Pastor) :** You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn- ELW # 338 - " Beneath the Cross of Jesus "**

(Stand if you are able)

**Dismissal:**

Pastor: Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**Postlude - "Mit Fried and Freud ich dahr fahin" - J.S. Bach**

### Helping in Worship

|                         |                                |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Preacher                | - Rev. James Heckman           |
| Organist/Choir Director | - Carolyn Williams             |
| Acolyte                 | - Samantha Mueller             |
| Altar Guild             | - Barb Naska and Becky Praster |
| Lector                  | - Becky Praster                |
| Usher                   | - Joe Hlavaty                  |
| Council Counting Team   | - Kathy Hlavaty and Scott Gaun |
| Technology              | - Ken Anderson                 |
| Office Secretary        | - Jessica Mette                |
| Custodian               | - Dianna Streletz              |

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- TODAY, Sunday, April 3rd- Fifth Sunday in Lent/ Holy Communion with Rev. James Heckman
- Next Sunday, April 10th - Palm Sunday with Rev. James Heckman
- The Adult Bible study meets from 2:00-4:00 at the home of Don Seipt and Kathy Hlavaty on Thursdays. Carpooling from the church is available.
- APRIL BIRTHDAYS- APRIL 7<sup>th</sup> - Becky Praster
- APRIL BAPTISMS - APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup> - Rachel (Crouse) and Sam Rhine; APRIL 4<sup>th</sup> - Dave Helfrich; APRIL 6<sup>th</sup> - Chris Fox and Ben J. Naska; APRIL 8<sup>th</sup> - Samantha Mueller; APRIL 9<sup>th</sup> - Diane De Walt; APRIL 10<sup>th</sup> - Becca Anderson
- APRIL "OUTREACH OFFERINGS" will go to support Care-a-lot

**Please lift the following up in prayer: ...**

**For Healing of those in our Congregation:** Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Norma Fox; Virginia Hager; Betty and George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Steven Streletz; Carolyn Williams and Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

**For Healing of Friends and Family:** Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Michael Barats; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Emma Brown; Deb Carmichael; Alice Cicatiello ; Bill Corrigan; Lisa & Dave DeLorenzo; Chris Fear; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gerry Foran; Debbie Gardner. Ken Garey; Candie Gimbar; George & Lois James; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Chelsea Marley; Jim McAnally; Sue Odor; Lucia Otero; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Alex Sempt; Debbie Schultz; Ron Steele; Jesse Stimell; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; and Linda Wilson.

**For those who are Homebound:** Cleo & Ken Eck; Phyllis Lanshe; Jayne Miller; Silas Rodenbach; and Hal Taylor.

**For the grieving:** Bobby Starling

**For those in Health Care:** Sara Aquino; Debbie Angstadt; Kendell Beerer; Mary Crouse; Sara Deal Den Herder; Mary Erceg; Faye Gadwell; Morgan Litz; Tanya Naska; Kristi Lee Reiman; and Sharon Streletz.