

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 22, 2026

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite I



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Services: Sunday at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

**Our Sunday 10:00 AM service is livestreamed**

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## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

**Restrooms:** Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

**We have gluten-free wafers available:** Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

**Standing, sitting, and kneeling:** Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

**A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.**

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.



Virtual Worship Bulletins

# GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please remain seated.*

## THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins;

*People* **His mercy endureth for ever.**

## THE DECALOGUE

*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

*Celebrant* God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Honor thy father and thy mother.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Thou shalt do no murder.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Thou shalt not commit adultery.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Thou shalt not steal.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*Celebrant* Thou shalt not covet.

*People* **Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

*Celebrant* If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8,9)

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Please kneel or stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. [*Silence is kept.*]  
Most merciful God,

*People* **We confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

*People* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One.

*All* **Have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One.

*All* **Have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One.

*All* **Have mercy upon us.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy Spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray... Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

# THE WORD OF GOD

*Please be seated.*

## THE FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37:1-14

*Lector*        *The First Reading is taken from Ezekiel chapter 37...*

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 130

*Lector*        *We will read responsively from Psalm 130...*

*Lector*        Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice;  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

*People*        **If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?**

*Lector*        For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.

*People*        **I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.**

*Lector*        My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning,  
more than watchmen for the morning.

*People*        **O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy;**

*Lector*        With him there is plenteous redemption,  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

## THE SECOND READING

Romans 8:6-11

*Lector*        *The Second Reading is taken from Romans chapter 8....*

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For 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, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But 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. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If 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.

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

**THE GOSPEL**        *Please stand as you are able.*

John 11:1-45

*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People*        **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

*The Celebrant will read the Gospel.*

*Celebrant*      The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Whitney Burton

**NICENE CREED**        *Please stand as you are able.*

*People*        **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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray, remembering that our penitence is never disconnected from our gratitude, and that in our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we create a space for the abundant presence of God, responding to the cry of prayer with “Kyrie eleison.”

*Lector* For the church, that it may welcome those with heavy hearts, offer the prayers of thanksgiving that become our daily bread, forgive all those who enter, and repent of its own injustices, we pray:

*People* **Kyrie eleison.**

*Lector* For all those in authority and all the nations of the world, that our lust for power may be left at the foot of the cross, rendering our own plans as ash in light of the abundant God who showers joy and thanksgiving on all of creation, we pray:

*People* **Kyrie eleison.**

*Lector* For the good of the whole world, for the flourishing of those in need, for the wealthy to give away more and live with less, for generosity of love to be present in all of God’s people, that the whole world would turn toward gratitude and away from scarcity, we pray:

*People* **Kyrie eleison.**

*Lector* For those around us, that in this season of dying to ourselves, we might also die to one another, loving those around us more fervently, loving friend and stranger out of the heart of thanksgiving we find in our confession, we pray:

*People* **Kyrie eleison.**

*Lector* For all suffering, for humankind and all of creation, for illness, for the sin-sickness from which only God can give us rest, and for those on our prayer list and those we name aloud or in our hearts (*pause*) that we may be called during this season of devotion into caring for the suffering around us and inside of ourselves, with gratitude that God is with us in all of it, we pray:

*People* **Kyrie eleison.**

*Lector* For all who have died in hope of the resurrection, and those we name aloud or in our hearts (*pause*) who join with us as we wait for resurrection this season, and for all the saints who have modeled perseverance for us as we become pilgrims in the wilderness, journeying toward the cross with gratitude as the light for our path, we pray:

*People* **Kyrie eleison.**

*Lector* For the reminder of your steadfastness that we receive when we are thankful, when we survey the riches of your grace, when we give thanks especially for the birthdays this coming week of Barbara Darrow, Susan Fowler, and Kenneth Tomlinson, and when we count the blessings we now name, either aloud or in the silence of our hearts.... *(pause)* In our gratitude, we pray:

*People* **Kyrie eleison.**

*Celebrant* God of all mercy, we thank you that you hear our cries for forgiveness, for abundant life, for comfort in death, for resurrection into eternal life. May we bless the Lord, not forgetting all his benefits, his forgiveness of our iniquities, his healing all our diseases, the God who redeems us from the pit, who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies us with good. Send us, we pray, into the world to love others out of gratitude for God's love for us, that we may follow in Christ's commandment to love God and love one another.

*People* **Amen.**

## **THE GREETING OF PEACE**

*Please stand as able.*

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

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

*Please be seated.*

### **THE PRESENTATION**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Celebrant* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

*Celebrant says a proper preface.*

*People* **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel or stand, as you choose.*

*Celebrant* All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People* **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*People* **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.**

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

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

*All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.*

*If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

## **COMMUNION**

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Brenda Portman

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

*Please stand as able.*

*Celebrant announces the blessing.*

*People* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Thanks be to God!**

## **VOLUNTARY**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

arr. Walter Pelz

## **SERVING US TODAY**

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Organist	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Chalicer	Rhiannon Sharpe
Lector	Cheryl Sharpe
Prayers of the People	Rhiannon Sharpe
Ushers	Mary and Bill Lasko



## **PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR**

Jeanne E, James C, Maryanne W, Pam, Pat C, Cathy and Dan C, Kayden and Kaylee, Linda R, Bob S, the people of Ukraine, Dana R, Tracy O, Jay O, Jay H, Gloria and Dan S, Carol C, Tony B, Lynne H, Butch N, Mary Ann W, Maureen B, Helen Marie, Bonnie S, Bill G, Priscilla B, Indra E, Mark and Maryellen, and Kam M.



## **CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK**

**Birthdays** – Barbara Darrow, Susan Fowler, and Kenneth Tomlinson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Will You?: A Lenten Study of Baptismal Promises** – Join Rev. Whitney and Cindy Huffman for a Lenten Study on the Baptismal Covenant. We are using Amanda Perkins McGriff's book *Will You?: A Lenten Study of Baptismal Promises* as a guide as we dive into this timely topic. Thursdays in Lent at 11:30 AM.

**Easter Flowers & Music** – Donations are now being accepted toward music and flowers for our Easter services. To donate, please either fill out an envelope located in the church or complete the online form. Please clearly print if your donation is given in memory or in honor of loved ones. The deadline for receiving reservations and monetary donations in the church office or collection plate is today, Sunday, March 22nd, 2026. A minimum donation of \$25 is requested.

**The Legacy Continues** – If you ordered a book and have not picked it up you may do so from the church office. Books are still available for \$40.00.

**Episcopal Relief & Development** – During Lent we will be collecting offerings for Episcopal Relief & Development until Good Friday, April 3rd. Checks may be marked ERD in the memo section. You may also give online or by mail.

**Holy Week Services** – \* *Livestreamed services*

Sunday, March 29, Palm Sunday, 8 AM and 10 AM\*

Wednesday, April 1, Holy Wednesday, No Wednesday night worship service

Thu, April 2, Maundy Thursday, 6:30 PM\*, service including foot washing, stripping of altar

The Gethsemane Watch 8 PM – 8 AM, prayer vigil

Fri, April 3, Good Friday, 12 noon traditional worship,

6:30 PM\* Tenebrae Service

Sat, April 4, Easter Vigil, 6:30 PM service followed by celebratory reception

Sun, April 5, Easter Sunday, 8 AM and 10 AM\* services,

Easter egg hunt at 11:30 AM on the playground

### Regular Events

**Wednesday Bible Study** meets at 1:30 PM in the lounge.

**Youth Group** meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 11:30 AM in the Youth Room.

**Soul Sisters** meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10 AM in Kirk Hall.

**Dunedin Cares** collection is sent every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday.

**Cursillio** meetings are 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays following both services in the Patio Room.

**Daughters of the King** meet each 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 11:30 AM except in April, we will meet on April 19<sup>th</sup>.