

# *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*



Sunday, March 22, 2026  
10:30 A.M. Eucharist, Rite Two

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# THE WORD OF GOD

## OPENING SONG - Everlasting God

*Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.  
Wait upon the Lord,  
we will wait upon the Lord.  
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.  
Wait upon the Lord,  
we will wait upon the Lord.*

*You are the everlasting God.  
The everlasting God.  
You do not faint, you won't grow weary.  
You're the defender of the weak,  
You comfort those in need.  
You lift us up on wings like eagles.*

*Our God, you reign forever.  
Our hope, our strong deliverer.*

## WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

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

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 who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8-9

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*The people may kneel or stand.*)

*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.*

## ABSOLUTION

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.**

CHILDREN AGES 5 THRU 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MAY FOLLOW THE CROSS TO CHILDREN'S CHAPEL DURING THE KYRIE ELEISON

## KYRIE ELEISON

1. *Lord have mercy - Christ have mercy  
Hear our cry and heal our land  
Let kindness lead us to repentance  
Bring us back again*

2. *Who is this God who pardons all our sin  
So ready to forgive  
You delight to show your mercy*

CHORUS:

*For Your name is great and your heart is grace  
Kyrie Eleison  
Over all you reign you alone can save  
Kyrie Eleison*

*Lord have mercy  
Christ have mercy on us now*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

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. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### **A READING FROM THE PROPHET EZEKIEL**

**Ezekiel 37:1-14**

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, "Prophesy 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, "Prophesy 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.

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

## **PSALM 130**

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS**

**Romans 8:6-11**

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.

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

**SEQUENCE SONG - 10,000 Reasons**

- 1. The sun comes up it's a new day dawning;  
It's time to sing your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.**
- 2. You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and your heart is kind.  
For all your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find**
- 3. And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come;  
Still my soul will sing your praise unending:  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!**

**CHORUS:**  
**Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
O my soul,  
Worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before,  
O my soul.  
I'll worship your holy name.**

**ENDING:**  
**Yes, I will worship your holy name.  
Lord, I'll worship your holy name.**

**THE GOSPEL**

**John 11:1-45**

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

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the

resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When 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.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The 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. When 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.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus 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.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I 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.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The 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.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**SERMON - Fr. Ralph**

**SERMON RESPONSE - Just a Closer Walk With Thee**

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| <p><b>1. I am weak, but thou art strong</b><br/><i>Jesus, keep me from all wrong.</i><br/><i>I'll be satisfied as long</i><br/><i>As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.</i></p> | <p><b>2. Through this world of toils and snares,</b><br/><i>If I falter, Lord, who cares?</i><br/><i>Who with me my burden shares?</i><br/><i>None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.</i></p> |
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**CHORUS:**

*Just a closer walk with Thee*  
*Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,*  
*Daily walking close to thee,*  
*Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

- 3. When my feeble life is o'er,**  
*Time for me will be no more;*  
*Guide me gently, safely o'er*  
*To Thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.*

**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.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Form I, BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishops: Andy, Jeff, Kai, Héctor, and Brian, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this city and county, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially \_\_\_\_\_, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, by your grace.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially \_\_\_\_\_ and those we name now, either silently or aloud.

*(Silence)*

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

**To thee, O Lord our God.**

*Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

## **THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY - Blessed Assurance

1. *Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.*
2. *Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight  
Angels descending bring from above,  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.*

### CHORUS:

*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.*

## THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Standing as you are able.*)

Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP 367

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 him thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*Priest adds a proper preface*)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

***We fall down***

***We lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus***

***The greatness of your mercy and love***

***At the feet of Jesus***

***We cry, Holy, Holy, Holy***

***We cry, Holy, Holy, Holy***

***We cry, Holy, Holy, Holy***

***Is the lamb***

*(The people may kneel or stand.)*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

***We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

***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, and the power, and the glory  
Are Yours now and forever. Amen.***

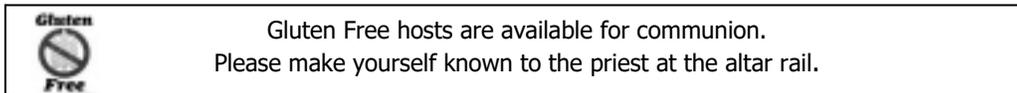
*Canterbury Version*

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD** (*Remember to omit the A word*)

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast.**

These are the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



**COMMUNION SONG 1 - Breath of God**

*Breathe on me, breath of God  
My spirit yearns for you  
Hide me in your fathering arms  
Fill up my longing soul.*

*Breathe on me, breath of God  
Burn bright eternal fire  
Father, draw me near to your heart  
You are my one desire.*

**CHORUS:**

*Flood over me like a river, my God  
Immerse me in your living stream  
Awaken the song that you've placed in my heart  
Spirit, breathe on me  
Spirit, breathe on me.*

**COMMUNION SONG 2 - Amazing Grace**

*1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.*

*2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!*

*4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.*

*5. When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** (these words may differ from time to time)

**CLOSING SONG - Step by Step**

*O God, you are my God  
and I will ever praise you.  
O God, you are my God  
and I will ever praise you.*

*I will seek You in the morning.  
I will learn to walk in Your ways.  
And step by step You'll lead me  
and I will follow You all of my days.*

**THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. (Remember to omit the A word)  
**Thanks be to God.**

**CALVARY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES**  
8:00 AM Sunday – Traditional Service  
10:30 AM Sunday – Contemporary Service

**HOLY WEEK SERVICE TIMES**

<b>MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY SERVICES—8AM AND 10:30AM</b>
<b>APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup></b>	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE 7PM, PRAYER VIGIL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING</b>
<b>APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup></b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES—12:00PM, STATIONS OF THE CROSS – 1PM</b>
<b>APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>EASTER SERVICES— 8AM AND 10:30AM</b>

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