

Our Savior Lutheran Church  
Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 29, 2020

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,  
and of the † Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation...Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

Let us pray.

In the mercy of almighty God...in the name of the Father, and of  
the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Vs 1,3

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

***Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!**

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Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

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INTROIT: Psalm 116:15

Precious in the sight of the LORD  
**is the death of his faithful ones.**

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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God...one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Our first reading comes from the book of Ezekiel the 37<sup>th</sup> chapter and it reads.

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon 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." <sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded.

And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. <sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.'

<sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Return to the Lord, your God,  
For he is gracious and merciful,  
Slow to anger,  
And abounding in steadfast love.**

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GOSPEL: John 11:17-27

The holy gospel according to St. John the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. <sup>20</sup>When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup>She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” Green # 389 vs 1,3

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus,  
as soldiers of the cross,  
lift high his royal banner;  
it must not suffer loss.  
From vict'ry unto vict'ry  
his army he shall lead,  
till ev'ry foe is vanquished**

**and Christ is Lord indeed.**

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus,  
stand in his strength alone;  
the arm of flesh will fail you,  
you dare not trust your own.  
Put on the gospel armor;  
each piece put on with prayer.  
Where duty calls or danger,  
be never wanting there.**

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## APOSTLES' CREED

We will now confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.\*  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us lift our hearts and voices to the Lord in prayer, that he would be merciful to his people.

....Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, gracious Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting  
In your mercy; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

SENDING SONG

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!” Green #328 vs 1,4

**All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!**

**Let angels prostrate fall;**

**bring forth the royal diadem**

**and crown him Lord of all.**

**Bring forth the royal diadem**

**and crown him Lord of all.**

**Hail him, you heirs of David's line,**

**whom David Lord did call--**

**the God Incarnate, man divine--**

**and crown him Lord of all.**

**The God Incarnate, man divine--  
and crown him Lord of all.**

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As a community of believers,

**We will grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ, and share God's love,  
Through worship, learning, fellowship, and service.**

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace. Remember the poor.

**Thanks be to God**

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