

# **Fifth Sunday in Lent**

## **Holy Communion at Resurrection Lutheran Church**

### **April 3, 2022**

*The assembly gathers in seating in the nave, maintaining appropriate physical distance and wearing face masks.*

**OPENING VOLUNTARY:** “Rockingham,” Rosalie Bonnighon

### ***Confession and Forgiveness***

In the name of God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
who makes a way in the wilderness,  
walks with us,  
and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

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.

Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, ✝ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN:** “In the Cross of Christ I Glory” (ELW 324)

## In the Cross of Christ I Glory

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow'r - ing  
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -  
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and  
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of  
 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the  
 love up - on my way, from the cross the  
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that

sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
 cross for - sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
 ra - diance stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.  
 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792-1872  
 Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815-1867

*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.**

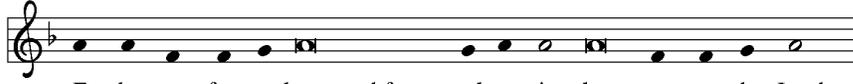
*Kyrie, ELW Setting Five*



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



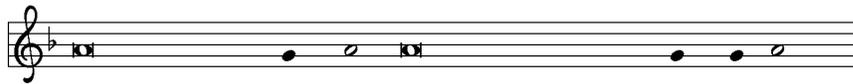
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

## *Prayer of the Day*

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

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.**

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

A reading from Isaiah:

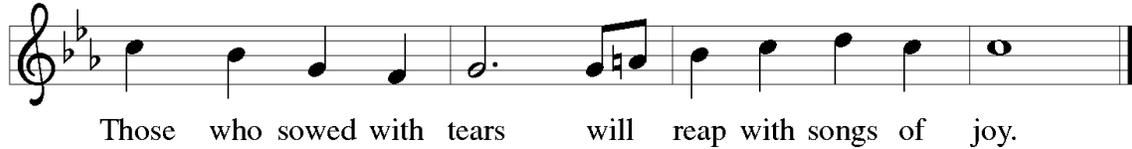
<sup>16</sup>Thus says the LORD,  
    who makes a way in the sea,  
    a path in the mighty waters,  
<sup>17</sup>who brings out chariot and horse,  
    army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
    they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
<sup>18</sup>Do not remember the former things,  
    or consider the things of old.  
<sup>19</sup>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.  
<sup>20</sup>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,  
    <sup>21</sup>the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 126

### Refrain



Psalm 126:5  
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### Tone



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<sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the for- | tunes 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 for- | tunes, O LORD,  
like the watercourses | of the Negeb. R**

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

<sup>6</sup>**Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,  
will come again with joy, should- | ing their sheaves. R**

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

A reading from Philippians:

[Paul writes:] <sup>4b</sup>If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>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; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

<sup>7</sup>Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup>More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord for whose sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### ***Gospel Acclamation***

***Verse sung by cantor, with assembly singing the response.***





Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what<sup>1</sup> lies ahead,\* I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God<sup>1</sup> in Christ Jesus.

***Gospel: John 12:1-8***

The Holy Gospel according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup>There they gave a dinner for Jesus. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, <sup>5</sup>"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" <sup>6</sup>(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.) <sup>7</sup>Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup>You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

***Sermon***

***Hymn of the Day: "Holy God, Holy and Glorious" (ELW 637)***

## Holy God, Holy and Glorious



1 Ho - ly God, ho - ly and glo - ri - ous,  
 2 Ho - ly God, ho - ly and pow - er - ful,  
 3 Ho - ly God, ho - ly and beau - ti - ful,  
 4 Ho - ly God, ho - ly and on - ly wise,  
 5 Ho - ly God, ho - ly and liv - ing one,



glo - ry most sub - lime, you come as one a - mong us  
 pow - er with - out peer, you bend to us in weak - ness;  
 beau - ty un - sur - passed, you are de - spised, re - ject - ed;  
 wis - dom of great price, you choose the way of fol - ly;  
 life that nev - er ends, you show your love by dy - ing,



in - to hu - man time, and we be - hold your glo - ry.  
 emp - tied, you draw near, and we be - hold your pow - er.  
 scorned, you hold us fast, and we be - hold your beau - ty.  
 God the cru - ci - fied, and we be - hold your wis - dom.  
 dy - ing for your friends, and we be - hold you liv - ing.

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952

Music: NELSON, Robert Buckley Farlee, b. 1950

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## *Apostles Creed*

Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith:

**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.**

## *Prayers of Intercession*

On this fifth Sunday in Lent, let us pray for all on who are in need, responding to each petition with the words "have mercy on us."

O God, we lament that the world sees religious conflicts. And we pray: Bring peace to all the baptized. Guide congregations in their decisions concerning the use of contributions. Bless the Orthodox churches as they face the questions of national identity, and bless the Muslim people during their month of Ramadan. O faithful God, in your steadfast love,  
**have mercy on us.**

We lament that we have misused your creation and have worsened the poverty of others. And we pray: Continue your care for the earth you have made. Grant weather that prepares the soil for seeds, and shelter all lands from drought, violent storms, and flooding. O almighty God, in your steadfast love,  
**have mercy on us.**

We lament that our nation has not insured justice and equal access to freedoms for all, and we lament the warfare that is bringing about much suffering and death. And we pray: Bring an end to warfare and terrorism. Bless peacemakers, and guide citizens throughout the world to shape communities that reflect your mercy, justice, and peace. O righteous God, in your steadfast love,  
**have mercy on us.**

We lament the hopelessness that afflicts so many people. And we pray: Instill in us gratitude for your presence among humankind. Accompany especially the youth who are facing questions of gender and sexuality. O compassionate God, in your steadfast love,  
**have mercy on us.**

We lament the sufferings of people the world over, especially the sorrows of the war, of illness, hunger, homelessness, and loneliness. And we pray: End this pandemic. Guide us in healing the sick, welcoming refugees, feeding the hungry, and living with others in harmony. We pray especially for . . . .

1. Mark Basset
2. Irene Klotz
3. Rosa Maria Piai
4. Lee Hanson
5. Ray Perez
6. Roy Guenther
7. Mary Ann Glover
8. Teri Torres
9. Edna Frady
10. Jane Coonce
11. Janet Lewis
12. Krista Kurth
13. Evon Lippencot
14. Nancy MacDonald
15. Bob MacDonald
16. Grant Aldonas
17. Norm Olsen
18. Judy Frank
19. Barb Jensen
20. Charlotte Boeck
21. Lynn Kiewel
22. Phillip Swingler
23. Maria Liwski

- 24. Tucker Dean
- 25. Irene Belcher
- 26. Sharon Kravetz
- 27. John and Anneliese Arnold
- 28. Julie Bates

O benevolent God, in your steadfast love,  
**have mercy on us.**

We lament our secret sorrows known only to you, and we ask you to receive the prayers of our hearts.

*Keep a period of silence.*

O mothering God, in your steadfast love,  
**have mercy on us.**

We lament the countless killed by warfare and Covid. And we praise you for the baptized whose lives have modeled faithfulness to the cross. At the end, bring us with all who have died in Christ into your everlasting presence. O everlasting God, in your steadfast love,  
**have mercy on us.**

Into your hands, merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting that you can make all things new, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Peace*

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

*The assembly greets each other with Christ's Peace by bowing to each other, waving, or offering another appropriate gesture. For continued safety, please refrain from handshakes and hugs.*

**Choir Anthem:** "I Will Bow," Frederick Chatfield

*Offering and Setting the Table*

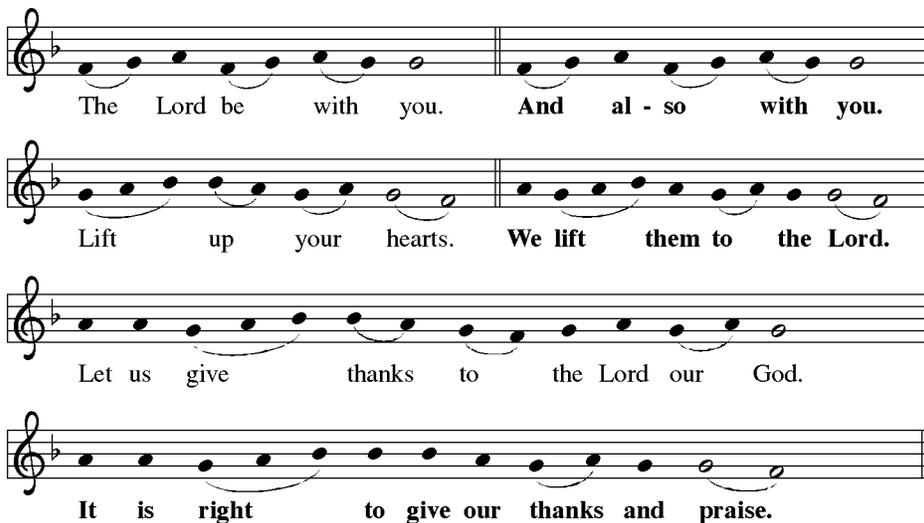
*While the table is set for Holy Communion, members of the assembly may prepare to bring their offering forward when ushers invite them to come to the chancel where baskets are available to receive your gift. Communion ministers will sanitize and cleanse their hands prior to handling the gifts of bread and wine.*

### ***Offering Prayer***

Let us pray.

Extravagant God,  
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.  
Now we gather at your feast  
where you offer us the food that satisfies.  
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,  
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,  
in whose name we pray.  
**Amen.**

### ***Dialogue and Preface***



The Lord be with you. **And** al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. **We lift** them to the Lord.

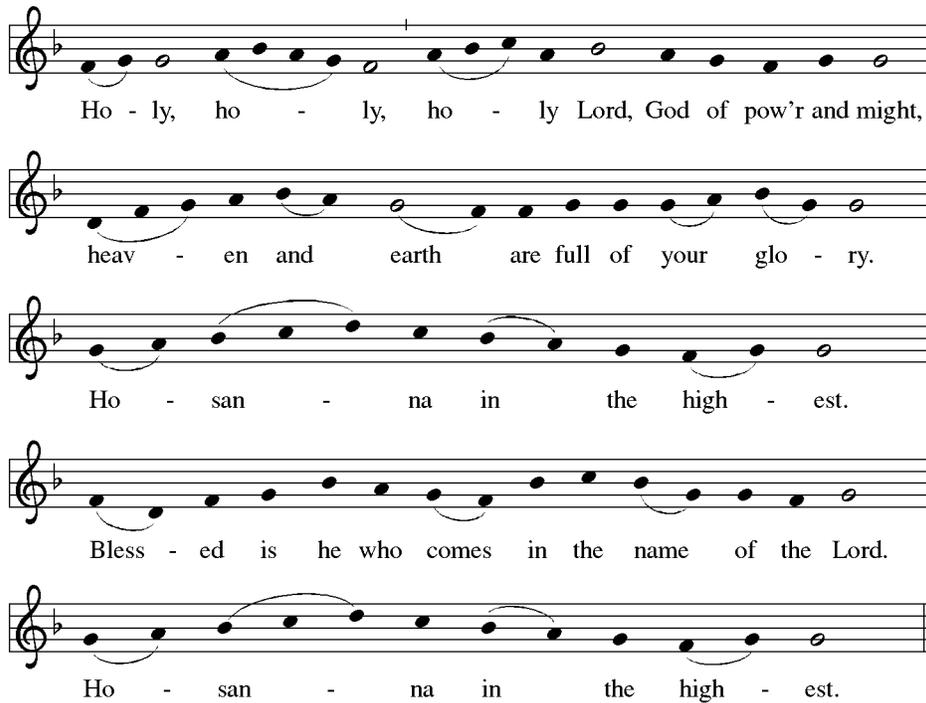
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right** to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,  
al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.  
You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the  
pas - chal feast, that re - newed in the gift of bap - tism,  
we may come to the full - ness of your grace.  
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,  
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

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## *Holy, Holy, Holy* ELW Setting Five



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## *Thanksgiving at the Table*

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.  
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.  
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.  
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.  
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.  
Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## *Lord's Prayer*



Lord, remember us in your king - dom, and teach us to pray.



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,



your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we



for-give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al



and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,



and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

## *Breaking of Bread and Invitation to Communion*

Here is food and drink for the journey.

Take and be filled.

*At the direction of ushers, baptized and communing members of the assembly wishing to commune will proceed to the front of the nave in a continuous line, maintaining appropriate physical distance. Others may also come forward for a blessing. To receive the bread, place your hands palms up and level so that the presiding minister is able to drop the bread onto your uplifted hands without touching you. Using a receptacle, such as a small juice glass which you have brought from home, hold it firmly that the assisting minister is able to pour wine from the common cup into your individual glass. For health safety reasons, you may **not** dip the bread into the wine in the chalice. You may also elect to commune by receiving the bread only. You may, of course, remove your mask to commune. Gluten free hosts are available to those who need that option. Once you have received the bread and wine, return to your places by the side aisles, while maintaining appropriate physical distance from your neighbors.*

### **Lamb of God: ELW Setting Five**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy  
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

### **MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

*Prayer after Communion*

Let us pray.

Blessed Jesus,  
in this rich meal of grace,  
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.  
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope  
to a world in need.

**Amen.**

*Blessing*

You are children of God,  
anointed with the oil of gladness  
and strengthened for the journey.  
Almighty God,  
motherly, majestic, and mighty,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you this day and always.

**Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN: “Christ is the Life” (ACS 927)***

## Christ Is the Life



1 Christ is the life of all that is, God's pure cre - a - tive  
 2 Christ is the death of all that is; a broad and beck - 'ning  
 3 Christ is the death of all that is, a bright, con - sum - ing  
 4 Christ is the life of all that is, Be - gin - ning and the



Word, whose pow'r be - yond and through all space the  
 tomb, who wel - comes us from well - worn ways to  
 fire, whose flames re - quire our pri - or self as  
 End; cre - a - tive force, most peace - ful death, trans -



worlds to Be - ing stirred. Christ is the life be - yond all  
 dark - ness of the womb. Christ is the death, the sink - ing  
 kin - dling for the pyre. Christ is the death of dust - y  
 form - ing burn - ing brand. Christ is the life, in whose wise



time, cre - a - tion's birth and breath, whose la - bor  
 down past all de - sire and fear, whose prom - ise  
 days of un - cre - a - tive strife, for out from  
 love cre - a - tion lives and dies and thus for -



brings all things to be and brings all things to death.  
 in the gen - tle dark bids new - ness to ap - pear.  
 fire we tread up - on the thresh - old of new life.  
 ev - er - more shall bless the Source, the liv - ing Christ.

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*Dismissal*

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.  
**Thanks be to God.**

***CLOSING VOLUNTARY:*** Finale: Andante from Sonata #6 in D minor,  
F. Mendelssohn

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