

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 2nd, 2017, 10:00 a.m.



Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

What is Lent? VERY simply Lent is a season set aside when we try to grow closer to God by simple living, prayer and fasting. Lent is an invitation to “repent” – to re-focus our lives to be more in tune with Jesus, to love and give up un-loving ways. Lent is the 40 days before Easter excluding Sundays. Why the color purple? Purple symbolizes “repentance”.

The Word of God

Prelude: Herzlich tut mich verlangen, BWV 727

J.S. Bach

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Opening Hymn

Hail, Thou Once-Despised Jesus

Hymn #495

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

All His mercy endures for ever.

Celebrant Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship, and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please stand or kneel as able, and join in saying,

All 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.

The Absolution

† Celebrant 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.**

Please STAND as able, and join in singing

The Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

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. **Amen.**

Celebrant: The Rev. Peter Huang
Deacon/Preacher: The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Ezekiel 37:1-14

1st Reader A Reading from the Book of the prophet Ezekiel.

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, prophecy, 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 prophecy, 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.

1st Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Anglican chant is a treasured tradition in the Episcopal Church, and we will be using it through the season of Lent.

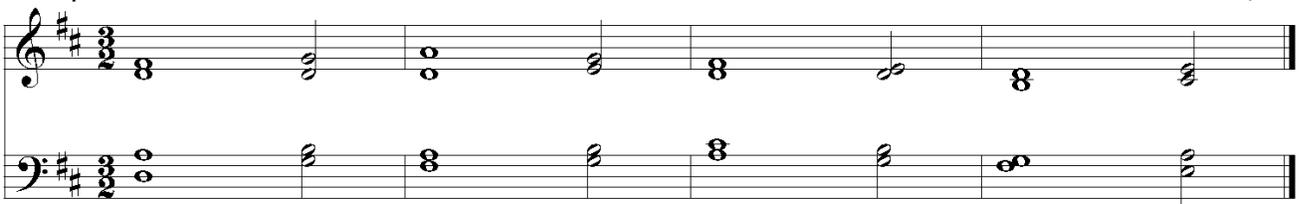
We sing the words of the Psalm on one note until the accent (á), which indicates to move to the next note.

Remaining seated, please sing (or read silently) along.

The Response

Psalm 130

Hal Hopson



Out of the depths I call to yóu, Lord, hear my voice and heed my práyer;
Look with compassion on my pléa, weigh my petition, Lord, with cáre.

For if you note each sinful déed, Lord, who could stand when you appéared?
But with you is forgiveness fóund and therefore, Lord, you shall be féared.

More certainly than watchmen wáit to see the daylight first appéar
Does my soul wait upon the Lórd; I wait in trust and holy féar.

O Israel, wait upon the Lórd; Mercy is always found with hím,
And freedom, too, abounds in Gód who frees his people from their sín.

The Second Lesson Romans 8:6-11

2nd Reader A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

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.

2nd Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able, and join in singing,
The Gospel Procession

Earthen Vessels

Joseph Foley, SJ

The musical score is written on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "We hold a treasure not made of gold, in earth-en ves-sels, wealth un - told. One treasure on - ly, the Lord, the Christ, in earth-en ves - sels." The score includes a measure rest at the beginning of the second line and a final double bar line.

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The Holy Gospel John 11:1-45

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

People **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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please join in singing 'Earthen Vessels' as the procession returns.

We pray for the afflicted, the helpless and the homeless, the unemployed and the underemployed. Bless and heal all in need, especially Andrea, Lynne, Ceri Falk, Rob and Pam Fitting, Mama Hill, Elizabeth Hodgson, Chong-Kyun Kim, Marjorie Morris, James and Reiko, Jerry Rosenthal, Anne Shepherd, Steve Smith, Chris Snapp, and Hayward and Phyllis Thomas, and all those we name to you now... *{please add your own prayers either silently or aloud}*, and empower us to engage your healing love. God of mercy, **make us new.**

We pray for those we love but see no longer. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life. We remember before you this day all who have died, especially Margaret Smith, and those we name to you now... *{please add your own prayers either silently or aloud}*. God of mercy, **make us new.**

Silence

Celebrant God of our Lenten journey, renew us, transform us and lead us to any who need us. Help us appreciate the earthliness and sacredness of being human, for the sake of Jesus, who came that all might have life, and have it abundantly. Stretch us to receive ever more deeply your unrelenting love among us. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand as able for

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Alive In Christ!

Cindy Berry

Lonely people all around us, weary, seeking, in despair, wondering if their life has meaning, looking for someone to care.

Only Jesus is the answer; only he can cleanse, forgive. Jesus paid the sacrifice; he died that we might truly live.

Alive in Christ, new creations, cleansed and forgiven, redeemed and set free, saved by grace through eternity, we are alive in Christ!

Father, now we come to you; cleanse and stir our hearts anew. Fill our lives with truth divine; by your Spirit, let us shine.

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune our hearts to sing your grace.

*Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. **Alive in Christ...***

You make all things new, our eternal God and King.

*We will praise you in your majesty, and forever we will sing, **Alive in Christ...***

We are alive in Christ!

Offertory Hymn

What Wondrous Love

WONDRIOUS LOVE

7 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What won-drous love is this, O my

13 soul! What won-drous love is this, that caused the Lord of bliss to lay a-side his

crown for my soul, for my soul, to lay a-side his crown for my soul.

Please be seated for



The Sermon

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

Please STAND as able, and join in saying,

The Nicene Creed

All 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.

Please stand for,

The Prayers of the People

Gracious God, in this holy season of Lent, remind us that we are spiritual beings in an earthly journey. Inspire us to make choices that lead us into more authentic relationships with you, with ourselves and with others. Receive our prayers as we journey through this season of reflection, growth and change.

We pray for our church. May religious leaders and all your faithful people embrace your work of reconciliation. Lead us to deeper trust in your healing grace. God of mercy, **make us new.**

We pray for our nation. Help us appreciate the land, liberties and heritage we have received. Protect us from discord, confusion, arrogance, and evil. Anoint with wisdom those to whom we entrust the authority of government. God of mercy, **make us new.**

We pray for the world. May we come to live as one human family with compassion for all, with dignity for every human being and to welcome the stranger and refugee. God of mercy, **make us new.**

We pray for our community. Teach us the truth of love and the power of forgiveness. May we lead lives that are peaceful and just, balanced and joyful. God of mercy, **make us new.**

We pray for those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and their families, especially Kelly Hall, Gavin Larson, TJ Malzahn, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman, and Steve. Strengthen and protect them. God of mercy, **make us new.**

God, you prepared your disciples for the coming of the Spirit through the teaching of your Son Jesus Christ: Make the hearts and minds of your confirmands ready to receive the blessing of the Holy Spirit, that they may be filled with the strength of his presence. We pray for youth confirmands: Aidan, Chloe, Cole, Grace, Hannah, Joe, Lauren, Maxwell, Sidney and Sofia; and for adults who will be confirmed, received or reaffirmed in their baptismal vows: Liz and Dick, Donna and Richard, Mark and Doug, Sandra, Michele, Beth, and Billy and Magee. Bless their leaders—Holly, Kristina and Paula+ with a sensitive ear to their particular questions and needs, and may you lovingly guide them as they guide others in their spiritual journeys.

God of mercy, **make us new.**

All stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues. **The People join in reading the text in bold.**

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."**

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of our Mothers Sarah, Rebekah and Rachel, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

† Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

Fraction Anthem

O Lamb of God

ST FLAVIAN

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

O Lamb of God, who takes a - way the sin ___ of the world, Have
mer - cy up - on ___ us, have mer - cy on ___ us. world,
grant ___ us thy peace, Grant us ___ thy ___ peace.

Tune ST FLAVIAN from Day's Psalter, 1562.

The Communion of the People

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Kneeling or standing, each person receives the Bread in the palm of the right hand, eats, and then guides the cup for a sip of the Wine. If you do not wish to receive or are not yet baptized, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. **The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish to be served in your seat. Gluten-free Communion wafers are available. If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.**

If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where someone will be available to pray with you.

Communion Music (*The choir will be sitting in the congregation during the singing of the Communion hymn*)

Please join in singing,

Wait for the Lord

Taizé

Wait for the Lord, whose way is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Wait for the Lord'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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Please kneel or stand as able

The Post Communion Prayer

All God of compassion, through your Son Jesus Christ you have reconciled your people to yourself. As we follow his example of prayer, fasting, and service may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Minister

Celebrant We send you out to share this Holy Communion with our brother/sister _____.

People **May you be guided by the Holy Spirit as you share this sacrament of Christ's presence.**

Celebrant May those who share in this Communion be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant Christ give you grace to grow in holiness this Lent, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God our Creator, of Christ the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Closing Hymn

If Thou but Trust In God to Guide Thee

Hymn #635

The Sending Forth

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude: The Crucifixion

John Stainer

