

## 5th Sunday in Lent

**March 26, 2023**

**Opening Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**

LSB 426

*vs. 2 sung by Choir*

**Divine Service Setting Three**

LSB 184

**Confession and Absolution**

**Introit**

Psalm 116:1–4, 8; antiphon: v. 15



Precious in the sight | of the LORD\*  
is the death | of his saints.

**I love the LORD, because | he has heard\*  
my voice and my pleas for | mercy.**

Because he inclined his | ear to me,\*  
therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.

**The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;\*  
I suffered distress and | anguish.**

Then I called on the name | of the LORD:\*  
"O LORD, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!"

**For you have delivered my | soul from death,\*  
my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling.**



☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

**Kyrie**

LSB 186

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

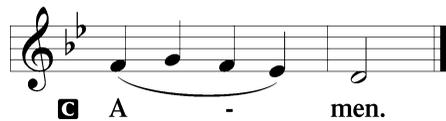
☐ The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

☐ Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 37:1–14

<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, "Prophecy 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, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, 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 clean cut off.' <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophecy, 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."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle Reading

Romans 8:1–11

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup>For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

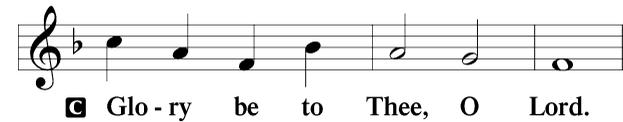
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**C** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel

John 11:1–45

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.



<sup>1</sup>Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

<sup>5</sup>Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup>So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." <sup>11</sup>After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." <sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." <sup>13</sup>Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup>and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup>So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

<sup>17</sup>Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup>So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <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 whatever you ask from God, God will give you." <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. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup>She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

<sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." <sup>29</sup>And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup>When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup>Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. <sup>34</sup>And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be

an odor, for he has been dead four days.”<sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?”<sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me.”<sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me.”<sup>43</sup> When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.”<sup>44</sup> The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

<sup>45</sup> Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**P** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

<b>Sermon Hymn: Jesus Sinners Doth Receive</b>	LSB 609 sts. 1, 5-7
<b>Sermon</b>	
<b>Nicene Creed</b>	
<b>Offertory</b>	LSB 192
<b>Prayer of the Church</b>	
<b>Service of the Sacrament</b>	LSB 194
<b>Preface</b>	
<b>Proper Preface</b>	
<b>Sanctus</b>	LSB 195
<b>Lord's Prayer</b>	LSB 196
<b>The Words of Our Lord</b>	LSB 197
<b>Pax Domini</b>	
<b>Agnus Dei</b>	LSB 198
<b>Distribution Hymns</b>	
<b>Christ, the Life of All the Living</b>	LSB 420
<b>My Song Is Love Unknown</b>	LSB 430
<b>Dismissal</b>	
<b>Nunc Dimittis</b>	LSB 199
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	LSB 200
<b>Salutation &amp; Benedicamus</b>	LSB 201
<b>Benediction</b>	LSB 202
<b>Closing Hymn: Jesus, Refuge of the Weary</b>	LSB 423

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**March 26, 2023 – Fifth Sunday in Lent**

## **Jesus Christ Is the Resurrection and the Life**

The illness and death of Lazarus happened “*that the Son of God may be glorified through it*” (John 11:4). Jesus’ miracle of raising Lazarus prompted His arrest and crucifixion, whereby He would die “*for the nation*” and gather “*into one the children of God who are scattered abroad*” (John 11:51–52). As He called Lazarus from the tomb and commanded others to “*unbind him, and let him go*” (John 11:44), Jesus also calls us and releases us from the bondage of sin and death. We would not “*submit to God’s law,*” nor could we “*please God*” (Rom. 8:7–8), but “*he condemned sin*” in His own flesh so “*that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us*” (Rom. 8:3–4). Now through the Gospel, “*the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells*” in us (Rom. 8:11). His Word breathes His Spirit into our mortal flesh, animating us with His own life. As His ministers preach according to His divine command, the Lord Jesus calls us from the grave into the good land that He gives us (Ezek. 37:12, 14).



**WE WELCOME ALL** who worship today, especially guests and visitors, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Guests are invited to sign our guest register. Please include your phone number and address in the guest book located in the Narthex. Thank you for visiting.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Today’s altar flowers are provided by Doug and Carolyn Westlund in celebration of their 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

<b><u>IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE:</u></b>		<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
03/19/2023	Sunday Service	89	\$4372.00
03/22/2023	Lent 4	23/19	

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** Did you know that we sponsor *The Lutheran Hour* locally? As you are getting ready for church or if you are unable to attend worship, consider tuning in to *The Lutheran Hour*. It can be found on KRLN 1400AM at 8:00am Sunday mornings.



**MISSIONARIES:** Please remember JP and Aimee Cima, the missionaries that our congregation have adopted, asking God to protect them and use them to spread His gospel.

**CONGREGATIONAL SHUT-INS:** Orgene Reimers, Ada Pendarvis, Esther Brunner, and Edie Cook.

**CONGREGATIONAL SERVICE MEMBERS:** Ryan Lehmpuhl

**SITTING AND STANDING IN CHURCH:** It is customary to stand during the worship service when we address God directly (*Confession, Prayers, etc.*) or out of respect (*Gospel Reading, Creed, etc.*). These actions have purpose and meaning; but they are not meant to be painful or difficult. In contrast, Psalm 51:17 says, "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise." If at any time during the service, it is too difficult or painful to stand, please remain seated. Our Lord knows your heart.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Please call Pastor prior to the Sunday service for special prayers.

**NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?** If you or another member who you know needs transportation to church on Sundays, please call Ken Davidson at 719-429-4919.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** *Sick and/or Recovering:*

Carolyn Westlund  
Doris Cunningham  
Don Kirkegaard (Bob's brother)  
Dale Kletke

Took Blanchard  
Rod Willard  
Jim Poehlein (Chuck's brother)  
Rida Knutzen (Valerie Langley's Aunt)

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you have a prayer concern and would like to send it through a prayer chain, we have 2 options.

- To send the prayer through a phone prayer chain, please contact Mary Richardson at 719-269-1426.
- To send the prayer via email, please contact Sue Poehlein at her email address: [cspoehein@gmail.com](mailto:cspoehein@gmail.com).

If you would like to join either prayer chain, please contact Mary or Sue respectively.

If you would like a Christian greeting card from St. John sent to your loved one listed on the above prayer list, please contact Mary Richardson with the address where it should be sent.

## **THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN -- MARCH 26, 2023-APRIL 2, 2023**

Office Hours: Monday through Friday — 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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### **Sunday, March 26, 2023**

9:00 a.m. Divine Worship with Holy Communion  
Reader: Brandon Booth  
Communion Assistants: Brandon Booth, Dave Lehmpuhl, & Doug Westlund  
10:15 a.m. Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

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### **Monday, March 27, 2023**

4:00 p.m. Children's Chorale  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation

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### **Tuesday, March 28, 2023**

★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!

*Pastor Dan Kletke  
Julia Langley*

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### **Wednesday, March 29, 2023**

1:30 p.m. Lent Service  
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper  
7:00 p.m. Lent Service

★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!

*Destynie Larson*

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN -- MARCH 26, 2023-APRIL 2, 2023**

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**Thursday, March 30, 2023**

9:00 a.m. Quilters

**HAPPY  
ANNIVERSARY**

*Doug & Carolyn Westlund*

**★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!**

*Ryan Lehmpuhl*

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**Friday, March 31, 2023**

**★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!**

*Donna Heldt*

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**Saturday, April 1, 2023**

**★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!**

*Gordon Gross*

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**Sunday, April 2, 2023**

9:00 a.m. Divine Worship with Holy Communion  
Reader: Nathan Pegors  
10:15 a.m. Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  
11:30 a.m. Elder's Meeting

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**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please send all announcements for bulletins to [office@StJohnCanonCity.org](mailto:office@StJohnCanonCity.org). Thank You.

**PARISH PAPER:** The April Parish Paper is now available. If you did not receive one in your email inbox, please make sure to pick up a copy in the narthex.

**EASTER LILY PLANTS:** A sign up sheet to provide Easter Lilies is now posted in the narthex. Please sign up if you would like to help beautify the altar for Easter.

**FOOD BANK SUNDAY:** Next Sunday is FOOD BANK Sunday. Please remember to bring a can or two of food for the hungry and needy in our community.

**LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS:** A sign-up sheet is available in the Fellowship Hall to sign up to help with our Soup Suppers. We are in need of soup, bread and dessert each week. Please sign up as you are able to help.

