

## Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

10:30 am

### AS WE GATHER

Today's Epistle speaks of Jesus, our High Priest. High priests are called to offer sacrifices for the sins of the people as well as themselves. Jesus is a different sort of high priest who offers Himself as sacrifice, once for all, that we might be forgiven and granted eternal salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims that He came not to be served, but to serve. He came to offer His life as a ransom for us. As we follow Jesus, we are called to reflect His actions and attitude of service and sacrifice. May we likewise go to serve and sacrifice for others.

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### OPENING SONG

#### Cannons

It's falling from the clouds  
A strange and lovely sound  
I hear it in the thunder and the rain  
It's ringing in the skies  
Like cannons in the night  
The music of the universe plays

(We're singing) You are holy  
great and mighty  
The moon and the stars  
declare who You are  
I'm so unworthy but still You love me  
Forever my heart  
will sing of how great You are

Beautiful and free  
The song of galaxies  
Reaching far beyond the Milky Way  
Let's join in with the sound  
Come on let's sing it out  
As the music of the universe plays

(We're singing) You are holy  
great and mighty  
The moon and the stars  
declare who You are  
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Forever my heart  
will sing of how great You are

All glory honor power is Yours amen  
All glory honor power is Yours amen  
All glory honor power is Yours forever amen

You are holy great and mighty  
The moon and the stars  
declare who You are  
I'm so unworthy but still You love me  
Forever my heart will sing of You

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## INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

### SONG

#### Power To Redeem

You take what is and You make it beautiful  
When love floods in we're restored  
forevermore

With breath that brings the dead to life  
With words that pierce the dark with light  
Only by the blood are we set free  
With mercy strong to carry shame  
And nail it to a tree  
You alone hold the power to redeem

No guilt competes with innocence crucified  
No grave can hold what Your grace has  
justified

With breath that brings the dead to life  
With words that pierce the dark with light  
Only by the blood are we set free  
With mercy strong to carry shame  
And nail it to a tree  
You alone hold the power to redeem

Rejoice O child of God  
Lift your eyes to see  
With ev'ry morning light  
Again we are redeemed

Rejoice O child of God  
Lift your eyes to see  
With ev'ry morning light  
Again we are redeemed

Oh, with breath that brings the dead to life  
With words that pierce the dark with light  
Only by the blood are we set free  
With mercy strong to carry shame  
And nail it to a tree  
You alone hold the power to redeem

Oh You alone hold the power to redeem  
Oh You alone hold the power to redeem

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## SALUTATION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: 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.

People: Amen.

## READINGS

### FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31–34

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

### SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1–10

Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

### HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:35–45

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to [Jesus] and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know

that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

ST. PATRICK'S CREED (from 'The Confession of St. Patrick')

There is no other God, and there never was another, nor will there be any after him except God the Father, without beginning. From him is all beginning. He upholds all things. And his Son Jesus Christ whom together with the Father we testify to have always existed. Before the beginning of the world, he was spiritually present with the Father. Begotten in an indescribable manner before all beginning. By him all things visible and invisible were made. He was made man, and having overcome death was received into heaven to the Father: And the Father has bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and God. In him we believe, and we await his coming who before long shall judge the quick and dead. He will render to everyone according to his deeds and has poured out abundantly on us the gift of the Holy Spirit, even the pledge of immortality, who makes those that believe and obey to be the sons of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ. Him we confess and adore — one God in the Trinity of the sacred name.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON SONG

### Do It Again

Walking around these walls  
I thought by now they'd fall  
But you have never failed me yet  
Waiting for change to come  
Knowing the battle's won  
For you have never failed me yet

Your promise still stands  
Great is your faithfulness  
Faithfulness  
I'm still in your hands  
This is my confidence  
You've never failed me yet

I know the night won't last  
Your word will come to pass  
My heart will sing your praise again

Jesus you're still enough  
Keep me within your love  
My heart will sing your praise again

Your promise still stands  
Great is your faithfulness  
Faithfulness  
I'm still in your hands  
This is my confidence  
You've never failed me yet

I've seen you move  
You move the mountains  
And I believe  
I'll see you do it again  
You made a way  
Where there was no way

And I believe  
I'll see you do it again

I've seen you move  
You move the mountains  
And I believe  
I'll see you do it again  
You made a way  
Where there was no way  
And I believe  
I'll see you do it again

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You move the mountains  
And I believe  
I'll see you do it again  
You made a way

Where there was no way  
And I believe  
I'll see you do it again

Your promise still stands  
Great is your faithfulness  
Faithfulness  
I'm still in your hands  
This is my confidence  
You've never failed me yet

You've never failed me yet  
I never will forget  
You've never failed me yet  
I never will forget

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SERMON

"Served and Serving"  
Mark 10:35-45

Pastor Eric Clausen

OFFERING

LORDS PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Leader: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

## SONG

### Forever be Praised

We lay our lives down here at Your feet  
To the One who's worthy, we give  
everything  
Oh how You love us, how can it be  
No greater mercy, You gave everything

To You be all the glory, to You be all the  
honor  
Forever be praised, forever be praised  
For You alone are worthy and You alone  
are holy  
Forever be praised, forever be praised

We bow in reverence before our King  
The only sovereign, oh what majesty  
We sing Your praises, how could we not  
We're filled with wonder, Lord we stand  
in awe

To You be all the glory, to You be all the  
honor  
Forever be praised, forever be praised

For You alone are worthy and You alone  
are holy  
Forever be praised, forever be praised

Be magnified, be glorified  
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb  
As one we cry, be lifted high  
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

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Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb  
As one we cry, be lifted high  
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

To You be all the glory, to You be all the  
honor  
Forever be praised, forever be praised  
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are holy  
Forever be praised, forever be praised

We lay our lives down here at Your feet  
To the One who's worthy, You gave  
everything

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Leader: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, we give thanks that we have again received  
the Body and blood of Christ, the bread from heaven. Keep us firm in the true  
faith throughout our days of pilgrimage, that we speak the truth in love and  
build up the Body of Christ until that day we see You face-to-face; through  
Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

## BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

People: Amen

## CLOSING SONG

God so Loved

Come all you weary  
Come all you thirsty  
Come to the well  
That never runs dry  
Drink of the water  
Come and thirst no more

Come all you sinners  
Come find His mercy  
Come to the table  
He will satisfy  
Taste of His goodness  
Find what you're looking for

For God so loved  
The world that He gave us  
His one and only  
Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him  
Will live forever

Bring all your failures  
Bring your addictions  
Come lay them down  
At the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting there  
With open arms  
See His open arms

For God so loved  
The world that He gave us  
His one and only  
Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him  
Will live forever

The power of hell  
Forever defeated  
Now it is well  
I'm walking in freedom

For God so loved  
God so loved the world

Praise God  
Praise God  
From whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him  
Praise Him  
For the wonders of His love

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The world that He gave us  
His one and only  
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The power of hell  
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Now it is well  
I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved  
God so loved the world

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Come lay them down  
At the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting  
God so loved the world

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## DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

## POSTLUDE

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“The  
**Son of Man**  
came  
not to  
be served but  
**to serve,**  
and to  
**give his life**  
as a ransom  
**for many.”**

MARK 10:45, ESV