

Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 2026

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship Psalm 130

One: Out of the depths we call to You, O Lord.

Many: Let Your ears hear our supplication.

One: We wait for You, O God. In Your Word is our hope.

Many: We wait for You, O Lord, for with You there is mercy.

All: Come. Let us worship God.

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn 361 (blue) *How Firm a Foundation*

Call to Confession / Prayer of Confession

God, we are busy people. We become pre-occupied with the demands of work, our relationships, and our communities. We tend to focus on our own needs and fail to see the needs of those around us. We do that which we should not and fail to do that which we should. We ask for Your forgiveness and for Your guidance in following the path You have set before us. Hear us now as we humbly come before You, silently and privately, to confess our sin. *Silent Confession*

Lenten Response 82 (blue) *Oh Lamb of God Most Holy!*

Oh Lamb of God most holy Who on the cross did suffer
And patient still and lowly, Yourself to scorn did offer;
Our sins by You were taken, Or hope had us forsaken.
Have mercy on us, Jesus!

Assurance of pardon Psalm 130

One: "If you, God, kept records on wrongdoings, who would stand a chance? As it turns out, forgiveness is Your habit, and that's why You're worshiped." Friends, through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Congregational Response

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, Amen.

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 11:17-37

Children's Time

Anthem *Is This the King?*

Scripture Reading John 11:38-45

Sermon *Glory Be to God* Dr. David Cagle

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn 326 (blue) *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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 People and The Lord's Prayer

Call for the Offering / Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 319 (blue)

Spirit

SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME

*Charge and Benediction

*Choral Response

*Postlude

*Please stand, as able

Prayer Concerns: Alexander Elliott, grandson of Tommy Wilson; Lanette Garner, cousin of Chuck Conner; Susan McCaskill, sister-in-law of Susan Morgan; Bill Mitchell; Tom Morgan; Clyde Smith; Art and Margaret Thompson; Kennette Watkins, daughter-in-law of Neal and Trudy Watkins

Flowers are given by Larry and Michele Weatherly in loving memory of Michele's sister, Patricia Bantle Kelly.

The hydrangea arrangement is given in honor of Sue Stevenson's birthday by Jim and Noah.

Worship Assistants - Acolyte: Mila Adcock; Children's Church and Nursery: Karen Allen and Kason Jurczyk; Greeter: Charlie Smith; Head Usher: Chris Shepherd

(March 30 – April 3) Holy Week Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - Lenten worship at noon, lunch at 12:30 at First Methodist

Maundy Thursday - 7pm in our Sanctuary

Good Friday - no events

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