

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 26, 2023

ORGAN PRELUDE "There is a Fountain" - William Cowper

BAPTISMAL HYMN (AGPS) 95 Father Welcomes

HOLY BAPTISM *(LSB 268)* Calvin Michael Busenburg

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O Holy Spirit, You are a gift and a blessing. You call us from death and despair to faith and faithfulness and assure of resurrection and life in Christ, who has brought about our atonement. Enlighten our hearts that we may rejoice in the power and blessing of Your presence in and among us. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Father are one God, world without end.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING Ezekiel 37:1–14 *(monitor)*

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130 *(antiphon: v. 7)*

Pastor: O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

People: Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD!

Women: O Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

Men: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

Women: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;

Men: my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

Women: O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

Men: And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

**People: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

SECOND READING Romans 8:6–11 *(monitor)*

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

[Stand]

HOLY GOSPEL John 11:1–45 *(monitor)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the eleventh chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

[Sit]

[Children leave for a Story & Craft]

HYMN OF THE DAY (LSB) 544 O Love, How Deep *[st. 1, 3-5, 7]*

SERMON "Media's take on Jesus' miracles"

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(monitor)*

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go out into the world in peace, have courage, hold to what is good, return no person evil for evil, strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the suffering, honor all people, love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. The almighty God—the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless you.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *(AGPS)* 64 Amigos de Cristo

POSTLUDE “Werde munter” – Johann Pachelbel

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