

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 6, 2019

4:30 PM

***THIS IS CHRIST'S CHURCH; THERE IS A PLACE  
FOR YOU HERE.***



## ***OUR MISSION IS:***

***TO LOVE, SERVE, AND STRENGTHEN ALL PEOPLE IN CHRIST JESUS.***

**OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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Reverend Pat Schutz, Pastor  
Jamie Diestelhorst, Youth & Family Director  
Lee Ann Lindquist, Organist**

## **THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO KNOW...**

**WELCOME** to Our Saviour's. We are glad you have come to join us to give praise and thanks to God, to hear God's word to guide us in love and to receive the Lord's Supper to strengthen us in faith. May you be blessed to be a blessing.

**OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH** in Merrill, Wisconsin is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), a fellowship of churches from around North America who hold to basic Christian beliefs and practices. If you would like to learn more about Our Saviour's or the ELCA, please call our church office or visit the ELCA website at [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org), our synod website at [www.ecsw.org](http://www.ecsw.org), or our website at [www.oslcelca.org](http://www.oslcelca.org).

If you are **visiting** us, please sign one of the **Visitor Cards** in the pews and our **guest book**. We invite you to make yourself known to the ushers. If you are looking for a church family, we invite you to consider Our Saviour's as your church home.

**"WILLIAMS PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM"** is available from the ushers for those who have hearing impairments.

**RESTROOMS** are located in the hallway between the staircase and the narthex. There are changing tables in these bathrooms.

**WORSHIP HELPS** include hearing assist devices and large print bulletins. Please see an usher to use them. Also, if you are not able to come forward for communion, the communion servers would be glad to come to you in your pew. Please let an usher know you would prefer this.

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### **ELCA Vision Statement**

**Claimed** by God's grace for the sake of the world, we are a new creation through God's living Word by the power of the Holy Spirit;

**Gathered** by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will live among God's faithful people, hear God's Word, and share Christ's supper;

**Sent** by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, serve all people following the example of our Lord Jesus, and strive for justice and peace in all the world

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**ELW, Setting 10      Holy Communion**

**P=Presider    A=Assistant    C=Congregation    ↓=Sunday only**

Welcome to worship. We are glad you are here! If you are interested in joining Our Saviour's, please speak to Pr. Pat following service or throughout the week (715-536-5813 or 920-535-0014) for information.

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TEMPLE TALK**

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P**      Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.

**C**      **Amen.**

**P**      In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P**      God at the margins,

**C**      **We have wandered far from your home; again and again, we lose our way. We turn inward, afraid of the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Do not remember the sinful deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. Amen.**

**P**      Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender care. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy. Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day, forgiving your sins for the sake of + Christ, leading you from death into life.

**C**      **Amen.**

**\*GREETING**

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**

**ELW Setting 10**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P Let us pray. Creator God,
- C **you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC: Saturday—Choir, “In the Shadow Of Your Wings”**

**READING: Philippians 3:4b-14**

- A A reading from Philippians, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

[Paul writes:] <sup>4b</sup>If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

<sup>7</sup>Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup>More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup>I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

- A The word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**ELW Setting 10**

**\*GOSPEL: John 12:1-8**

P The holy gospel according to John, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup>There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup>Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup>But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, <sup>5</sup>"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" <sup>6</sup>(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) <sup>7</sup>Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup>You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE/SERMON**

**Pastor Pat Schutz**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

**ELW 807**

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*After each petition*

A Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

P Reveal your will as you receive our prayers, and conform our ways to your ways; through the saving work of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

P We share God's peace with one another.

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**DIALOGUE**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.  
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **PREFACE**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . join their unending hymn:

### **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

P With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

A Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

A Christ has prepared the feast. Come to the table where all are welcomed  
home.

**\*BLESSING**

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Let us pray. Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now in the power of your Spirit to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER FOR REVIVAL IN OUR MINISTRY**

ALL **O God, you have called your people to be the Body of Christ in this community, and witnesses of your presence in the world. Fill us with your Holy Spirit. Send down the fire of your love upon us, that we might draw others to you, as you have sent us to do. Anoint us with a deep compassion for those who do not know your love. Send revival on your church in this place, that all may come to experience the difference God's grace and love in Christ makes for all people and creation. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*BLESSING**

P God, who fills the creation with abundance, Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness, Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us, + bless you and bring you to life everlasting.

C **Amen.**

**SENDING SONG**

*Thine the Amen*

**ELW 826**

**DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**