

The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 3, 2022

Dove of Peace Lutheran Church 9:30 a.m.

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship Holy Communion Setting Five

WELCOME

Pastor Stephen Springer

Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading Paul recalls his transformation from the persecutor Saul into an apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.

PROLOGUE

Eric Holtan, pipe organ

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen, Op. 122, No. 3 Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Brahms reserved his composition for organ for the end of his life, writing eleven chorale preludes on nine Lutheran hymn tunes (two of which he set twice) as part of his Opus 122 in 1896. Although short in length, these works are masterful, and many are imbued with significant pathos. Originally a secular song (Innsbruck, I must leave thee), the basis for today's prologue later became a sacred hymn (often sung at funerals) with new text (O World, I must leave thee), a process known as contrafactum. The tune is found in our hymnal (ELW 480 & 568) with subsequent texts to the original contrafacta, and the selection of the piece relates to Jesus's characterization of Mary's lavishness on him in today's Gospel as preparation for his burial. Brahms likely considered his own death in ill-health by the words that begin, "O World, I must leave you, I travel from here along my way to the everlasting fatherland. I will give up my spirit so that my body and life lie in God's merciful hand."

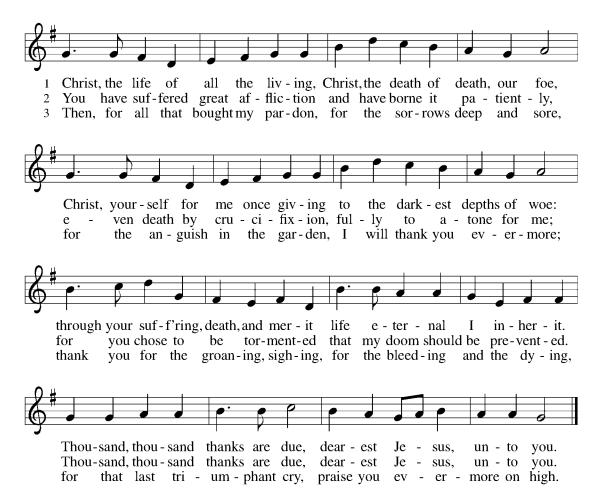
***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.**

Silence for reflection.

Holy One, we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

Beloved in Christ,
the Word draws near to you,
and all who call out to God shall be saved.
In Jesus, God comes to you again and again
and gathers you under wings of love.
In ⊕ Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.
God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.
Amen.



Text: Ernst Christoph Homburg, 1605–1681; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: JESU, MEINES LEBENS LEBEN, *Das grosse Cantional*, Darmstadt, 1687

*GREETING

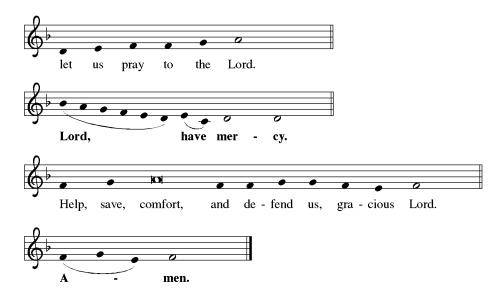
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.



*KYRIE



For this ho-ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor-ship and praise,



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Creator God, 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.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:16-21

The prophet declares that long ago God performed mighty deeds and delivered Israel from Egyptian bondage through the waters of the sea. Now, God is about to do a new thing, bringing the exiles out of Babylon and through the wilderness in a new Exodus.

A reading from Isaiah.

¹⁶Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY (ELW): Psalm 126

The refrain is first introduced by the leader, then repeated by the assembly.



Psalm 126:5

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 When the LORD restored the for- I tunes of Zion, then were we like I those who dream.
 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with I shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations,

- "The LORD has done great ' things for them."
- ³The LORD has done great ¹ things for us, and we are ¹ glad indeed.
- ⁴Restore our for- ¹ tunes, O LORD,
- like the watercourses | of the Negeb. REFRAIN
- ⁵Those who ¹ sowed with tears will reap with ¹ songs of joy.
- ⁶Those who go out weeping, carry- ¹ ing the seed, will come again with joy, shoulder- ¹ ing their sheaves. **REFRAIN**

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

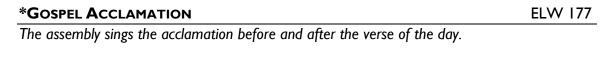
Writing to Christians in Philippi, Paul admits that his heritage and reputation could give him more reason than most people to place confidence in his spiritual pedigree. But the overwhelming grace of God in Jesus calls Paul to a new set of values.

A reading from Philippians.

[Paul writes:] ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised 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; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More 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 ⁹and 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. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not 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. ¹³Beloved, 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, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.





Cantor: Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what ¹ lies ahead,* I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God ¹ in Christ Jesus. [Philippians 3:13-14]

*GOSPEL: John 12:1-8

Judas willfully misinterprets as waste Mary's extravagant act of anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume. Jesus recognizes that her lavish gift is both an expression of love and an anticipation of his burial.

The Holy Gospel According to John Glory to you, O Lord.

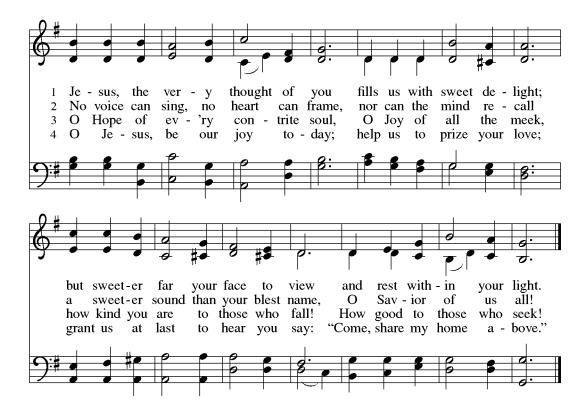
¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them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

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Stephen Springer





Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878 Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes, "Lord in your, mercy," and the assembly responds, "Hear our prayer."

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

After the assembly and the presiding minster exchange the peace, you are welcome to share the peace with others. Please do not presume that shaking hands or other touch is suitable for everyone. There is no physical exchange of peace in the extra precautions (NE) quadrant of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

(In-person worshipers may place their contributions in the offering plate in the church foyer before or after worship.) www.doveofpeacetucson.org/donate

Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love Setting by Dale Grotenhuis (1931-2012)

Dale Grotenhuis was Director of Choral Activities at Dordt College in Sioux Center, Iowa for more than 30 years. He also was a prolific composer of more than 200 choral works alone. His setting of the hymn tune GENEVAN 136 utilizes the melody in unison, augmentation, canon and four-part homorhythm, all over sustained chordal organ accompaniment. As the tune name suggests, the melody comes from the Genevan Psalter from the 16th century, and is found in several hymnals, although not ours. The text extols the name of Jesus and his saving work.

Jesus! Name of wondrous love, name all other names above, unto which must ev'ry knee bow in deep humility.

Jesus! Name decreed of old, to the maiden mother told, kneeling in her lowly cell, by the angel Gabriel.

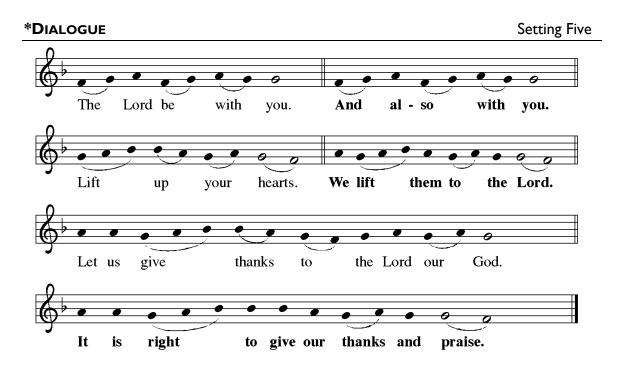
Jesus! Name of priceless worth to the fallen souls of earth for the promise that it gave, "Jesus shall his people save." Jesus! Name of mercy mild, given to the Holy Child when the cup of human woe first he tasted here below.

Jesus! Only name that's giv'n under all the mighty heav'n whereby we, to sin enslaved, bursts our fetters and are saved.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

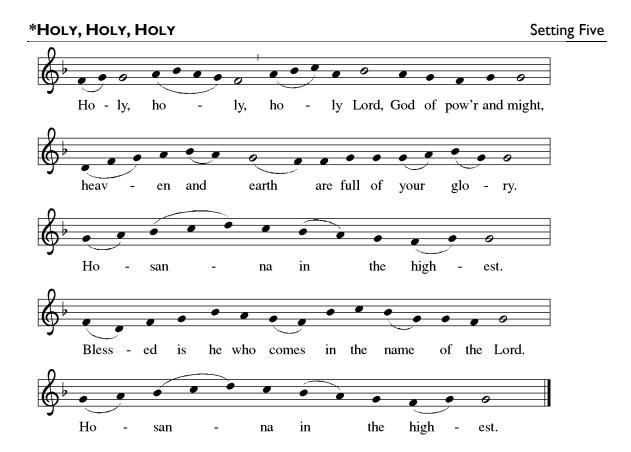
Let us pray. Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray.

Amen.



***PREFACE** (Lent)

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*PRAYER AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

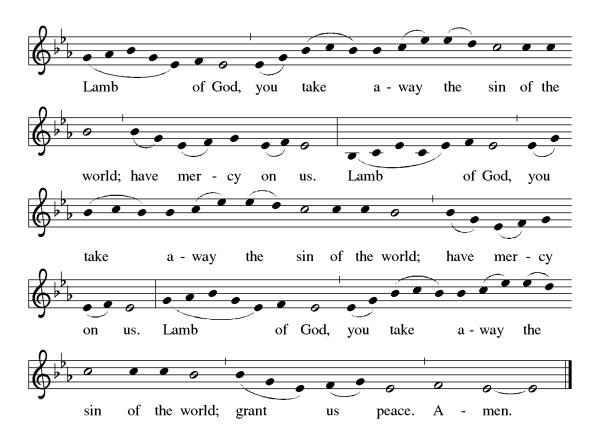


*THE LORD'S PRAYER

If you wish, you may join hands with members of your own household. Please do not join hands with others unless you have prior consent.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 THE MEAL

Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

The assembly sits. Worshipers who wish to receive communion may approach the altar (see guidelines below)

Option One: Communion by intinction

Worshipers may stand or kneel at the altar rail, and then may lower their mask to receive communion. The bread wafer will be placed in your hand by the pastor. When the chalice is offered, you may dip the tip of the wafer into the wine, and then consume the wafer.

Option Two: Packaged wafer

A sealed packet will be available at (or near) the baptismal font. It contains a host wafer which you may receive when you return to your seat.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Eric Holtan, pipe organ

Take My Life, That I May Be Theodore Beck (1929-2003)

Theodore Beck taught music at Concordia Teachers College (later renamed Concordia University Nebraska) in Seward, Nebraska from 1953 to 2001. He composed and arranged numerous works for choir and organ, and has several hymn tunes and hymn arrangements for hymnals to his credit. His setting of PATMOS (ELW 685) places the tune in the pedals as part of a trio of voices, in which the upper voices are often in imitative style. The text of the hymn speaks to the giving of all we have to the Lord, including our greatest treasures, much as Mary expended the expensive perfume on Jesus in today's Gospel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.

Amen.

COMMISSION

The Lord sends us forth into his world.

*BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.







Text: Martin Schalling, 1532–1608; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: HERZLICH LIEB, B. Schmid, *Orgeltabulaturbuch*, 1577

Jesu, meine Freude, BVVV 610 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Bach's Orgelbüchlein ("Little Organ Book") is comprised of 46 settings of Lutheran chorales, most of which he wrote while serving as court organist in Weimar, prior to his appointment in Leipzig. These short, contrapuntal masterpieces represent much of the liturgical year, and the collection is organized according to it. Although Jesu, meine Freude ("Jesus, Priceless Treasure," ELW 775) is found among Christmas chorales in the Orgelbüchlein, we generally associate the hymn with Lent. The nature of the text reflects great personal devotion to Jesus, similar to that demonstrated by Mary in today's Gospel.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor. Thanks be to God.

John Hoelter, assisting minister Dianne Huston, lector Eric Holtan, cantor and organist

In our prayers...

Member **Craig Priest**, receiving in-patient physical therapy at Catalina Post Acute Care and Rehabilitation.

Member **Lorraine Sandven** is out of the hospital and is recovering at the home of a friend. She expresses her deep appreciation for the cards, prayers, and wishes sent by members of our congregation over the last few weeks.

Join our email prayer chain by going to doveofpeacetucson.org/emails

Submit a prayer request by going to doveofpeacetucson.org/prayer

Easter flowers for the sanctuary

You can order flowers for \$20 using the yellow form found in the front foyer of the church. Flowers will adorn the sanctuary for the 9:30 a.m. service and livestream, and can be taken home immediately after.

Holy Week Schedule

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April 10, 2022	9:30 a.m. Palm Sunday	indoors, online
Palm Sunday	I I:00 a.m. Palm Sunday	outdoors, west courtyard
April 14, 2022	12 noon	Indoor service with
Maundy Thursday		eucharist; no stripping of
		the altar
	7:00 p.m.	Indoor service with
		eucharist and stripping of
		the altar
April 15, 2022	12 noon Good Friday	Principal service, includes
Good Friday		choir
	All day Good Friday	Stations of the Cross
		(Memorial Garden)
April 17, 2022	6:00 a.m.	Outdoor sunrise
Easter		(includes eucharist)
	9:30 a.m.	Festival service with
		choirs and brass
		(includes eucharist)
	11:00 a.m.	Outdoor
		(includes eucharist)





Dove of Peace Special Offering Lutheran Disaster Response: Eastern European Crisis

Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, as well as such ecumenical partners as Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian responses to the crisis. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food, blankets, water and hygiene kits.

100% of the money given to this LDR appeal will be used to provide support for people impacted by conflict in the region.

We are preparing a congregational gift to the LDR campaign. Members of Dove of Peace have already contributed over \$5,600 to this gift!

Today is the final day of our collection of funds. You can easily give online, or place a check in the offering plate.



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The Dove of Peace Communication Task Force

invites you to step into the future of Dove of Peace at a spring lunch catered by Pastor Steve Springer

Saturday, April 23, 2022

Begins at 11:30 a.m. will conclude by 1:00 pm.

All Saints Hall

Space is limited Reserve your place by Wednesday, April 20: Call Nelly: **520-887-5127**

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