



Our Vision: Growing in love for God and others we make disciples for Jesus. Our Mission: Love God – Love People – Make Disciples.

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT April 6, 2025 - 9:00 AM

# PRELUDE "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

George J. Elvey, arr: Lloyd Larson, Dorothy Parris, Piano

#### SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. I will ponder all your work and meditate on your mighty deeds. (Psalm 77:11-12)

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Bob

# PREPARING OUR HEARTS "By His Wounds"

Written by David Nasser and Mac Powell, Debbie Fisher,
John Scaggs-Vocals, Jackie Miles-Violin

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Brendan Wagner

Leader: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors,

that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is this King of glory?

Leader: The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

People: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient

doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Leader: Who is he, this King of glory?

People: The Lord Almighty—he is the King of glory.

Leader: Let us worship God!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" #3

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Brendan Wagner

We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done.

#### PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS & RENEWAL

Brendan Wagner Forgive us our sins, O Lord. Forgive us for the sins of our youth and the sins of our age, the sins of our soul and the sins of our body, our secret and our whispering sins, our presumptuous and our careless sins, the sins we have done to please ourselves, and the sins we have done to please others. Forgive us the sins that we know, and the sins that we know not; forgive them, O Lord, forgive them all because of your great goodness. Through Jesus Christ,

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

our Lord. Amen

Brendan Wagner God himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

\*HYMN OF WORSHIP

#128 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Bob

**SHARING OUR GIFTS** 

Pastor Bob

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Come Touch the Robe"

Pepper Choplin, Celebration Singers Mary Lee Lehrich-Soprano

#### \*DOXOLOGY

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Brendan Wagner Our Father in heaven, multiply our gifts and increase their usefulness. Magnify your purposes in their distribution, to the end that your kingdom may come, and your will may be done on earth as it in in heaven. Hear us now as we pray together the prayer Jesus taught us, "Our Father...".

#### \*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Brendan Wagner **NEW TESTAMENT READING** John 18:28-40

This is the Word of the Lord Leader:

People: Thanks be to God

**SERMON** "lesus Stands Before Pilate" Rev Dr Bob Simmons

(Series: "Meet Jesus: The Greatest Life Ever Lived")

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

# \*AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

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 Spirit, 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 sits on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

Pastor Bob

Hear Christ's invitation to us this morning: "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

#### **COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of all power, send your Holy Spirit upon us, that in sharing the bread we may share in the body of Christ, that in sharing the cup we may share in the blood. Grant that, being joined together in Christ Jesus, we may become united in faith and in all things become mature in the one who is our Lord. Amen.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP** 

**\*SONG OF CELEBRATION** "Alleluia" #189

\*BENEDICTION Pastor Bob

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"
POSTLUDE

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### AFTER WORSHIP BIBLE CLASS

Join us today as we continue our study, "Who is the Holy Spirit," with a 25-minute video by Dr. Sinclair Ferguson. The class starts around 10:20 AM and ends at 11:00 AM.

# SEDER CEREMONY & DINNER - April 15, 2025

Join us for a meaningful Seder Ceremony led by Rabbi Zimmerman on **Tuesday**, **April 15th**, beginning at **5:30 pm in the Fellowship Center**. The evening will include a delicious dinner, followed by the Seder Ceremony at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$10 per person. You can sign up on Sundays in the Narthex or at the church office. We look forward to sharing this special time of reflection and fellowship with you!

#### **EASTER FLOWERS - ANNUAL HOLIDAY TRADITION**

Honor a loved one or celebrate a special event by purchasing Easter flowers for our worship service. Flowers are \$20 each. Please complete the form on the narthex table and place it in the offering box with your payment or bring your check to the office (memo line: "Easter Flowers") by April 11, 2025.



# CHANCEL FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD...

In memory of daughter, Susan.

-Carol & Bud Fuls