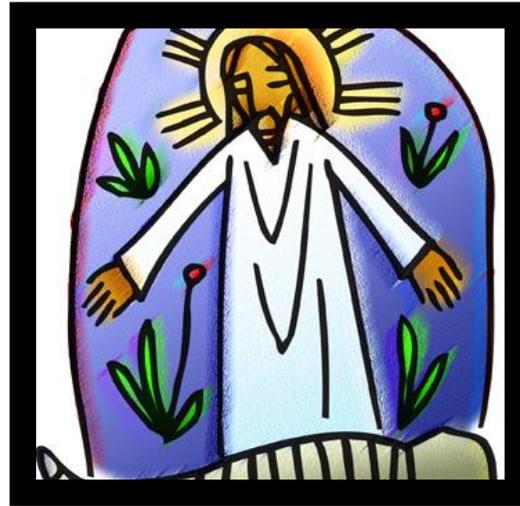


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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

Rev. Lyndon Sayers, Pastor

March 22, 2026 – 10:00 AM

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



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Gathering Song

I Am the Bread of Life – No. 485

Refrain

**And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.**

Vs. 1

**I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
and who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons. *Refrain***

Vs. 2

**The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever, you shall live forever *Refrain***

Vs. 3

**Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you. *Refrain***

Vs. 4

**I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
even though you die, you shall live forever. *Refrain***

Refrain

**And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.**

Kyrie

**Creator, have mercy; O, Christ,
have mercy;
Creator, have mercy upon us.**

Psalm 130

Refrain: I wait for you, O Lord; in your word is my hope.

¹ Out of the depths, I cry to you, O LORD;

² **O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

³ If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

⁴ **Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared. R**

⁵ I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

⁶ **My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

⁷ O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plentiful redemption.

⁸ **For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins. R**

Lenten Acclamation

**Let your steadfast love strengthen us,
O God. Save us as you promised.
We will trust your word.
Lord to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.**

Gospel Reading

Word of God, word of life.
Praise to you, O Christ

Hymn of the Day
Restore in Us, O God – No. 328

Vs. 1

**Restore in us, O God,
the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts,
and all our sins remove.**

Vs. 2

**O Spirit, wake in us
the wonder of your pow'r;
from fruitless fear unfurl our lives
like springtime bud and flow'r.**

Vs. 3

**Bring us, O Christ, to share
the fullness of your joy;
baptize us in the risen life
that death cannot destroy.**

Vs. 4

**Three-personed God, fulfill
the promise of your grace,
that we, when all our searching ends,
may see you face to face.**

Prayers of the People

Merciful God,
Receive our prayer.

Peace Sharing

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



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Offering Song

Psalm – N. Sleeth – Choir

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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

Sanctus

**Holy Holy Holy
O God of hoasts
Heav'n and earth are
full of your glory**

Thanksgiving Prayer

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth
as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin
against us. Save us from the time of trial and
deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Songs
Precious Lord, Take My Hand – No. 773

Refrain

Take my hand, precious Lord. Lead me home

Vs. 1

Precious Lord, take my hand. Lead me on, let me stand

I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lorn

Through the storm, through the night. Lead me on to the light

Refrain

Vs. 2

In my way grows drear. Precious Lord, linger near

When my life is almost gone. Hear my cry, hear my call

Hold my hand, lest I fall *Refrain*

Vs. 3

**When the darkness appears
And the night draws near
And the day is past and gone
At the river, I stand
Guide my feet, hold my hand *Refrain***

Vs. 4

**Precious Lord, take my hand
Lead me on, let me stand
I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lorn
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light *Refrain***

Refrain

Take my hand precious Lord. Lead me home

Now Is the Time of Grace – No. 750

Vs. 1

**Lord, thee I love with all my heart;
I pray thee, ne'er from me depart;
with tender mercy cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would share,
yea, heav'n itself were void and bare
if thou, Lord, were not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break,
my trust in thee can nothing shake.
Thou art the portion I have sought;
thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,
forsake me not! I trust thy word.**

Vs. 2

**Yea, Lord, thy own rich bounty gave
my body, soul, and all I have
in this poor life of labor.**

**Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place
may glorify thy lavish grace
and serve and help my neighbor.**

**Let no false teaching me beguile,
let Satan not my soul defile.**

**Give strength and patience unto me
to bear my cross and follow thee.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,
my God and Lord, my God and Lord,
in death thy comfort still afford.**

Vs. 3

**Lord, let at last thine angels come,
to Abr'ham's bosom bear me home,
that I may die unfearing;
and in its narrow chamber keep
my body safe in peaceful sleep
until thy reappearing.**

**And then from death awaken me,
that these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, thy glorious face,
my Savior and my fount of grace.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,
my prayer attend, my prayer attend,
and I will praise thee without end!**

Sending Song

O God, Who Gives Us Life – No. 1086

Vs. 1

**O God, who gives us life and breath,
who shapes us in the womb,
who guards our lives from birth to death,
then leads us from the tomb:
deliver us from fears that kill
the life we have from you.
Help us to know your Spirit still
is making all things new.**

Vs. 2

**O God, who calls your people out to venture and to dare,
to plumb the bleak abyss of doubt and find you even there:
when we despair in wandering through wastes of empty lies,
refresh us with the living spring of hope that never dies.**

Vs. 3

**O God of covenant and law, revealed in cloud and flame,
your mighty deeds evoke our awe; we dare not speak your name.
Yet we by faith are drawn to you and will your people prove,
as on our hearts you write anew the covenant of love.**

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