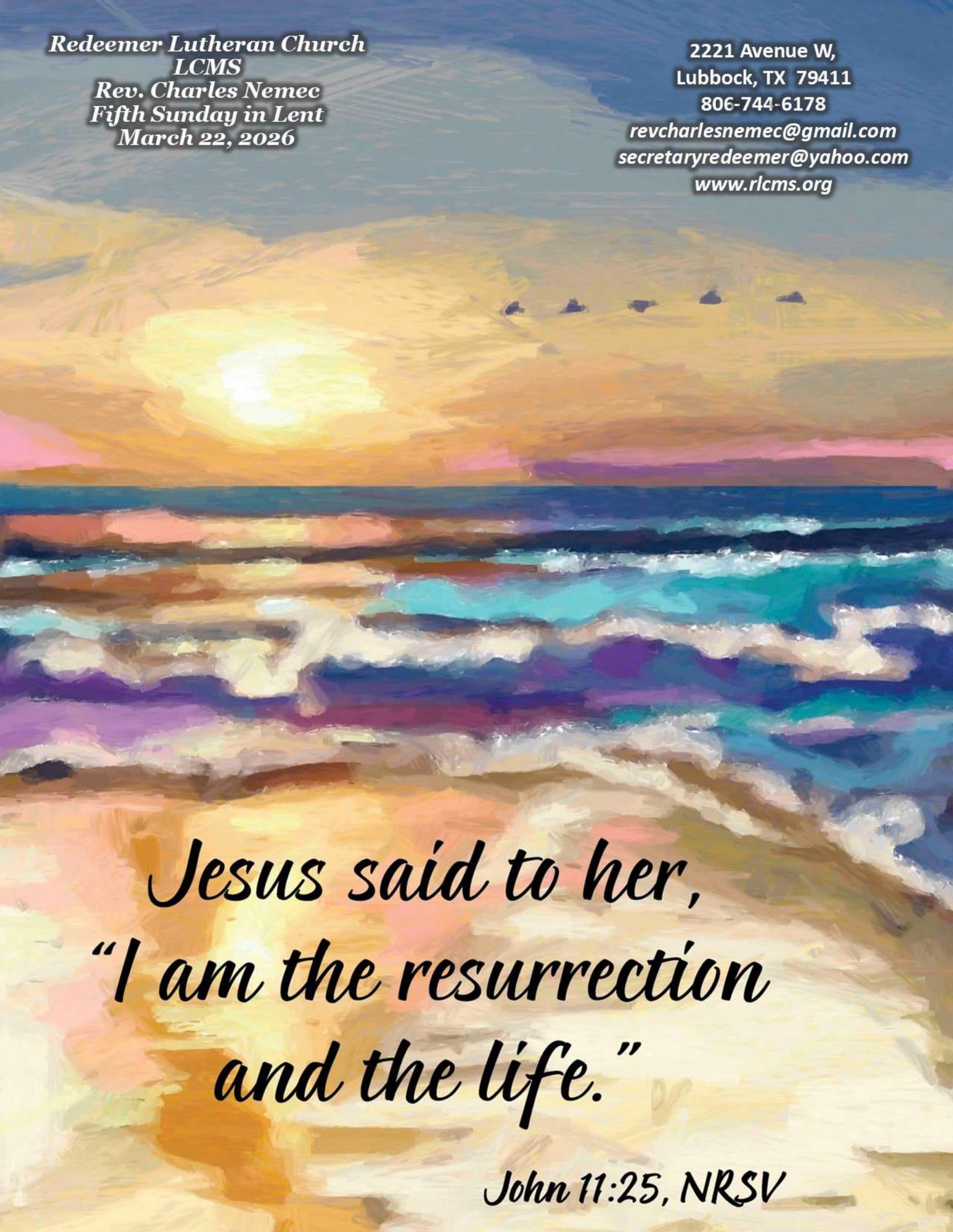


*Redeemer Lutheran Church  
LCMS  
Rev. Charles Nemec  
Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 22, 2026*

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*Jesus said to her,  
"I am the resurrection  
and the life."*

*John 11:25, NRSV*



**WELCOME!** In the Holy name of Jesus who has redeemed us from sin and death through His cross and resurrection. As St. Paul reminds us, "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** If you have a special petition for the "Prayer of the Church" at the altar in the service, **enter such on the "Prayer Request" sheet on the Welcome table.** Please print clearly, and may God graciously answer in Jesus' name.

**VISITORS and GUESTS:** We warmly welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior and are joy-filled to have you with us this Lord's Day. May the counsel and comfort of His Word bless you for the week ahead!

## *Serving Today*

*Pastor*

Rev. Charles Nemec

*Elder:*

Richard Holder

*Ushers:*

Harvey Fleischhauer

Isaiah Clark



*Organist:*

Cynthia Merrell

*Stewardship Counters:*

Shirley Steinfath

Barbara Davis

*Altar:*

Judy Lingnau

Lynn Ladage

Hymn of Invocation: 742 For Me to Live Is Jesus



1 For me to live is Je - sus, To die is gain for me;  
 2 For Christ, my Lord, my broth - er, I leave this world so dim  
 3 My woes are near - ly o - ver, Though long and dark the road;  
 4 Lord, when my pow'rs are fail - ing, My breath comes heav - i - ly,



So when my Sav - ior pleas - es, I meet death will - ing - ly.  
 And glad - ly seek an - oth - er, Where I shall be with Him.  
 My sin His mer - its cov - er, And I have peace with God.  
 And words are un - a - vail - ing, O hear my sighs to Thee.

5 In my last hour, O grant me  
 A slumber soft and still,  
 No doubts to vex or haunt me,  
 Safe anchored in Thy will;

6 And so to Thee still cleaving  
 When death shall come to me,  
 I fall asleep believing  
 And wake in heav'n with Thee!

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**Baptism of Maximus Alexander Pritchard.**

*Service of Holy Baptism is on page 268.*

**Exhortation**

*Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5*

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand - Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**Confession of Sins**

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

### Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

### Service of the Word

### Psalm 130

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!

<sup>2</sup>O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

<sup>3</sup>If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

<sup>5</sup>I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

<sup>6</sup>my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

<sup>8</sup>And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

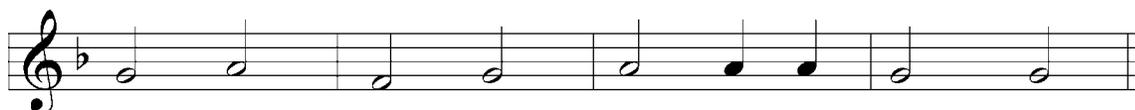
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### Kyrie

Mark 10:47

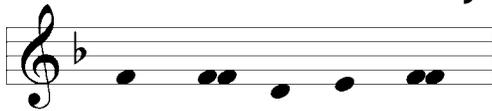


**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

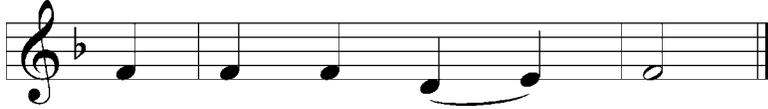


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**G** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Ezekiel 37:1-14*

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O Lord GOD, you know.” <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, “Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD.”

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’ <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel.

<sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I

will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Gradual

*Hebrews 12:2*



[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*

**the founder and perfecter | of our faith,**

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,\*

**and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.**

### Epistle

*Romans 8:1–11*

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup>For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God’s law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

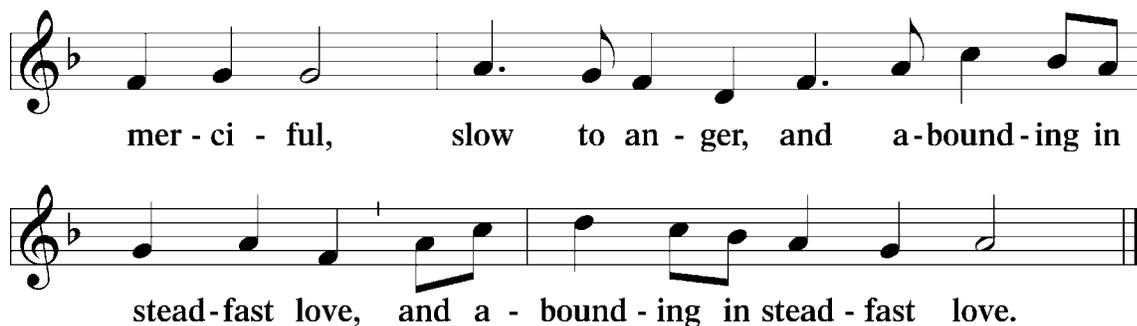
### Stand

### Lenten Responsory

*Joel 2:13*



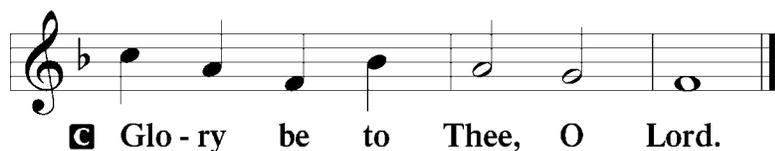
**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and



## Holy Gospel

*John 11:1–45*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.



<sup>1</sup>Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent to him, saying, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it he said, “This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

<sup>5</sup>Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup>So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?” <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.” <sup>11</sup>After saying these things, he said to them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him.” <sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover.” <sup>13</sup>Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup>and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” <sup>16</sup>So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

<sup>17</sup>Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup>So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house.

<sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who

lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup>She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

<sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” <sup>29</sup>And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup>When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup>Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. <sup>34</sup>And he said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” <sup>35</sup>Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days.” <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me.” <sup>43</sup>When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.” <sup>44</sup>The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

<sup>45</sup>Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## **Apostles' Creed**

**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, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

## Hymn of the Day: 548 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious



1 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, vic - to - rious! Thanks to Thee, O  
2 Thou hast died for my trans - gres - sion, All my sins on  
3 For the joy Thine ad - vent gave me, For Thy ho - ly,



Lord of Life! Death hath now no pow - er o'er us,  
Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me sal - va - tion,  
pre - cious Word; For Thy Bap - tism, which doth save me,



Thou hast con - quered in the strife. Thanks be - cause Thou didst a -  
On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall a -  
For Thy blest Com - mu - nion board; For Thy death, the bit - ter



rise And hast o - pened par - a - dise! None can ful - ly  
rise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death it - self is  
scorn, For Thy res - ur - rec - tion morn, Lord, I thank Thee



sing the glo - ry Of the res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.  
tran - si - to - ry; I shall lift my head in glo - ry.  
and ex - tol Thee, And in heav'n I shall be - hold Thee.

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## Sermon

Stand

## Offertory

*Psalm 51:10-12*



☐ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it  
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-  
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

*Sit*  
**Offering**

*Stand*  
**Prayer of the Church**

**Lord's Prayer**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**

**Closing Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



**C** A - men.

**Salutation**

*2 Timothy 4:22*



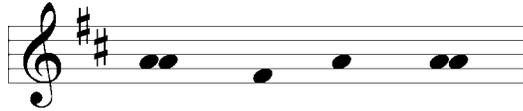
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**Benedicamus**

*Psalm 103:1*



**A** Bless we the Lord.



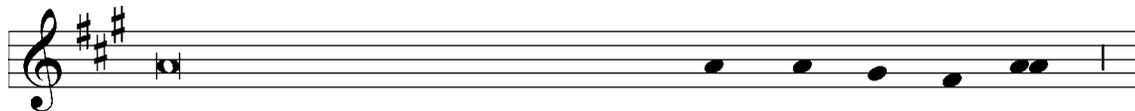
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

**Hymn to Depart: 490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won**



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -  
 2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is  
 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus  
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall  
 5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -



pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!  
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,  
 liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,  
 sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell  
 mor - tal; This shall calm my trem - bling breath



From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er  
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is  
 Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I  
 Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will  
 When I pass its gloom - y por - tal. Faith shall



scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

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## *Sunday School*

Following the Sunday morning service, we have children's Sunday school and adult Bible study. We are currently studying the book of Acts.

## *Lenten Services*

### *Holy Week According to Zechariah*

**March 25 7pm**

Him Whom They Have Pierced

**April 2nd 7pm**

Maundy Thursday

**April 3rd 7pm**

Good Friday

## *Palm and Lily Sign Up*

It is time to order palms and lilies for the altar. There is a sign up sheet on the table near the mailboxes. Palms are \$18 and lilies are \$12.

Please pay when you sign up.

## *Sunday Morning Refreshments*

We all love the snacks brought on Sunday mornings. If you are able, please sign up to help us provide these goodies for Bible study. There is a sign up sheet next to the bar.

## *Wednesday Bible Study*

We will meet every **Wednesday at 11am**. We are studying **Romans!**

## *Supper On Sundays*

**Please keep us in mind for Supper On Sunday.** Check out the student center website for ongoing activities. <https://lsftech.org/>

Thank you for supporting God's mission of Finding, Shaping, & Sending followers of Jesus on the TTU campus.

## *Young Adult Bible Study*

The next meeting is planned for **March 30th at 7pm**. We are studying the **Gospel of Matthew**.

# Baptism

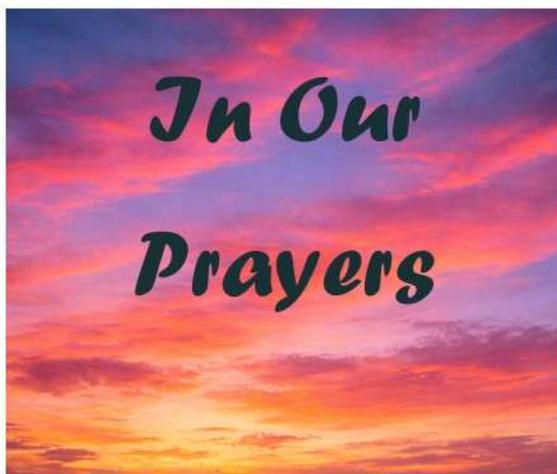
All things have  
*become new.*

2 Corinthians 5:17, NKJV

# *This Week at Redeemer*

- Today (22nd)**    8:00am    Lutheran Hour-KFYO 790 *(Sponsored by Redeemer)*
- 9:30am    Divine Service
- 10:45am    Bible Study
- Monday (23rd)** 6:30pm    Apple Core Care Group
- 6:30pm    Evangelism Training via zoom
- Tuesday (24th)** 1:30pm    Braille
- Wednesday (25th)** 11:00am Bible Study
- 7:00pm    Lenten Service
- 
- Sunday (29th)**    Ushers:    Levi, Richard

Sue Swearingen  
 Pam Haseloff  
 Phil Jeske *(Cheryl's Step-Dad)*  
 Mark Barlau *(Danny's brother)*  
 Nancy Obenhaus  
 Nathan Mennenga  
 Kathy Combes *(Steve's sister)*  
 Jason Davis *(friend of the Clarks)*



Meredith LaFleur  
 Diana Tubb *(Cheryl's sister)*  
 Lois Bates  
 Grant LaFleur *(Meredith's son)*  
 Richard Railsback *(Barbara D.'s Brother-in-law)*  
 Truitt Sutton  
 Danny Barlau

*Altar greenery is provided by members of Redeemer.*

**Thank you to everyone who donates flowers for the Altar. When you sign up, please be aware that you are signing up for the entire month as with refrigeration, most arrangements can be used for up to four weeks. Flowers can be donated to commemorate an event/person or simply to give glory to God.**

March 15th Total Attendance	Visitors & Guests	March Tithes	Monthly Budget Needs
60	20	\$10,896.80	\$20,186.42

Redeemer has the ability to collect your tithes by electronic transfer. If you would like to sign up for this convenient way to make your tithe, please talk to our treasurer, Patty Perkins. We also have a "Give Now" option on our Website "rlcms.org". You can give a one time offering or set up a recurring offering. If you have any questions you can contact Patty Perkins (806)473-7333 or the Church Secretary 806-744-6178.