

5th Sunday in Lent

10:00 AM

April 6th, 2025

*Then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."
3 The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. Psalm 126:2-3*

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34 in Unison)

I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice. Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN** "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (v 1,2,3,5) No. 21

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***CONFESSION RESPONSE:** "Behold the Lamb"

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING RESPONSE:** "Doxology"

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

ANTHEM "Come, Come to the Table" Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Samuel 9:1-13

SERMON "A Dead Dog Like Me" Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

***HYMN** "Around the Table of the King"

COMMUNION

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN** "Rock of Ages" No. 342

POSTLUDE Debbe Picerno

***Those who are able please stand.**



Ushers: Deacons

Welcome Desk: Adalee Schultz

Liturgist: Cora Murtha

Greeters: Charlotte Smedley

Fellowship Hour: BJ McKean

Child Care: Pam Greb

<i>THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR</i>		
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship & Communion
	11 AM	Sunday School
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
	6:30 PM	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
	5:30-7 PM	Faith & Fellowship
	7 PM	Choir
Friday:	12-5 PM	Blood Drive @ Meridian Firehall
Saturday:	9 AM	Men's Breakfast @ Mac's Café
	10 AM	Grief Fellowship Hour

PRAYER REQUESTS- Starting this week during announcements the children can gather in the back of the church to collect prayer requests in the baskets.

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP NIGHTS- Join us this week for our last Wednesday night Faith & Fellowship event from 5:30-7 PM.

BLOOD DRIVE- We will host our next blood drive on Friday, April 11th from 12-5 PM at Meridian Firehall. You can sign up at redcrossblood.org if you are able to donate.

GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST- Join us Friday, April 18th at 7 AM for breakfast, followed by our guest speaker Melody Hooks. The topic of her program will be "The Hope of Good Friday." Afterwards you will be invited to participate in the stations of the cross. We are looking for volunteers to help serve breakfast. Please sign up in the fellowship room.

PALM SUNDAY CHILDREN'S EVENT- Join us on Sunday, April 13th during Sunday School hour, we will have an Easter lesson followed by a "Little Jesus Scavenger Hunt" a creative twist on our traditional Easter Egg Hunt.

NEW MEMBERS- Will be recognized during our Palm Sunday service, April 13th. Please let the office know if you plan on officially joining the church on this day.

EASTER SUNDAY- We will have two services on Easter Sunday, April 20th at 9 & 11 AM.

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