



Sunday, April 2, 2017

Worship 9:00am

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

ELW Holy Communion Setting Four

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

This confession provides extended silence for listening, pondering, and self-reflection. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: In the name of the Father,
and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of heaven and earth,
you come in close and make us yours.
Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin,
embrace your forgiveness,
and seek the way you set before us in your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

The assembly may kneel or stand.

An extended silence may be kept.

P: Merciful God,

C: forgive us.

Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free.

We have spoken when we should have kept quiet.

Silence.

We were silent when we should have said something.

Silence.

We acted when we knew better.

Silence.

We were still when we know we should have moved.

Silence.

**For the wrong we have done,
for the good we have failed to do,
have mercy on us,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

P: People of God, look to the ✙ Son,
given to heal you and set you free
because God loved the world so much.
Take hold of life—eternal life!

C: Amen.

GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on 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."

⁷So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.'

¹²Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 130

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

C: ²**O LORD, | hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my | supplication.

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

C: ⁴**Yet with you | is forgiveness, in order that you | may be feared.**

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

C: 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.**

A: ⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is | steadfast
love; with the LORD there is plen- | teous redemption.

C: ⁸**For the LORD shall | redeem Israel from | all their sins.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:6-11

⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: John 11:1-45

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C; Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." ⁴But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

⁷Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" ⁹Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because

they see the light of this world. ¹⁰But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” ¹¹After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” ¹²The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” ¹³Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” ¹⁶Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

¹⁷When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” ²³Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” ²⁴Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” ²⁵Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

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

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹So

they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Word of God Is Source and Seed **ELW 506**

APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the

Father, and he will 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Lifting our voices and turning toward God, let us pray for the church, the earth, and all who are in need. *(A brief silence.)*

God, our sure strength, set the mind of your church on the Spirit of love and kinship. Bring healing where there is division and hope where there is worry...

A: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

A: ...Into your hands, merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love; through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

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OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 186

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

A: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

A: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: 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 COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

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SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION BY INTINCTION

Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized Christians who believe the words "This is my body given for you, shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come forward to receive this gift of grace. Please wait for ushers to direct you to the front of the sanctuary. Communion by intinction means that when you come forward, bread will be placed in your hand. Then you will dip the bread in the cup and eat. The chalice with purple liquid is red wine and the chalice with yellow liquid is white grape juice. If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, let the ushers know and we will bring communion to you. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest. May these gifts keep you in eternal life.

COMMUNION HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

ELW 886

COMMUNION HYMN

Eat This Bread: Jesus Christ, Bread of Life

ELW 472 3X

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

P: Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you ☩ peace.
C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

ELW 324

DISMISSAL

A: Marked with the cross of Christ,
go forth to love and serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

~Worship Leaders~

Presider ~ Rev. Brenda Lovick

Assisting Minister ~ Carolyn Lien **Lector** ~ Peggy Luther

Acolytes ~ Emma Nottestad & Anders Amundson

Greeters ~ Kitty Epperson

Ushers ~ Carroll & Bonnie Ehrke, Arvid & Linda Mathison

Communion Set-up/Take-down ~ Steadfast Circle

Communion Assistants ~ Bjorn & Will Kaashagen

Musician ~ Andrew Severson

Offering Counters ~ Carroll Ehrke & Scott Nottestad

Nursery ~ Sabra Jacobson/Brenda Schroeder

Audio Ministry ~ Karen Hayes

Church Lock-up ~ Holly Loomis

Coffee Hour ~ Frodel & Hanson Family in honor of
Curt and Linda Hanson's 50th Wedding Anniversary.

God Bless you, Curt and Linda!



~Prayers~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. **If you wish a person to remain on the prayer list longer than 3 weeks please make note weekly on your prayer card or contact the church office.** Thank you.

*Denotes new/changed request.

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of Lindsay Stolen.

God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...

-Christy Anderson -Arlen Lund -Kristina Trizan
-Alma Houfe -Lyle Walheim -Donna Rahn*
-Brian Carlson* -Braxden Carlson* -June Lehr*
-The grieving family of Myron Fosdal.

God's protection & safety for people of the world.

-For global refugee crisis.
-For the peace among all the nations of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty: Matt Kaare. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty that is not included in these prayers so they can be added.)

Attendance Report:

Sunday

Marcy 26, 2017: 79
March 19, 2017: 84
March 12, 2017: 84
March 5, 2017 : 94

Wednesday

Noon ~ March 29, 2017: 11
7:00pm ~ March 29, 2017: 24
Noon ~ March 22, 2017: 13
7:00pm ~ March 22, 2017: 23

~Announcements~

Holy Communion Class

What: We will bake bread, eat bread, and talk about Jesus and the early church. *Lunch will be provided for everyone.*

When: TODAY 11:30AM-3PM.

Who: People of all ages, people who have never taken communion, people who have been taking communion but would like to learn or talk about communion. Children please come with an adult.

Are you a Thrivent member? Don't forget about Thrivent Action Teams! Contact your Thrivent Representative about using your Thrivent Action Team dollars.

Bible Study on Galatians continues. We meet weekly on Wednesdays at 10:45 a.m. for one hour. All are welcome.

125th Anniversary The planning is underway for our observation of the 125th anniversary of the Upper Church. If you are interested in helping plan this event, please sign-up on the sheet provided in the Narthex.

40 Days of Giving is a Lenten mission where we will collect monetary gifts and non perishable food for five local food pantries: Cambridge, Deerfield, Edgerton, Fort Atkinson & Stoughton. We collect donations now thru Easter Sunday, April 16th. Envelopes are available in the narthex. Please make checks out to EKLC. To assist the offering counters please put your name on the envelope.

Sermon Series March 8 - April 5: *With Awe and Love*, Wednesday, April 5: Holy Communion. Services offered at 12 noon and 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday. Potluck Supper at 6:00pm. Please bring your family and a dish to pass.

~Welcome Visitors!~

Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.

~Calendar of Events~

Sunday, April 2, 2017

- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Coffee hour
- 10:15am Sunday School/Confirmation
- 11:30am Holy Communion Class

Monday, April 3, 2017

Pastor's day off

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
- 9:30am Prayers for Our People
- 10am-12pm Pastor's Office Hours
- 2pm-4pm Pastor's Office Hours

Wednesday, April 5, 2017

- 10:45am Galatians Bible Study
- 12:00pm Lenten Worship Service
- 6:00pm Confirmation
- 6:00pm Lenten Supper
- 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service

Thursday, April 6, 2017

- 9:00am Pastor's Text Study
- 10:30am Pastor's Meeting at Grace Lutheran

Sunday, April 9, 2017 Palm Sunday

- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Palm Sunday Brunch
- 10:30am Stewardship Meeting
- EKL Youth event "Escape Room" (following brunch)