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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIPZsQ5nMwmFfhUGn8zJ3sQ/videos>

Please feel free to place any questions you may have by replying in the comments section (Youtube), or contact the church office by phone or email and request to be added to our email list.

PRAYER REQUEST

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time during each worship service. You can share a prayer request online in the comments section (Youtube) and by contacting the church by email or phone.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 29th, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

PRELUDE Alex Sandor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *Bless the Lord* #544 (X4)

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 35)

One: Rise up to help us, O God.

All: Remind our soul's that you alone are our salvation.

One: Let us magnify the Lord together.

All: We will serve you God. Do not be far from us.

One: Great are you God! You delight in our welfare.

All: Our mouths will constantly praise you and tell of your righteousness.

HYMN *Breathe on Me Breath of God* #286

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God who holds all lives closely, we confess that we often are anxious about what goes on in the world. We confess that right now, illness concerns us, even possibly, scares us. We confess that because of this we often spend more time worrying about the news than worrying about our neighbors. In the midst of this crisis, we confess that we often turn to thoughts of woe instead of thoughts of you or how you are at work in the world. Forgive us for not turning our thoughts towards you. Forgive us for our lack of prayer. Comfort us God, remind us of your healing power and presence as we stay home. Heal us, transform us, and make yourself known through us. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great physician, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Family, God loves us and cares for us even when we are scared, sick, or isolated. There is resurrection hope for all. Witness and believe the good news of the Gospel: because of Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

Just a Closer Walk with Thee 835

Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it,
1 I am weak, but thou art strong; Je - sus,
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for

Je - sus, is my plea, dai - ly walk - ing close to
keep me from all wrong; I'll be sat - is - fied as
fal - ter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my bur - den
me will be no more; guide me gent - ly, safe - ly

thee: let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. Ref.
shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. Ref.
o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. Ref.

We Come to You for Healing, Lord 796

1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
 4 Through nights of pain and wake - ful - ness, through
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in

bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
 reached toward those in pain, we know you come a -
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our

Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
 mong us still with power to heal a - gain.
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

SENDING

544 Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

PASSING THE PEACE

You are invited to bless those in the comments section with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you." Please also say "Hello" to one another.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Christy Willmore

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Haley Olson

*Old Testament Reading**Ezekiel 37:1-14*

SERMON "In The Midst of Isolation: Resurrection" Rev. Brett Foote

*New Testament Reading**John 11:1-4,17,21-23,41-44*HYMN *We Come to You for Healing, Lord*

#796

OFFERING

Moment for Mission

Offertory

Alex Sandor

RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures, here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of resurrection, we offer all our gifts to you, our lives, our passions and so much more. Bless these tithes and offerings. Bless our mission and vision as the church, as we reach out with our neighbors for the betterment of our community. May we be good stewards of these gifts and may we be generous neighbors. Help us to connect with and care for our community so that the Twin Ports may know that they are loved by us and by God. In the name of the Holy Trinity, Amen.

TIME FOR PRAYER

Prayers to be Shared

Please email the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section. (Youtube)

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

#835

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The 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. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord GOD, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I 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.'

So 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. I 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. Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, 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.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then 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." Therefore prophesy, 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. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I 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.'

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 11:1-4,17,21-23,41-44

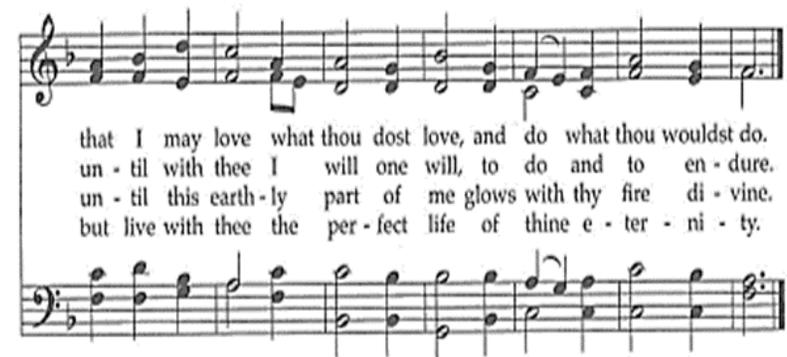
Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, 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.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I 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.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The 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.'

Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286



1 Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new,
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,



that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.