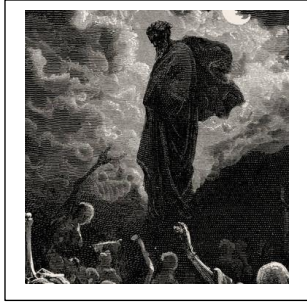


Mark your calendars:

- Wednesday, March 29th – 6:00 Dinner and 7:00 Lenten Service at Nora
- Sunday, April 2nd – Palm Sunday 9am at Nora, 10 am Sunday School. 11am at Kirkebo

**Perley Parish
Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 26, 2023**



Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: Oh for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

So now Thy blessed Name I love, thy will would e'er be mine.
Had I a thousand hearts to give, my Lord, they all were Thine!

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy God,

we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy words; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen

Prayer of the Day: 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. Amen

Psalm 130 (Read Responsively)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. ² **Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!** ³ If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? ⁴ **But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.** ⁵ I wait for the LORD; my soul waits, and in his word I hope; ⁶ **my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.** ⁷ O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. ⁸ **It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.**

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel according to John 11:1-45, **Glory to you O Lord**

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Children's Message

Message

Hymn of the Day/Offering: Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

Offering Response: *We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is thine alone a trust o, Lord in thee.*

Apostle's Creed

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 the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people: (Merciful God, receive our Prayer)

Lord's Prayer (spoken)

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. 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

Blessing:

May the God of hope fill us all with joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may abound in hope. Amen

Bell

Sending Hymn: How Great Thou Art

Oh Lord, my God when I, in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
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Dismissal: Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God**