



5th, Sunday in Lent
March 26th, 2023

Indigenous Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this church is situated upon traditional Indigenous territory. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

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10:00 am

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn: Lord of the Dance (RB 106)

Refrain: *Dance then wherever you may be.*

*I am the Lord of the dance, said he
I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
I will lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun;
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.
At Bethlehem I had my birth. **Refrain**

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
but they would not dance, and they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came with me, and the dance went on. **Refrain**

I danced on the Sabbath, and I cured the lame;
The holy people said it was a shame;
They whipped, and they stripped, and they hung me high,
And they left me there on a cross to die. **Refrain**

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the dance, and I still go on. **Refrain**

They cut me down and I leap up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me -
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. **Refrain**

Welcome & Announcements

Sentence: I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever lives and believes in me shall never die *John 11.*
25,26

The Greeting

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Kyrie eleison

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

All: Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.. Amen

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

1st 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, 'Prophecy 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 he 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, 'Prophecy 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’

Reader: This is the word of The Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm 130

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2nd Reading Romans 8: 6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For 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, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But 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. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If 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.

Reader: This is the Word of The Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn #631 The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy (V1, 2)

**The Holy Gospel John 11: 1-45
Glory to you Jesus Christ
(Please see insert)
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Gradual Hymn # 631 The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy (V 3 and 4)

Homily Rev Bonnie Skerritt

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Offertory Hymn # 649 Breathe on Me, Breathe of God

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer Over the gifts

Celebrant: Giver of Life, your Son has destroyed the power of death for all those that believe in him. Accept all we offer you this day and strengthen us in faith and hope; through Jesus Christ , the Lord of all the living.. Amen

Eucharistic Prayer # 1 **Page 193**

Holy, Holy, Holy **CP #735**

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Breaking of Bread #7 **Page 213**

Celebrant: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

**All: Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.**

Hymns During Communion

Hymn # 179 Tree of Life Awesome Mystery (V.1,2 & 6f)

Hymn# 638 O Holy Spirit, By Whose Breath

Hymn # 74 For the Bread

Prayer After Communion:

All: God of hope, in this eucharist we have tasted the promise of your heavenly banquet and the richness of eternal life. May we who bear witness to the death of your Son, also proclaim the glory of his resurrection, for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

Doxology and Blessing

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Recessional Hymn 454 Revive Thy Work, O Lord.

**Announcements
Book Club**



The next meeting of St Paul’s Book Club will be Tuesday April 4, 2023. The book to be discussed is Letters across the Sea by Genevieve Graham. Our meeting will take place at the home of Barb Truax 5 Sylvester Drive at 12 noon. Please sign up on the list found in the Parish Hall for the potluck lunch at the meeting.