



LENT MIDWEEK 5

MARCH 13, 2024 | 10:00 AM

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH; CONCORDIA, MO

ABOUT TODAY'S WORSHIP

Throughout 2024, our Sunday morning and special services focus on one text from each of the sixty-six books of the Bible. In doing so, we have the opportunity to look at the entire sweep of the biblical witness. The Bible is not sixty-six separate stories but one, cohesive narrative from creation to new creation, centered in Jesus our Savior. This series is created by Rev. Dr. Paul Deterding, teacher emeritus of Saint Paul Lutheran High School.

P Pastor

C Congregation/All

✙ All may make the sign of the cross to remember their baptism.

PRELUDE, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN 454 *"Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle"*

INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

2 Corinthians 6:2; Psalm 85:4 NIV; 51:11; 143:1

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

C Amen.

P Now is the time of God's favor;

C **now is the day of salvation.**

P Restore us again, God our Savior,

C **and put away your displeasure toward us.**

P Cast me not away from your presence,

C **and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**

P Hear my prayer, O LORD;

C **give ear to my pleas for mercy.**

CONFESSION OF SINS & FORGIVENESS *Mark 16:16; John 1:12*

P Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. ►**

- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. Whoever believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.
- C** Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS *Job 14:14–17; Romans 8:18–25; John 5:1–9*

After each reading:

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

SERMON HYMN 742 *“For Me to Live Is Jesus”*

SERMON *66 Texts from 66 Books: “Waiting for Renewal”*

GATHERING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

All may sign the friendship register found in each pew.

PRAYER

After each petition:

- P** ... let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT FOR LENT

- P** O Lord, throughout these forty days be with us as we follow Christ, our Lord. Open our ears to hear Your Word. Open our eyes to behold our Savior. Open our hearts to fervent faith. Open our hands to extend Your love wherever there is need. Through Him who took up His cross for us, our Savior Jesus Christ.
- C** Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

- P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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.

BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The almighty and merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN 452 *“O Perfect Life of Love”*

SENDING & POSTLUDE

P Go in peace; serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

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