

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2026

In Preparation for Worship

Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Like a beacon, You lead us to safe havens. Like a laser, You discern the thoughts of our hearts. You enlighten our darkness and clarify our confusion. You, indeed, rescue us when we are bewildered and lost. Accept now our offerings of praise and thanksgiving as we open Your Word and learn of Your ways.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude and Silent Meditation

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” (arr. Paul Kickstat)

Invocation

Words of Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call to Worship

Leader: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

People: Accept our offerings of praise, O Lord, and teach us Your ordinances.

Leader: Your decrees are our heritage forever; they are the joy of our heart.

People: We give our hearts to perform Your statutes forever.

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

*Hymn of Praise “Standing On The Promises” #838

*Prayer of Confession: Righteous Judge and Benevolent Ruler, hear us as we confess our sin. We are prone to punish those who offend us. We hasten to harm the image of those with whom we disagree. In the midst of diversity we are quick to determine who shall be saved or condemned while claiming that You alone discern all goodness and truth. Help us to hear again how Christ died to save all of humanity, and hinder our efforts to decide who will enter your kingdom.

*Assurance of Pardon

“For the wages of sin is death but the free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.”

*Gloria Patri Hymnal Page 581

Dedication

Reading of the Word: Romans 8:1-11 Page 157-158

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem “The Holy Heart” (by Anne Barbour & Marsha Skidmore; Arr. By Mary McDonald)

8:30 am

Jeff Clise

11:00 am

The Adult Choir

Supplication

Morning Prayer

Prayer Response

“I Love You, Lord” #627

Exposition

Children's Message/Kids of the Kingdom

*Hymn

“Now Thank We All Our God” #643

Preaching of the Word: “No Condemnation”

Prayer of Application

Consecration

*Hymn of Consecration

“Amazing Grace” #649

*Benediction

*Postlude

“On Our Way Rejoicing” (arr. Harold DeCou)

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Congregation will stand if able

Offering plate is at the entrance to sanctuary

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