



FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 22, 2026

10:00 am

**indicates that all who are able are invited to stand.*

Bold indicates congregational response.

Liturgist for today is Sue Bentley.

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PERSONAL MEDITATION TIME

Hand Chimes Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

O mortal, can these bones live?

Only the Lord God knows.

O people, hope in the Lord.

With the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem.

HYMN -

"O For a World"

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THE TENEBRAE

"Jesus began to weep." Justice begins in tears.
Before resurrection comes grief.

We confess how often we accept injustice as inevitable,
**how easily we turn away from suffering
that does not touch us directly.**

When we leave stones unrolled and tombs unopened—
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

(Silence)

Let us pray together.

**Loving God, as we journey through this holy
season of Lent, give us strength and courage to
make the changes that are needed in our lives.
Open our hearts and minds to your steadfast
presence, and help us to put our trust in you.
Amen.**

Song: (Chimes play through several times first)

**Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
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when you come into your kingdom.**

A WORD WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH - Dry Bones

GOSPEL - John 11:17-27

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Adult Choir

“Amazing Grace”

OLD TESTAMENT - Ezekiel 37:1-14

SERMON

Linda Dickerson

*“For the Sake of the World: The Great Ends of the Church:
The Promotion of Social Righteousness”*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*... Therefore, we join our voices with those of every time
and place, and with all creation we sing your praise, saying,*

**Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might, Heaven
and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the
highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

... we declare the mystery of faith,

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Lord’s Prayer

**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 debts as we forgive our
debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and
the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

