

March 22, 2026

5th Sunday Lent

Welcome! We are glad you came to worship with us today!
It is our prayer that you will be richly blessed as we worship.

†Denotes please stand as you are able in praise to God.

Pastoral Greeting:

Call to Worship:

L: Lazarus, though dead, was called to life by Jesus.

P: May we be called to the light of righteousness.

L: As others witnessed this resurrection, they believed in Jesus.

P: May we, who have heard, believe in the power of Jesus to conquer our fears and doubts.

L: Praise be to God who has given us Jesus.

P: Praise be to Jesus who has given us life. AMEN.

†Opening Hymn:

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” (vs 1-5,7) UMH #57

Call to Prayer of Confession:

L: God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Trusting in God’s overflowing grace, let us confess our sin.

P: God, we confess that we are frightened by death. We have experienced the loss of loved ones and have heard, all too often, of the horrible losses sustained by the young people who live in lands of warfare and strife. In this scripture today we encounter Lazarus and his family. They, too, long for Lazarus to be alive again. Jesus’ power to resurrect Lazarus confuses us. We long for that type of healing for our loved ones. And so, when their bodies cannot be healed and they die, we slip away from our faith, proclaiming that it is a nice story. Give us courage to face our fear. Give us awareness that you have offered to all those who have gone before us, a place in your kingdom. Help us move away from the prison of death to the light of eternal life and hope. In Jesus’ Name, we pray. AMEN.

Words of Assurance:

†Affirmation of Faith:

†Gloria Patri:

UMH #70

Passing the Peace of Christ:

Prayer for Illumination:

All: O Lord, we wait for you, and in your Word we trust. By the power of your Spirit, set our hearts and minds on the source of life and peace, Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Hebrew Testament: Ezekiel 37:1-14 Pew Bible Pg. 614

Hebrew Testament: Psalm 130 UMH #848

† New Testament Scripture: John 11:1-45 Pew Bible Pg. 760

Hymn of Preparation: “People Need the Lord” TFWS #2244

Message: Jay W. Brown, CLM, OSL

Special Music:

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer: (see bulletin)

Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts:

***The Doxology:** “Praise God……” UMH #95

†Closing Hymn: “I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me” TFWS #2151

Benediction and Sending Forth: “Shalom” UMH #667



Church Announcements!!!!

Weekly Church Services:

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m

Weekly Bible Study

1st and 3rd Tuesday's 7:00 p.m. at Wesley UMC

2nd and 4th Tuesday's at St. John's UMC

*(Any questions please check with either
Lettie-Jane or the Pastor)*

Church Staff:

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Administrative Chairperson: (Emeritus) Roberta Suloff

Trustees Chairperson: Robert White

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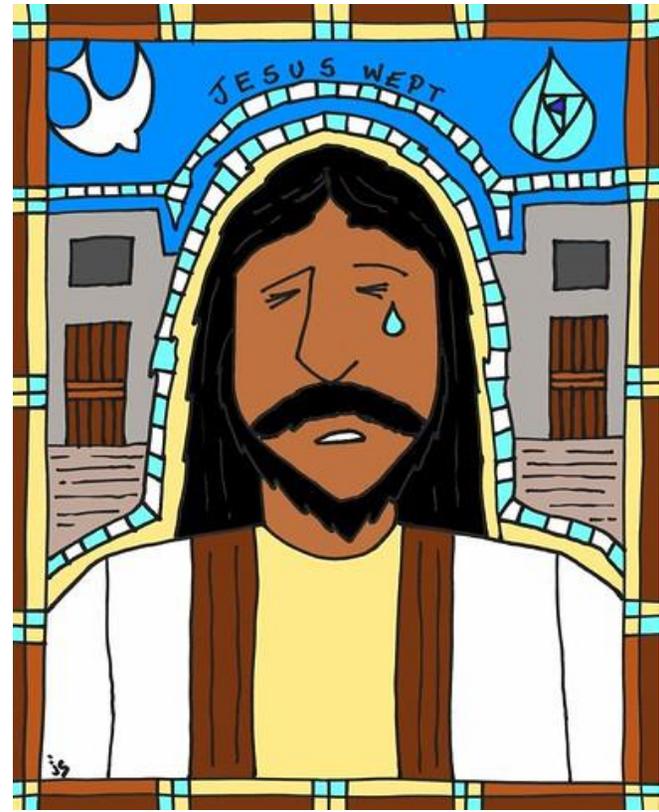
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