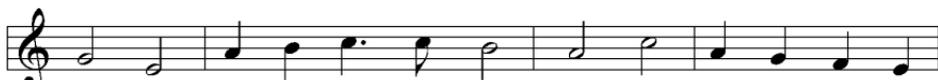


# The Fifth Sunday in Lent

## March 22, 2026

### 490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -  
2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is  
3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus  
4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall  
5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -



pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!  
giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,  
liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,  
sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell  
mor - tal; This shall calm my trem - bling breath



From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er  
Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is  
Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I  
Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will  
When I pass its gloom - y por - tal. Faith shall



scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

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### Invocation

**L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

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## Exhortation

- L** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- L** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- L** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Responsive Kyrie

- L** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** **Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## Confession of Sins

- L** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- C** **The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins in Jesus' name. Amen.**
- C** **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**
- L** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins in Jesus' name.
- C** **Amen.**

## Reflection on God's Forgiveness

*Matthew 11:28-30*

- L** [Jesus said:] "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
  - C** **Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,**
  - L** for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
  - C** **For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.**
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# Service of the Word

## Psalm

*Psalm 130; antiphon: v. 7*

- L** Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
  - C** **O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**
  - L** If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
  - C** **But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.**
  - L** I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
  - C** **my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.**
  - L** O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. <sup>8</sup>And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.
  - C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**
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<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O Lord GOD, you know.” <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, “Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon 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 the LORD.”

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’ <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

**L** This is the word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God

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<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup>For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

**L** This is the word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God

## Holy Gospel

John 11:1–45

<sup>1</sup>Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

<sup>5</sup>Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup>So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." <sup>11</sup>After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." <sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." <sup>13</sup>Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup>and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup>So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

<sup>17</sup>Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup>So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup>She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

<sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." <sup>29</sup>And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup>When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup>Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. <sup>34</sup>And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." <sup>44</sup>The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

<sup>45</sup>Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.

**L** In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

**C** But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

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# Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

## My Life Is in You

My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in You, Lord, my hope is in  
 You, Lord, in You, it's in You. My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in  
 You, Lord, my hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You. (in You.) I will  
 praise You with all of my life, I will praise You with all of my  
 strength; With all of my life, with all of my strength.  
 All of my hope is in You. (First time: Repeat entire song.) (Second time: Repeat 1/2 song.) My

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## Sermon - Pastor Jonathan Lange

### Offering

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### Prayer Response

- L** Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.



# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

**L** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**L** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**L** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**L** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

**L** Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

**C** Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna, in the highest.

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord:

Glory to You, O Lord in the highest.

## Lord's Prayer

**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.

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## The Words of Our Lord

- L** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Agnus Dei

- L** Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
**C** Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace. Amen.

## Distribution

### Keep the Feast



1. Joy - ful - ly we join You at Your ta - ble, plead - ing not our  
2. Who is fit to feast with such a Sav - ior? Who His san - dals  
3. Hap - py sign of friend - ship and re - un - ion with the bless - ed



right - eous - ness. By Your wealth of mer - cy we are a - ble  
could un - tie? Who are we that He would show us fa - vor,  
Three in One. Fore - taste of that glo - ri - ous com - mun - ion.



now to feast in con - fi - dence. Take this bread and eat.  
grant - ing us this gift of life?  
vis - ion of the world to come.



Take this cup and drink. Re - mem - ber how He loved us. Re -



joice and keep the feast.

## 650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's



realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing  
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,



O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,



ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,  
ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we  
ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -



life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.  
mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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## 634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord



1 The death of Je - sus Christ, our Lord, We cel - e -  
2 He blot - ted out with His own blood The judg - ment  
3 That this for - ev - er true shall be He gives a  
4 His Word pro - claims and we be - lieve That in this



brate with one ac - cord; It is our com - fort  
that a - gainst us stood; For us He full a -  
sol - emn guar - an - tee; In this His ho - ly  
Sup - per we re - ceive His ver - y bod - y,



in dis - tress, Our heart's sweet joy and hap - pi - ness.  
tone - ment made, And all our debt He ful - ly paid.  
Sup - per here We taste His love so sweet, so near.  
as He said, His ver - y blood for sin - ners shed.

5 We dare not ask how this can be,  
But simply hold the mystery  
And trust this word where life begins:  
"Given and shed for all your sins."

6 They who this word do not believe  
This food unworthily receive,  
Salvation here will never find—  
May we this warning keep in mind!

7 But blest is each believing guest  
Who in these promises finds rest;  
For Jesus shall in love remain  
With all who here His grace obtain.

8 Help us sincerely to believe  
That we may worthily receive  
Your Supper and in You find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.

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## The Dismissal

- L** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.
- C** Amen.

## Nunc Dimittis

- L** Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.
- C** For my eyes have seen Your salvation,  
Which You have prepared before the face of all people;  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Your people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## Call to Christian Community

- L** The apostle Paul calls us to care for each other in the difficult times and to celebrate with each other in the good times. He wrote, “If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it” (1 Cor. 12:26-27). As the body of Christ, we are called to care for one another in Christian community. Please take time after the blessing, to greet one another and introduce yourself to anyone you don’t recognize. Now receive God’s blessing.

## Benediction

- L** Let us bless the Lord
- C** Thanks be to God
- L** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.
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# Press On



1. Where two or three are gath - ered in the name of the Lord, He is  
2. Now let the Word be scat - tered like the seed on the soil. Day by  
3. And may He find us wait - ing with our lamps burn - ing still, keep - ing



here, He is here, in our midst. And we will sing to - geth - er, be re -  
day, watch it grow in His care. And may you be a shel - ter as you  
watch thru the night 'til He comes. For soon it will be morn - ing and the



newed by the Word. When we part, may we go in His peace.  
reach to the lost, glad in hope, calm in pain, true in prayer.  
sun will ap - pear. Christ who brought us this far brings us home.

## CHORUS



Press on all you saints, press on till the end.



Christ with us, ev - er with us un - til He comes a - gain.



Press on all you saints, run and run to win.



Christ with us, ev - er with us un - til He comes a - gain.

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## This Week at-a-Glance

### Today

- Worship Service (Pastor Jonathan Lange) – 9:00 AM
- [Adult Bible Study](#) – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- [Discovering Christianity](#) – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- [Sunday School](#) – 10:30 AM (Sanctuary)

### Wednesday

- [Men's Bible Study](#) – 6:30 AM (Downstairs)

### Thursday

- AA Meeting – 6:30 PM (Downstairs)

### Friday

- Sisterhood Share – 6:00 PM (Downstairs)

### Saturday

- Women's Bible Study – 10:00 AM
- AA Meeting – 1:30 PM

## Announcements

**Mark your calendars:** Please join us for the following mid-week Lenten and Easter services:

Mar 25 – Midweek Lenten Service @ 6:30 PM

Apr 2 – Holy Thursday @ 6:30 PM

Apr 3 – Good Friday @ 6:30 PM

Apr 5 – Easter Sunday @ 9:00 AM; Easter Brunch immediately following worship

The [St. James Life Team](#) invites you

- **40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil on March 28<sup>th</sup>** next to Planned Parenthood Fairview Heights. Prayer booklet provided.  
If you have questions, please contact Janice Wendel or Janice Lanto or Janice Wendel.
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**Easter Lilies** – Help Saint James’ altar look beautiful for Easter Sunday! Order your Easter lilies (\$15 can be placed in the locked box on the church office door) In Honor of, In Memory of, or In Thanksgiving for your loved one(s). We will list the donations in our Easter service bulletin. You are welcome to take the lily home after our Easter Services or leave it for the rest of the season. To order your lily, please complete the form in the narthex today.

**New! Sisterhood Share Series** We are excited to launch **Sisterhood Share**, a series where women of St. James teach skills and share talents with one another. Our kickoff class, "**Come Roll With Us**," is a fun evening of sushi and spring roll making! Rosie Ellington will guide us through rolling techniques and ingredient prep so you can recreate these favorites at home.

- **When:** Friday, March 27 | 6:00 PM
- **Where:** Church Kitchen
- **RSVP:** [Rosie Ellington Rosie@stjamesglencarbon.org](mailto:RosieEllington@stjamesglencarbon.org).



The Bible contains stories of conquest. Israel’s trek into the Promised Land resulted in death for many of the people in Canaan. Are you uncomfortable with God-commanded violence as recorded in the Old Testament? And how does that square with Jesus’ command to “love your enemies”? It’s the subject of the newest episode of **Craving Answers Craving God**.

If you have any questions or would like to share a comment, please feel free to reach out to one of our St. James Elders at [elders@saintjamesglencarbon.org](mailto:elders@saintjamesglencarbon.org). We are always glad to connect with you.

## St. James Guiding Statement

*Together we have found healing and hope in Jesus Christ and welcome others to experience these same Gospel promises.*

## St. James Mission Pillars



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