

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (*Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards will be collected during the sermon hymn.*)

**HYMN** “Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”

LSB 423

### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of God: the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

### OPENING SENTENCES

*Psalm 102:1; Psalm 118:14-18*

Pastor: Hear my prayer, O LORD;

**People: let my cry come to You!**

Pastor: The LORD is my strength and my song;

**People: He has become my salvation.**

Pastor: Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:

**People: “The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,**

Pastor: the right hand of the LORD exalts,

**People: the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!”**

Pastor: I shall not die, but I shall live,

**People: and recount the deeds of the LORD.**

Pastor: The LORD has disciplined me severely,

**People: but He has not given me over to death.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, You sent Jesus with a compassionate hand to stop death in its tracks. Bless us that we may ever hold fast to His promises for us through His death and resurrection. Help us to always remember our Baptism, where we have been united to both Christ’s death and resurrection; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**ANTHEM** (4:30pm) “Oh How He Loves You and Me,” Children’s Choir

(6:30pm) “Crown of Thorns,” Handbells

**OLD TESTAMENT** *1 Kings 17:8-24* *Elijah raises a widow’s son from the dead.* (*Holy Bible p. 379*)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Luke 7:11-17* *Jesus raises a widow’s son from the dead.* (*Holy Bible p. 1098*)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN** “O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life”

LSB 552 St. 1, 7, 8, 4 (*tune to LSB 444*)

**MESSAGE** “The Hand of the Lord Who Raises the Dead,” by Rev. Jonathon Bakker.

### CATECHETICAL TEACHING

The Ninth and Tenth Commandment

LSB 322

**HYMN** “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb”

LSB 740

### PRAYER / LORD’S PRAYER

(*see screens or back inside cover of LSB*)

### LUTHER’S EVENING PRAYER

LSB 266

**I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

### BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN** “Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious”

LSB 548

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Today, our IMPACT High School Youth will be serving  
Pulled Chicken & Mac 'N Cheese Dinner  
in the Family Life Center from 5:15-6:15pm.

Freewill Offering goes towards:  
National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, July 2025

**College Students:**  
Come and eat!  
The freewill offering is covered on your behalf.  
Thank you for joining us!

**Midweek Lent 5: April 9, 2025**

**4:30pm & 6:30pm**

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. James Kroemer

Holds All Things: John 3:11-18, 22-36

Meal Host: Elders

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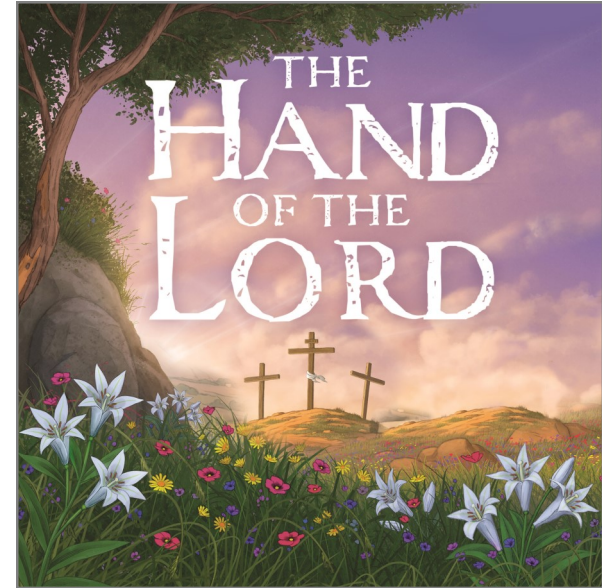
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**Lent 4**  
April 2, 2025



**As We Gather...** Sin is a matter of life and death; as we were reminded on Ash Wednesday, “remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” The ultimate punishment for sin is death. God’s ultimate salvation is, as we confess in the Nicene Creed, “the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.” In the resurrection, God has turned death from enemy into the remedy in our deliverance from sin. The risen, ascended, and reigning Lord promises to raise us daily in repentance and faith, and on the Last Day, free us from sin in eternal life in our human bodies. “For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another” (*Job 19:25–27*).

**Guest Preacher:**  
Rev. Jonathon Bakker  
Raises the Dead  
Luke 7: 11-17