



Becoming a beloved community of God where all belong.

Fifth Sunday in Lent **April 6, 2025**

Prelude: *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* | Tune: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN by Hans Leo Hassler | Arr. Michael Larkin

Opening Hymn: H-398 | *I sing the almighty power of God*

Gospel Hymn: H-425 | *Sing now with joy unto the Lord*

Offertory: *Jesu, Grant Me This, I Pray*

Jesu, grant me this, I pray, ever in Thy heart to stay:
Let me evermore abide hidden in Thy wounded side.

If the evil one prepare, or the world, a tempting snare
I am safe when I abide in Thy heart and wounded side.

If the flesh, more dangerous still, tempt my soul to deeds of ill,
Naught I fear when I abide in Thy heart and wounded side.

Death will come one day to me; Jesu, cast me not from Thee
Dying let me still abide in Thy heart and wounded side.

Communion Hymn: WLP-754 | *When from bondage we are summoned* (see handout)

Closing Hymn: H-344 | *Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing*

Postlude: *Andante Religioso (from Organ Sonata No. 4)* | Felix Mendelssohn, arr. Martha Powell Setchel

The Collect/ Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings: https://lectionarypage.net/YearC_RCL/Lent/CLent5_RCL.html

Psalm 32 - Prayed responsively by **whole verse**

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of
Zion, * then were we like those who
dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with
laughter, * and our tongue with
shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations,
*"The LORD has done great things for
them."

**4 The LORD has done great things for
us, *and we are glad indeed.**

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

**6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.**

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying
the seed, *will come again with
joy, shouldering their sheaves.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts, may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer

Send your blessing upon these your servants as they begin another year of married life together, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness, patience, wisdom, and grace, that what they have begun together they may end in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Laredo Grill to Support El Hogar – Join us tomorrow evening, April 7 at 6:00 PM for dinner at Laredo Grill, 347 Muddy Branch Road. Write “St. Nicholas” on the restaurant receipt and a portion (10%) of your purchase will be donated back to St. Nick’s for our Educational Partnership at El Hogar.

Holy Week Schedule - *Procession of the Palms & Palm Sunday*, April 13 at 10:00 AM
Tenebrae on Wednesday, April 16 at 7:30 PM

Maundy Thursday Supper & Eucharist, April 17 with Supper at 6:00 & Eucharist at 7:30 PM

Good Friday, April 18 - Stations of the Cross at Noon and Good Friday Liturgy at 7:30 PM.

Easter Egg Hunt - The Easter Bunny will hide candy filled eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt after worship on Easter Day, April 20.

Stepping Stones Shelter - St. Nicholas is scheduled to prepare and make meals for the residents of Stepping Stones Shelter in Rockville on April 23, 2025. Please let Deacon Dawn know if you would like to sign up at deacon@saintnicks.com.

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