

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lent 5

Saturday, March 25, 2023 – 5:00 PM

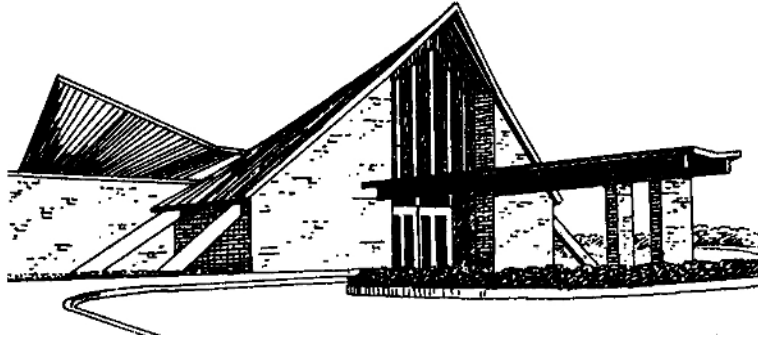
Sunday, March 26, 2023 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Communication Center at the rear of the church, to the right as you exit, and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon!
- **Children's bags** are available in the Narthex.
- **There is a prayer request book** on a podium in the Welcome Center. Please write name(s) in the book prior to the service to have names included in the prayers.
- **Large print bulletins** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Hearing devices** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **An AED machine** can be found on the wall after the Ladies Room on the left.
- **Receiving Holy Communion** - We believe the body and blood of Christ to be present in the bread and wine. All who are baptized are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward at the usher's direction. Non-communing children may come forward for a blessing. If you desire communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers so that you may receive communion there.

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The Announcements and Joys & Concerns

The Prelude 5:00 PM *The Love of God* Parks
8:00 & 10:30 AM *The Old Rugged Cross* Bennard

Please stand, as able.

The Confession and Forgiveness

P. In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

P. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C. Amen.**

Please kneel or sit. Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Most merciful God,

C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C. Amen.**

Please stand, as able.

The Penitential Hymn #803 *When I Survey the Wonderful Cross*

The Apostolic Greeting

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C. And also with you.**

The Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray. Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C. Amen.**

Please be seated.

(8:00 & 10:30 AM) Children's Message

(10:30 AM) The Youth Anthem *This Train is Bound for Glory*

The First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones is a promise that Israel as a nation, though dead in exile, will live again in their land through God's life-giving spirit. Three times Israel is assured that through this vision they will know that "I am the LORD."

¹The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.

²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.

⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on 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."

⁷So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them.

⁹Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves,

O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD.” The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

(10:30 AM) The Handbell Anthem *How Deep the Father’s Love For Us*
Townend/Bettcher

The Psalmody: Psalm 130

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

²**O LORD, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

³If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

⁴**Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.**

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

⁶**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

⁸**For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

The Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11

For Paul, Christian spirituality entails living in the reality of the Holy Spirit. The driving force behind our actions and values is not our sinful desire for self-satisfaction but the very Spirit by which God raised Jesus from the dead and will also raise us from the dead.

⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able.

The Gospel Acclamation



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Due to the length of the Gospel reading, please feel free to sit.

The Gospel: John 11:1-45

Jesus is moved to sorrow when his friend Lazarus falls ill and dies. Then, in a dramatic scene, he calls his friend out of the tomb and restores him to life.

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." ⁴But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

⁷Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" ⁹Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. ¹⁰But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." ¹¹After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." ¹²The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right."

¹³Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

¹⁷When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

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

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. The Gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Please stand, as able.

The Hymn of the Day

My Song is Love Unknown

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,

love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be.

Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?

My Lord should take frail flesh and die?

He came from his blest throne, salvation to bestow;

but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know.

But, oh, my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend;

who at my need his life did spend!

Sometimes they strew his way and his sweet praises sing;

resounding all the day hosannas to their King.

Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry,

and for his death they thirst and cry.

Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?

He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight.

Sweet injuries! Yet they at these themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise;

themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered

under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He

descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into

heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come

again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion

of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the

life everlasting. Amen

The Prayers of the Faithful (Sunday concludes with the Lord's Prayer)

The Sharing of the Peace

The Offering **8:00 & 10:30 AM**

Agnus Dei

Verdi

The Offertory



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and



take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un-to me the



joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

The Offering Prayer

P. Let us pray. God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. **C. Amen.**

(5:00 PM) The Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

P. It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(5:00 PM) The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

(5:00 PM) The Communion Song



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(5:00 PM) The Communion Distribution

The Blessing and Prayer After Communion

P. Let us pray. Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.

C. Amen.

The Benediction

The Sending Hymn #666 *What Wondrous Love Is This*

The Moment of Meditation

The Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Serve in love. **C. Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude 5:00 PM *Love Lifted Me*
8:00 & 10:30 AM *Cum Laude March*

Park
Stickles

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Service Participants

Lectors: 8:00 AM Krissy Korona; 10:30 AM Deb Mertz

Acolytes: 8:00 AM Heidi Koehl; 10:30 AM Kelsey Coppetti

Ushers: 8:00 AM Glen Nickodemus, Jen Koehl

10:30 AM Rachel Uhrinek, Paul Kanouff

Altar Guild: Nancy Basile

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are dedicated to the glory of God and in celebration: Happy Birthday Ross by Linda; in loving memory of Richard Campbell by Faye.

THE ROSE ON THE ALTAR is presented to the glory of God and in honor of Linda Boyer for her birthday by The Friday Morning Bible Study ladies.

THIS SUNDAY (March 26) IS THE FINAL DAY TO SUBMIT A PICTURE FOR THE DIRECTORY. If you are unable to send a picture, please consider having your photo taken after any worship service this weekend, by a member of the Evangelism Committee in the Welcome Center. You can email updated information and/or photos to tammyhzlc@gmail.com

LENT – A SEASON OF HOPE. This is the final weekend of the collection for the Lutheran World Relief personal care kits. Our high school and confirmation age students will assemble, pack, and ship the kits. Thank you for your overwhelming generosity!

THANK YOU FOR THE CANDY to stuff the Easter eggs. We have over 1000 eggs for the kids and plenty of candy to fill them.

THIS WEEK....

OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

SUNDAY – Lent 5

Photos for directory due

11:45 AM Passion Rehearsal

MONDAY

10:30 AM Quilting Ministry

1:00 PM Quilting Ministry

6:30 PM Property Committee

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM Newsletter mailing

5:30 PM Youth Choir

6:00 PM Bell Choir

6:45 PM Midweek Lenten service

7:30 PM Adult Choir

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

FRIDAY

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

SATURDAY – Palm Passion

8:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

8:00 AM SH Reserved for set up

SUNDAY – Palm Passion

8:15 AM Palm Sunday Breakfast

12:00 PM Easter Egg Hunt

THE FINAL MIDWEEK LENTEN SERIES will be this Wednesday, March 29, at 6:45 PM. The meditation will be about the Multitudes and Disciples who were at the cross with Jesus.

JOIN US FOR THE PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST next Sunday April 2, from 8:15-10:00 AM. Please sign-up in the Communication Center to attend and you can also note if you will be donating a breakfast casserole, pastries, donuts, etc. The Fellowship Committee will provide coffee, juice, etc..

HARROLD ZION'S ANNUAL EGGSTRAVAGANZA will be held next Sunday, April 2, at 12:00 PM. Ages 1 through 4th Grade are invited. Bring your basket, rain or shine!

JESUS JINGLERS will play at the 8:00 & 10:30 AM services on Sunday, April 16. We can't wait to hear them ring!

THE PARENT BREAKFAST GROUP will be held Sunday, April 16, at 9:15 AM. Please note change in date.

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP! If you would like to register your child(ren) to attend a week at Camp Lutherlyn, please contact Rob Hepler at 724-446-2174. Rob, his family, and Harrold Zion have been long-time supporters of kids having the opportunity to go to camp. The church contributes 50% of the cost per child. Please visit www.lutherlyn.com for more information.

HOLY WEEK AT HARROLD ZION

PALM PASSION

Saturday, April 1, 5:00 PM

Sunday, April 2, 8:00 & 10:30 AM

The reading of the Passion will take place at all services.

Communion will be offered at all services.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 6, 7:00 PM

Stripping of the Altar. Communion will be offered.

First Holy Communion.

GOOD FRIDAY

April 7, 7:00 PM

No 5:00 PM Saturday, April 8 worship

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Sunday, April 9

7:00 AM, 8:45 AM, 10:30 AM

We will celebrate Easter with special music.

Communion will be offered at all services.

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: April 1 & 2

First lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalmody: Psalm 31:9-16

Second Lesson: Phillipians 2:5-11

Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Irwin Male Chorus – April 23, 7:00 PM
- Spring VBS – April 29, 1:00 PM
- Summer VBS – June 12-16

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP:

Altar Flowers – April 23, 30 (2 vases)

Bulletin – April 9,23,30; Eternal candle – April 16, 23, 30

Reminder: Rose = \$5, Bulletin = \$10, Candle = \$5, Altar Flowers = \$25/vase

To sponsor items, please sign up in the Communication Center.

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*To Worship and Serve God,
Grow Disciples and Love our Neighbors*