

5th Sunday in Lent Worship Outline

March 29, 2020

INVOCATION

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Lord Jesus, You have called us to carry our cross and follow You. However, we know that we often choose to take the easy and comfortable road instead. We indeed confess to You today that we have been unresponsive to Your calling and have not always said what You call us to say, done what You have called us to do, thought the way You call us to think. Instead, we have set down our cross and pursued worldly comfort and behavior. Jesus forgive us, renew us, and fill us so that we, as Your beloved children may walk in Your ways once again.

Silence for reflection

Pastor: While we have failed to faithfully carry our cross, Jesus did not fail carrying His cross on our behalf. He walked the road fulfilling all the Father set before Him to do, carrying the burden even to the point of death on the cross. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of the Lord I announce to you today the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PSALM 44:1-8

¹We have heard it with our ears, O God;

our ancestors have told us

what you did in their days,

in days long ago.

²With your hand you drove out the nations

and planted our ancestors;

you crushed the peoples

and made our ancestors flourish.

³It was not by their sword that they won the land,

nor did their arm bring them victory;

it was your right hand, your arm,

and the light of your face, for you loved them.

⁴You are my King and my God,

who decrees victories for Jacob.

⁵Through you we push back our enemies;

through your name we trample our foes.

⁶I put no trust in my bow,

my sword does not bring me victory;

⁷but you give us victory over our enemies,

you put our adversaries to shame.

⁸In God we make our boast all day long,

and we will praise your name forever.

APOSTLES CREED

**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.**

SERMON

Matthew 20:17-19

¹⁷ And as Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside, and on the way he said to them, ¹⁸ “See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death ¹⁹ and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day.”

PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**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.**

BENEDICTION