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**Fifth Sunday in Lent — March 13, 2016**

**LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship      WOV—With One Voice**

**\* Please stand as you are able**

*(Please turn to page 7 for the 10:30 service)*

**8:00 a.m. Service**

**PRELUDE**    *A Joyful Jig*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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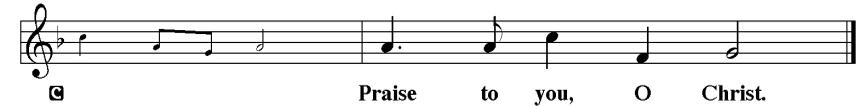


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**SERMON**

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**\* APOSTLES' CREED**

**C 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**

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS** *How Firm a Foundation* -Emanubells

**OFFERTORY** (please remain seated)

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  
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**\* HYMN LBW # 263** *Abide with us, our Savior*

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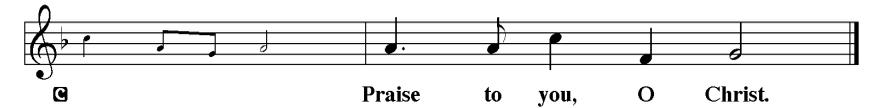


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**\* PEACE** (*please stand*)

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**TITHES & OFFERINGS** *Breathe* -Choir

**\* OFFERTORY**

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**\* OFFERING PRAYER**

A God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**\* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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## HOLY COMMUNION

*I Could Sing of Your Love Forever* -Morgan Ashbaugh

*O Lord of Hosts* -Choir

### \* BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen**

### \* POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

O Jesus, blessed Lord, to you  
My heartfelt thanks and praise are due,  
You have so lovingly bestowed  
On me your body and your blood.

Break forth, my soul, in joy and say:  
What wealth has come to me today!  
My Savior dwells within my soul  
And makes my wounded spirit whole!

### \* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A O God, we thank you for gathering and feeding us as a mother hen embraces her young. Release us now to go on our way in these forty days, ready to see our work as prayer, ready to fast from complacency, and ready to share with those in need; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

### \* BENEDICTION

\* **HYMN LBW # 263** *Abide with Us, Our Savior*

### \* DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** Postlude on *Irish*

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### Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Brian & Dea Plummer in honor of Deb Graver.

### Funeral

Lorna Bostelman passed from this life on Tuesday night. Please remember her family in your prayers.

### Caring Corner for March — Food Pantry at Parkside Church in Deshler

*canned soups* – especially Chicken & Noodle, Chicken & Rice, Chunky soups

*cereal* – especially “kid-friendly” ones

*canned fruit* – preferably in juice, not syrup; “kid-friendly”, such as peaches and pears or applesauce  
*peanut butter*

### Easter flowers

The deadline to order your Easter plant is TODAY!!!

### Volunteers needed!!!

We need readers and sound board operators for APRIL!! Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or talk to Peggy Snyder or Holly Mohring. Thank you for your willingness to help!

### Statistics

3/02 Lent (72) Offerings \$616.00

3/06 111+88 (199) communed 98 Offerings \$8,067.00 (\$915 Bldg Fd; \$60 Wrld Hngr; \$14.75 Sun Sch; \$20 After Sch Cl; \$1,000 mem-A.Prigge)

2/29-3/06 Simply Giving \$865 Gen; \$220 Bldg Fd

### Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. Lutheran Home of Mercy and Filling Homes ask you to join them during this month and take time to get to know someone with a disability. You'll see that everyone has a story to tell!

### **This Week**

Today 2:00 p.m. Dartball Tournament at Trinity, Wauseon  
Monday 9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle  
Wednesday 3:15 p.m. After School Club  
5:00 p.m. Soul Food  
5:30 p.m. Emanubells  
6:15 p.m. Choir in basement  
7:00 p.m. Worship  
8:00 p.m. Living Spirit  
Thursday 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

### **Soup and Pie Luncheon** — Sunday, March 13, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The Lutheran Home at Napoleon Auxiliary and Thrivent Action Team is sponsoring a Soup & Pie Luncheon in the Alpine Village Dining Room. Menu: Vegetable Soup, Chili, Hot Chicken Sandwich, Hot Dog, Assorted Pies. A free will offering will be taken. Proceeds will benefit the residents of Lutheran Home at Napoleon.

### **Free seminar**

Lutheran Home at Napoleon invites you to attend a free seminar on “Diabetes: Basics and Beyond”, presented by Brianna Fisher, RN, on Thursday, March 17 at the Lutheran Home Chapel at 4:00 p.m. Please RSVP by March 14 at 419-592-1688 or email [Kwallace@LHSOH.org](mailto:Kwallace@LHSOH.org).

### **Serving Today**

Pastor James L. Castello  
Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes  
Bell Choir Director - Bill Panning  
Readers - 8:00 Alexandra Reynolds 10:30 Ron Meyers  
Sound Board - 8:00 Alexandria Biederstedt 10:30 Ryan Kohout  
Acolytes - 8:00 Tyson Reynolds & Jessica Yunker  
10:30 Carter Burken & Elijah Wolf  
Ushers - 8:00 Dave Schwab, Bryce Reynolds, Casey Callaway, Shelly Storch  
10:30 Ken Lange, Kurt Rohrs, Alan Storch, Jeff Mires  
Altar Guild - Joleen Brubaker & Lauren Helberg  
Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or [cjcast@yahoo.com](mailto:cjcast@yahoo.com)