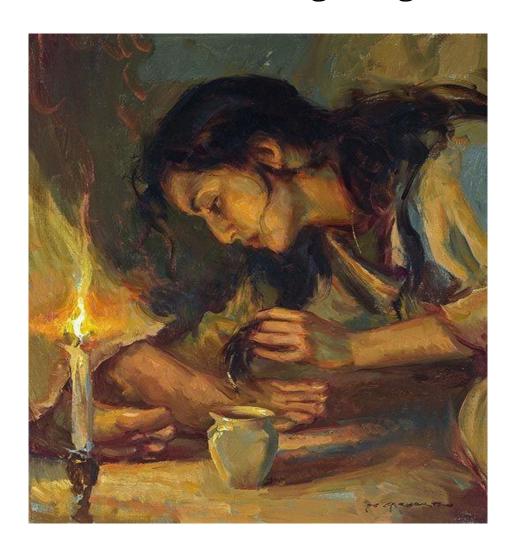
Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 3, 2022 – 10 am The Pavilion, Barnegat Light, NJ



Welcome & Announcement

Soup Supper - Tuesdays @ 5pm on Zoom

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.**

We pause to once again accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior who comes to set us free from our sins. (Silence is kept for reflection.)

Lord Jesus Christ,

we confess that we have wandered far from you: Have mercy on us!

Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, help us to love our neighbor as ourselves. Amen.

My friends, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In \pm Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. Be at peace! **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

2 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my burden gladly bearing he bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" Ref.

I LOVE YOU LORD (I Praise, thank, worship)

I love You, Lord. And I lift my voice

To worship You. O my soul, rejoice!

Take joy, My King, in what You hear,

Let it be a sweet, sweet sound. In Your ear. (repeat)

Prayer of the Day

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. *Open our* hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GOD'S HOLY WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21 ¹⁶Thus says the Lord,

who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,

¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse,

army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,

they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

¹⁸Do not remember the former things,

or consider the things of old.

¹⁹I am about to do a new thing;

now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness

and rivers in the desert.

20The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches;



for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself

so that they might declare my praise.

The Word of the Lord...**Thanks be** to God!

Psalm: Psalm 126

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

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

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

³The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

⁴Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negeb.

⁵Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

⁶Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 12:1-8 – **Glory to You, O Lord!**

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ¬Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." The Gospel of the Lord...**Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!**

REFLECTIONS

Prayers of Intercession

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.

Blessing - Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation May our Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring, + bless you, unbind you, and send you in love and in peace. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn:



Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839–1929 Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter. 1858–1924

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love and Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God



April 10th - Palm Sunday – 10am **-** Firemen's Hall, 10th and Central Ave in Barnegat Light. Procession of the Palms, the Passion and Holy Communion -Making Palm Crosses after Worship – at Zion.

April 14th - Maundy Thursday -7pm Service of Holy Communion at St. Peter's Episcopal Church of the Light.

April 15th – Good Friday – noon – A Service of the reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Prayers for the city and the world.

April 17^{th -} Easter Sunday – 7am –Sunrise Service at the Light House! We have missed it for the last two years because of COVID! 10am – Easter Celebration of Baptism & Holy Communion. Zion's Parking Lot, bring a chair and a neighbor!

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