

We welcome you this morning!
If you are visiting, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us today.

Officiant Rev Chris McCann

April 7, 2019

Opening Hymn *I sing the almighty power of God* Hymn #398

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins
People: His mercy endures for ever.

Penitential Rite BCP p. 352

Kyrie Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

Collect

Readings may be found on pages 5 and following.

(Please sit for the readings)

First Reading Book of Isaiah 43:16–21

Psalm 126

Second Reading Letter of Paul to the Philippians 3:4b–14

Gospel Acclamation



The Holy Gospel John 12:1–8

Sermon

Rev Chris McCann

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Offertory Hymn *When I survey the wondrous cross*

Hymn #150

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Church Financial Income Information			
Week of 03/31/19		Year To Date	Budget
Pledges/Non Pledge	\$525	\$39,895	\$107,500
Loose Plate	\$1	\$275	
Coffee & Hospitality	\$6		
Discretionary	\$30		
Easter Flowers	\$68		
Attendance	30 people		

Save the Date!!

Need volunteers to do spring yard cleanup on Sat April 13th from 9a – 11am. Bring your yard cleaning tools!!!

**INVITATION: A LENTEN JOURNEY,
FROM ALONENESS TO COMMUNITY.**



Please join us at St Luke for the Wednesday evening Lenten program. Beginning at 6 pm with a soup supper. We will consider the theme of invitation. Using the words of Jesus from the

cross, we consider the epidemic of loneliness and isolation in our culture, and discern a Christian response that creates community and healing.

Material and resources will be made available on the foyer table for each week, along with an encouragement to take advantage by way of new media of blogs and broadcasts available on BBC Radio 4, to explore the way others are talking about themes such as forgiveness, service, hope, family, trust and empathy.

April 10: Invitation to Trust.

April 17: Invitation to Empathy.

Blogs and other resources available on BBC Radio 4

All evenings beginning at 6 pm.

Please remember these people in your prayers during the week.

For peace in the world: for all refugees and especially those who experience persecution.

Pray for the Diocese: In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for the Northeast Mission Area.

Parish Families: Chris & Michele May Family, Bob & Judy May, Rev Chris McCann & Dr Greg Videtic

Parish Intercession/Prayer List: for all those whom we now remember. Gideon, Gay, Jeannette, Cathy, George, Paul, Helen, Tate, Chad, Frances, Vince

For the Faithful Departed:

Today's Readings

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

The Collect & Scripture Readings for The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Collect

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.*

First Reading

Book of Isaiah 43:16–21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished,

quenched like a wick: “Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I 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. The 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, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.” *The Word of the Lord.*

Psalm

126

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.

Second Reading

Letter of Paul to the Philippians 3:4b–14

I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing

Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. *The Word of the Lord*

Gospel

John 12:1–8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary 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. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, “Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?” (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. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.” *The Gospel of the Lord.*