

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT APRIL 7, 2019

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Gathering Music & Prelude “The Old Rugged Cross”
Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Welcome, Announcements, & Greeting Time Brice Smith

*Opening Song 56 “Sing Praise to God” *Mit Frueden Zart*

*Call to Worship *A Joyful Harvest*

Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old.

For the Lord is about to do a new thing!

Now it springs forth. Do you not perceive it?

The Lord has prepared a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert to give us a drink.

Declare God’s praise, O people! Honor the Lord, with every living thing!

We thank you, mighty God! We declare your praise.

Timothy Matthew Slemmons, “The Joyful Feast: Liturgical Elements for Reformed Worship, Year C,” Cascade: Eugene, ©2014. Used with permission.

*Opening Prayer

Song of Faith 255 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 43:16-21

Apostolic Reading Philippians 3:4b-14

*Gospel Reading John 12:1-8

*Responsorial 261 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Remember Membership Renewal Ceremony

Pastor: We rejoice to recognize the anniversary of persons joining this congregation and celebrate with them the recommitment of their prayers, presence, gifts, and service in the ministry of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

***Congregation:** (Standing) **We pledge to work by your side as members of the body of Christ, in the ministry of love and service to all the world.**

Invitation to Give and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

Children’s Message (2nd Grade and younger to Junior Church)

The Message: “Everyday Spirituality: Saying, ‘No!’”
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

The Prayers of God’s People & Lord’s Prayer (debts /debtors)

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Invitation to the Lord’s Table – West Side Baptist Church practices *open communion*. All persons who profess faith in Jesus Christ and has been baptized are invited to partake of this memorial meal. You do not need to be a member of this church to partake of the bread and cup. In solidarity with our brothers and sisters, we only serve nonalcoholic grape juice. Please hold each element until everyone is served, then we will feast together.

†Servers Prepare for the Table of the Lord

Right Hand of Fellowship

Song 690 “We Remember You” *Eucharist*

The Ordinance of the Lord’s Supper (Holy Communion)
The Body of Christ – The Bread of Heaven
The Blood of Christ – The Cup of Salvation

The Agape Fund - The Collection for the Saints and the Needy

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***Invitation to Faith and Fellowship** – If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God’s forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to follow Christ in the waters of baptism, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

***Closing Song** “More Love to Thee, O Christ”

***Spoken Benediction**

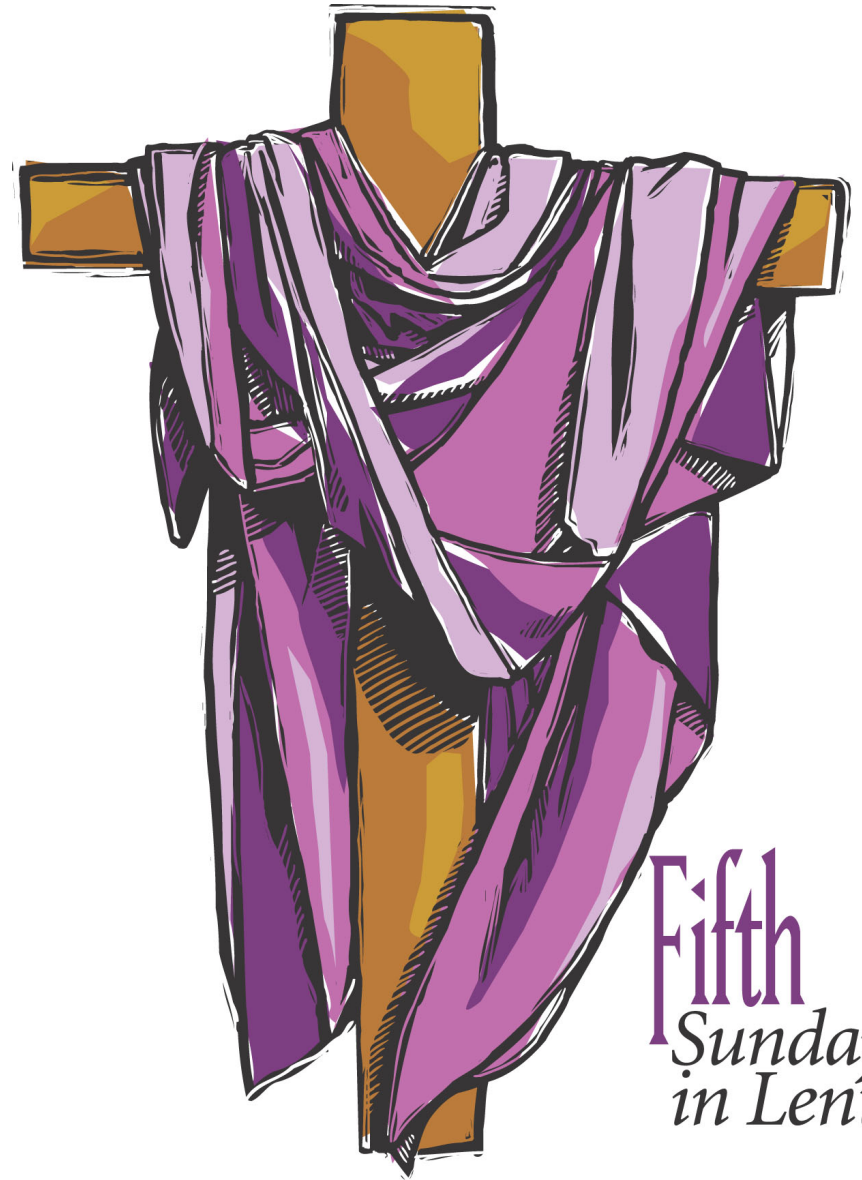
***Postlude**

**Please stand if able*

THE LORD’S SUPPER – West Side Baptist Church celebrates the Lord’s Supper (Holy Communion) on the first Sunday of each month. We practice “open communion” which means the Table of the Lord is open to all baptized Christians regardless of age or religious affiliation. In solidarity with our brothers and sisters, we use only non-alcoholic grape juice. Please hold each element until everyone is served, then we will feast together.

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