

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY

Rev. Lester Wolfgram, Pastor

Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor

Fifth Sunday In Lent

March 21, 2021

Divine Service	Setting Three	LSB 184
Opening Hymn:	“In The Cross Of Christ I Glory”	LSB 427
Hymn of The Day:	“My Song Is Love Unknown”	LSB 324
Distribution:	“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”	LSB 633
	“Lord Jesus Christ You Have Prepared”	LSB 622
Closing Hymn:	"God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"	LSB 594

WELCOME!! We are glad that you have joined us this morning as we lift up our hearts and voices in response to God’s great gift of forgiveness and life in Christ Jesus. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Pastor Les Wolfgram and Pastor Justin Woodside.

AT SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH we celebrate the Lord’s Supper in the confidence that we receive, along with the bread and wine, our Savior’s true body and blood “through and in which we obtain the forgiveness of sins.” Besides individually receiving Christ’s free gift of forgiveness in this sacrament, all those who commune make a confession of the faith that we believe and teach in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. To commune at this altar is to accept the doctrinal position of this congregation. Because of that common confession, we invite those who are members at sister Missouri Synod Churches to join us at the Lord’s Table. If you would like more information on our understanding of the Lord’s Supper, please visit with Pastor Wolfgram or Pastor Woodside.

THE LORD OF LIFE CONTINUES TO be in control of our lives at all times and especially now in the midst of the uncertainty we’ve experienced this past year and continue to experience. Shepherd of the Valley will once again be conducting a “Good Friday Prayer Vigil” starting at 8:00 pm on Good Friday and ending at 8:00 am Saturday morning. The Prayer Vigil consists of one-hour time slots whereby one or more persons will be in prayer in the quiet of the sanctuary each hour. There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary along with Prayer Request cards that can be used to submit your prayer requests. You can also sign up online on Shepherd of the Valley’s website at <https://sotv-bis.org/good-friday-prayer-vigil/> . Prayer requests can also be submitted online at <https://sotv-bis.org/schedule/pray-for/#prayer>

Introit *Psalm 116:1–4, 8; antiphon: Psalm 43:1*
Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly
| people,*

from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!
I love the LORD, because | he has heard*
my voice and my pleas for | mercy.
Because he inclined his | ear to me,*
therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.
The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid
| hold on me;*
I suffered distress and | anguish.
Then I called on the name | of the LORD:*
“O LORD, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!”
For you have delivered my | soul from death,*
my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling.
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**
Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly
| people,*
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And with thy spirit.**

- P Let us pray.
Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon
Your people that we may be governed and preserved
evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son,
our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

- C **Amen.**