

# 5th Sunday in Lent

March 29th, 2020

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**My Hope is Built on Nothing Less**

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**LSB 752**

**Be Still, My Soul**

# Psalm

**Psalm 116:1-4,8 (ESV)**

Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his saints.

1. love the Lord, because he has heard  
my voice and my pleas for mercy.
- 2 Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
3. The snares of death encompassed me;  
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;  
I suffered distress and anguish.
- 4 . Then I called on the name of the Lord:  
“O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!”
- 8 . 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 beginning,  
is now and will be forever. Amen**

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# Scripture Readings

## Old Testament Reading

### Ezekiel 37:1-14 (ESV)

37 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; [a] it was full of bones. 2 And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. 3 And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath [b] to enter you, and you shall live. 6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord."

7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, [c] and the bones came together, bone to its bone.

8 And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them.

9 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

11 Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' 12 Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel.

13 And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. 14 And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

## Epistle Reading

### Romans 8:1-11 (ESV)

Life in the Spirit

8 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. [a] 2 For the law of the Spirit of life has set you [b] free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. 3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, [c] he condemned sin in the flesh, 4 in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. 6 For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7 For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. 8 Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

9 You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10 But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus [d] from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

## New Testament Reading:

### John 11:1-53 (ESV)

#### The Death of Lazarus

11 Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. 2 It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. 3 So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." 4 But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

5 Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. 6 So, when he heard that Lazarus[a] was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. 7 Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." 8 The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" 9 Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. 10 But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." 11 After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." 12 The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." 13 Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. 14 Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, 15 and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." 16 So Thomas, called the Twin,[b] said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

#### I Am the Resurrection and the Life

17 Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. 18 Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles[c] off, 19 and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. 20 So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. 21 Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life.[d] Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he

live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" 27 She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

#### Jesus Weeps

28 When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." 29 And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. 30 Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. 31 When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. 32 Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." 33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved[e] in his spirit and greatly troubled. 34 And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." 35 Jesus wept. 36 So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

#### Jesus Raises Lazarus

38 Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. 39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" 41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." 43 When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." 44 The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

#### The Plot to Kill Jesus

45 Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him,

# Words for Hymns

## LSB 575

### My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

1.  
My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
No merit of my own I claim  
But wholly lean on Jesus name.  
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

2.  
When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil.  
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

3.  
His oath, His covenant and blood  
Support me in the raging flood;  
When every earthly prop gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.  
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

4.  
When He shall come with trumpet sound.  
Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
Clothed in His righteousness alone,  
Redeemed to stand before His Throne.  
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

## LSB 430

### My Song is Love Unknown

1.  
My song is love unknown,  
My Savior's love to me,  
Love to the loveless shown  
That they might lovely be.  
Oh, who am I That for my sake  
My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?

2.  
He came from His blest throne  
Salvation to bestow;  
But men made strange, and none  
The longed for Christ would know.  
But, oh, my friend, My friend indeed,  
Who at my need His life did spend?

3.  
Sometimes they strew His way  
And His sweet praises sing;  
Resounding all the day  
Hosannas to their King.  
Then "Crucify!" Is all their breath,  
And for His death  
They thirst and cry.

4.  
Why what hath My Lord done?  
What makes this rage and spite?  
He made the lame to run,  
He gave the blind their sight.  
Sweet injuries!  
Yet they at these Themselves displease  
And 'gainst Him rise.

*(LSB 752 My Song is Love Unknown - continued)*

5.  
They rise and needs will have  
My dear Lord made away;  
A murderer they save,  
The Prince of life they slay.  
Yet cheerful He To suffering goes  
That He His foes  
From thence might free.

6.  
In life no house, no home  
My Lord on earth might have;  
In death no friendly tomb  
But what a stranger gave.  
What may I say?  
Heav'n was His home  
But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.

7.  
Here might I stay and sing,  
No story so divine!  
Never was love, dear King,  
Never was grief like Thine.  
This is my friend,  
In whose sweet praise  
I all my days Could gladly spend!

## **LSB 752** **Be Still, My Soul**

1.  
Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to your God to order and provide;  
In every change He faithful will remain  
Be still, my soul;  
your best your heavenly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

2.  
Be still, my soul; your God will undertake  
To guide the future as He has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence  
let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the wave and winds still  
know His voice who ruled them  
while He dwelt below.

3.  
Be still, my soul;  
though dearest friends depart  
And all is darkened in this vale of tears;  
Then you will better know His love,  
His heart, Who comes to soothe your  
sorrows and your fears.  
Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay  
From His own fullness all He takes away.

4.  
Be still, my soul; the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord,  
When disappointment,  
grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul;  
when change and tears are past.  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.