**Incarnation Family Worship**

**March 29, 2020**

Welcome to worship this Sunday morning! We are saddened that we cannot yet gather as the body of Christ to share together in Word and Sacrament, but we are thankful that we can, through social media, worship separately together.  You are invited to follow the worship bulletin designed for family use.  You are invited to find a way to make your offering to God and send it to the church office so that the ministry of Incarnation may continue. Additionally, there are some reflection questions for you as a family to discuss following worship, and I’m sure Patrick would encourage you to sing a hymn or two.

**GREETING**

L: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**F: Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L:Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**READINGS**

### **First Reading:** Ezekiel 37:1-14

1The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. 3He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” 4Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. 5Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 6I will lay sinews on 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.”  
  7So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. 8I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. 9Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” 10I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.  
  11Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ 12Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. 13And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. 14I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”

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

### **Psalm 130**

1Out of the depths  
  I cry to you, O Lord;  
 2**O Lord, hear my voice!**  
  **Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**  
 3If you were to keep watch over sins,  
  O Lord, who could stand?  
 4**Yet with you is forgiveness,**  
  **in order that you may be feared.**  
 5I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits;  
  in your word is my hope.  
 6**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,**  
  **more than those who keep watch for the morning.**  
 7O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love;  
  with the Lord there is plenteous redemption.  
 8**For the Lord shall redeem Israel**  
  **from all their sins.**

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:6-11

6To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law—indeed it cannot, 8and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.  
  9But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

**Gospel Reading: John 11:1-45**

*Our Gospel has been pre-recorded by the Sowell Family, we ask that*

**SERMON**

**SERMON REFLECTION**

1.  What part of the sermon best speaks to you this day?  
 **2**   Did you hear something new?  something familiar?   
 **3**.  Did the sermon provoke a question or concern?

**THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**FAMILY PRAYERS** *All family members are encouraged to offer prayer petitions at this time.*

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

**OFFERING**

*So that the various ministries of the congregation may continue, please take a moment to place your weekly offering in a basket and then mail to the church or give your weekly offering online at this time.*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**All:** We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**BLESSING**

L: Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever.

**F: Amen**

**DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace, share the good news.

*Family may share the Peace of Christ with one another as worship ends.*