



Sunday, April 6, 2025
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
We Prepare for Worship

Praise Band

Preparing our Hearts

"Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand."
Isaiah 41:10

Prelude *Voluntary on "Olivet" (My Faith looks up to Thee)*
arr. Gordon Young

*Processional Hymn: *Praise to the Lord the Almighty* #321

Welcome and Community Life News

Fifth Sunday in Lent Liturgy (see insert)

We Worship God

The Call to Worship Arshida Tagazede

L.: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

P.: The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

L.: Lift up your eyes to the Lord, for the Lord is our hope and our strength.

P.: Let us come to God who is our refuge and our shield.

L.: Worship the Lord. Seek God's face and find peace.

P.: Let us rejoice in the presence of the Lord, for He is our God.

P.: Let us worship God!

Introit: *Remember not, O God, the sins of long ago*
Music from Daman's Psalter 1579

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (*debts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Praise Time **You Are My All In All**

You are my strength when I am weak

You are the treasure that I seek

You are my all in all

Seeking You as a precious jew'l

Lord, to give up I'd be a fool

You are my all in all

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name

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INSTRUMENTAL

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame

Rising again I bless Your name

You are my all in all

When I fall down, You pick me up

When I am dry, You fill my cup

You are my all in all

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REPEAT CHORUS 3X

Words and music by Dennis Jernigan CCLI License # 993446

We Listen for God's Word

The Youth Choir

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

Heather-Ann Lowry

Scripture Readings:

Responsive Reading – Psalm 46

Zhenyi Li

¹ *God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.*

² *Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,*

³ *though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.*

⁴ *There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.*

⁵ *God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.*

⁶ *The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice; the earth melts.*

⁷ *The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.*

⁸ *Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.*

⁹ *He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.*

¹⁰ *"Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations;
I am exalted in the earth."*

**11 The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

Old Testament: Isaiah 43:1-3

OT p.672

#830

New Testament: 1 John 4:7-21

NT p.241

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Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: *My Jesus, I love Thee* Adoniram J. Gordon; arr. Gary Lamier

Sermon Learning not to be Afraid

Rev. Dr. Heather Vais

Hymn: *Be Not Afraid*

Bob Dufford, SJ

Soloist:

Alia Rose Ginevra

You shall cross the barren desert
But you shall not die of thirst
You shall wander far in safety
Though you do not know the way
You shall speak your words to foreign men
And they will understand
You shall see the face of God and live

All: **Be not afraid**

I go before you always

Come, follow me and I will give you rest

Soloist: If you pass through raging waters in the sea
You shall not drown
If you walk amid the burning flames
You shall not be harmed
If you stand before the power of hell
And death is at your side
Know that I am with you through it all

All: **Be not afraid**

I go before you always

Come, follow me and I will give you rest

Soloist: And blessed are your poor
For the kingdom shall be theirs
Blest are you that weep and mourn
For one day you shall laugh
And if wicked men insult and hate you
All because of me
Blessed, blessed are you

All: **Be not afraid**

I go before you always

Come, follow me and I will give you rest

We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

*Doxology

*Dedication of Offering

*Recessional Hymn: *Great is thy faithfulness*

We are Sent out as God's People

*Charge and Benediction

*Musical Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe,
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

Postlude *Chant Donné*

Maurice Duruflé

*if you are able, please stand

Welcome

We welcome everyone who is worshiping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card.

**** We welcome all children in worship. If you need to take a child out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in the lobby.**

All children age 5 and under are welcome to remain in worship or go with a parent or guardian to our pre-school and nursery room in the Christian Education Wing. Please speak to an usher for assistance.



Sunday School Today

A one-room Sunday School class is available for our junior youth today after Praise Time.

All children grades 1-6 are welcome.

Attention Members of Session

An **Elder Training Workshop** will be held on Saturday, April 12, from 9:00 AM to noon. Refreshments 9:00-9:30. Meeting starts at 9:30 sharp. **Attendance for all is requested.**

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Calling All Men!

We need your help at our Good Friday breakfast!



As usual, the men of our congregation prepare and serve a many-course delectable meal on **Friday, April 18th**.

This year it is being organized by Abel Pandy and Bob Gargano.

Men, this is your chance to step up to the plate and demonstrate your culinary skills.

Please see Abel or Bob to discuss more details.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Monday Evenings

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

March 17, 2025 – April 10, 2025

Dessert will be Served!

Walking with Jesus through Lent

The Open Door Newsletter

The deadline for the Easter Edition is **Friday, April 14, 2025**. Please send your submissions to garth.low@garthlow.com.



Thornhill Ministerial Lenten Series 2025

One Body, Many Parts

Today - 4:00 p.m.

The Work of the Body

St. Luke's Roman Catholic Church - 39 Green Lane

UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 6, 2025

9:40 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

10:20 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

Monday, April 7, 2025

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 10, 2025

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 12, 2025

9:00 p.m.-12:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 13, 2025

9:40 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

10:20 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Children's Choir – Chapel

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Worship Service

ESL – Chapel

Lenten series (St. Luke's Catholic)

Lenten Bible Study and dessert

ESL Class

Session meeting (Zoom)

Cards & Cookies Fellowship Hall

Chancel Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Elder Training Workshop

Drawing Class

Children's Choir – Chapel

Chancel Choir

Worship

Join us for **Cards & Cookies**

in the Fellowship Hall,

hosted by the Mission & Outreach Committee!



April 10 and April 24

from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Come alone or bring a friend—everyone's welcome!

Sign-up in the lobby or contact Lorraine at (905) 737-0735.