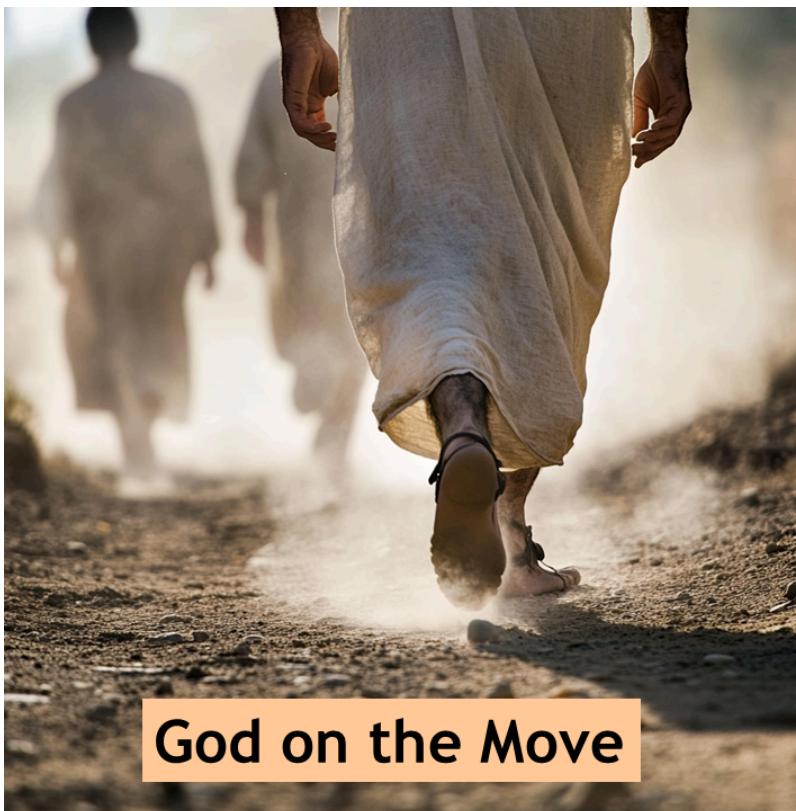


# April 6, 2025

# 5th Sunday of Lent



**God on the Move**

**God Moves Us ...  
to Empty Ourselves**

**John 12:1-8 | April 6, 2025**

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Josiah & Joseph Bricker, Acolytes

## We Gather

### Announcements

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

### Storer Memorial Carillon

**Prelude** Wondrous Love, by Rebecca Groom Te Velde Jenny Donnelly, organ

**\*Processional Hymn** Fairest Lord Jesus Hymn #189

**\*Call to Worship** Brian Wolfe

Leader: God makes a way in the desert.

All: **We will journey forward with Christ.**

Leader: God promises new life in the face of death.

All: **We will journey forward with Christ.**

Leader: God restores hope for those in despair.

All: **We will journey forward with Christ.**

Leader: Come, let us journey in worship together.

All: **Let us worship God, who leads us through death into life.**

### \*Welcome & Greeting

### \*Passing of the Peace

## We Proclaim

### Children's Moment

Children are invited forward for a lesson with Pastor Teri. After the children's moment, the children are invited to return to their families to participate in Communion.

**Anthem** Where True Charity and Love Dwell, by Kaye Saunders Sanctuary Choir

**Prayer for Illumination** Connie Crabtree

**\*Gospel Reading** Connie Crabtree

John 13:1-8 (NRSV)

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?"

\*Indicates congregation to stand in body or spirit.

(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, “Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”

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Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** God on the Move: God Moves Us ... to Empty Ourselves

### WE RESPOND

#### Call to the Giving Life

**Offertory** None Other Lamb, by Crawford R. Thoburn Choral Scholars

**\*Doxology** Hymn #95

#### \*Offertory Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Prayer Concerns & Community Life** Brian Wolfe

Prayer concerns and celebrations may be submitted to [info@munciehighstreet.com](mailto:info@munciehighstreet.com); they will be prayed for by the prayer team and staff.

#### Congregational Call to Prayer

O Lord, Hear My Prayer  
O Lord, hear my prayer. (repeat)  
When I call, answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer. (repeat)  
Come and listen to me.

#### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession

**All: Walk with us, Spirit of Christ, on this Lenten journey. Show us what to bring and what to leave behind. Give us the courage to leave the past behind, that we may see the new things that lie ahead. Then let us pick up our very best gifts to give them to others in your name, that our lives may be complete and our hearts may be made whole. We pray in the spirit and joy of Jesus Christ, our loving Savior, Amen.**

#### Brief Time of Silent Prayer

## Words of Assurance

Leader: As God's beloved children, forgiven and free, we are blessed to give our best gifts in God's name.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

Rev. Teri Crouse

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, ...

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. ...

... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, ...

... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Hymn #895

**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. Amen.**

## Sharing of Bread & Cup

### Communion

#### Prayer after Communion

**All: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## WE ARE SENT FORTH

**\*Closing Hymn**

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Hymn #175

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**Choral Benediction**

*In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful*

**Postlude**

*The Head That Once was Crowned with Thorns*, arr. Raymond H. Haan

Jenny Donnelly, organ



**Sunday, April 13 – Palm Sunday (with Palm Parade)**

**Thursday, April 17 – Maundy Thursday (at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church)**  
**Pastor Teri preaching**

**Friday, April 18 – Good Friday (at High Street UMC)**  
**Pastor Jerry O'Neal preaching**

**Sunday, April 20 – Easter! with Orchestra Sunday**

**Thank you for worshipping with us!**

## Church Announcements

**Announcements**—They must be submitted by noon on Wednesday before Sunday service.

**Easter Lily Donations** - If you would like to sponsor an Easter Flower in honor or memory of a loved one, please submit your donations by Sunday, April 13. The recommended donation is \$15, but please don't let money be an issue.

**Church and Church Office** - Please remember the Church and Offices will be closed on Monday, April 20, in observance of Easter.

**There are many ways to respond to God's love through giving -**

--In-person, by placing offerings in plates as ushers come through

--Text 765/222-5007

--Online: [highstreetumc.breezechms.com/give/online](http://highstreetumc.breezechms.com/give/online) (or scan the QR code below)

--Set up an automatic bank withdrawal through Diana (Church office)

--Drop off in person during church office hours.

## Youth & Children's Announcements

### Project 219:

**Calling all Students in Grades 4-7 ... Join us today for a CREATORS video: Mission Impawsible: Pickle Protocol! Come @ 4:30pm to find out what in the world a Pickle Protocol actually is!! There will be POPCORN!! Let Ms. Joy know if you are planning to attend!**

### SNAPSHOT for Giving/Missions as of 3/31

Last's week Church Giving//Budget	\$4,261.00/\$7,404.00
March Giving Total //Budget	\$123,440.75/\$32,083.00
March Expense:	\$36,040.20
Inc. YTD 2025 // Exp. YTD 2025:	\$123,440.75/\$121,296.08
YTD Mission Samaritan:	\$2,966.00
YTD Mission Pantry:	\$5,306.00
Attendance for March 31, 2025:	
In-person worship:	124
Social Media views online:	76
Grand Total for Worship	200



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### Sunday Schedule

Coffee Bar	8:30 - 11:30 am
Bethany Class (Adult Sunday School)	8:45 am
Children's Sunday School	9:00 am
Traditional Worship Service	10:00 am
It's All About Jesus (Adult Sunday School)	11:15 am
Project 219 Student Ministries	4:30 - 6 pm

### Food Pantry Needs

Rice #1 bags  
Peanut Butter  
Beans 16 oz - black/red/kidney  
Soup - Chicken noodle, tomato or vegetable  
Diced tomatoes 16 oz  
Vegetables canned 16 oz







