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**Worship:** Sundays at 8 and 10:30 a.m.

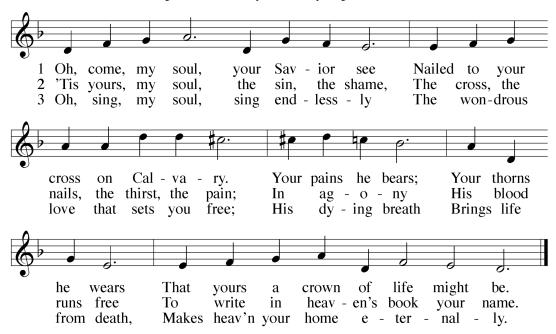
# **Our Worship**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ♣ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us pray.

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.

## Hymn-"Oh, Come, My Soul"



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## Scripture Lesson—John 11:17-27, 38-45

Jesus came to Bethany, to a family he loved greatly, Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. Lazarus had been dead for four days, but Jesus has the power to raise him, and he does.

- <sup>17</sup> On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. <sup>18</sup> Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, <sup>19</sup> and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. <sup>20</sup> When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.
- <sup>21</sup> "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."
- <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."
- <sup>24</sup> Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."
- <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"
- <sup>27</sup> "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world." [...]
- <sup>38</sup> Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. <sup>39</sup> "Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."
- <sup>40</sup> Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."
- <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go." <sup>45</sup> Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

## Sermon-John 11:17-27, 38-45

# "You Are Alive Forever"

#### Hymn-"Not Unto Us"



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#### **Prayer**

P: Lord Jesus Christ, as you raised Lazarus to life again, so you also raise us to spiritual life. We have put our faith in you as our Lord and Savior, and we believe your promise that whoever believes in you will live, even though they may die. Thank you for the eternal life that you have given to us through your own resurrection. During these days of trouble, we long for the glorious bodies you will give us, so that ours may be like yours.

Until that day when you bring us to your side, strengthen our faith that we may trust in your for all that we need for body and soul. Protect all those who serve in any capacity. Be with the sick, and grant them healing according to your will. Comfort the dying and their families. [Lord, we pray especially for...]

In all these things, we ask that you would attend us, O Lord. Be our strength, our fortress, and our tower. Show us your incredible grace by bringing many to faith and preserving us until we see you face to face. Be our resurrection and life, O Lord. We ask all of this in your name, and join to pray as you taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

#### **Benediction**

P: The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.