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Lent 5

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PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

Ps. 22:1-2; 7-8; 16-18

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning? ² O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest. ... ⁷ All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads; ⁸ "He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!" ... ¹⁶ For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet-- ¹⁷ I can count all my bones-- they stare and gloat over me; ¹⁸ they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: TLH #150

"Lord Jesus, Thou art Going Forth"

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

C *♩* **A - - - men.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C *♩* **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C *♩* **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

G  A - - - men.

INTROIT

Ps. 38:1-4,18,22; Is. 53:5

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

P He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed.

G O LORD, rebuke me not in Your anger, nor discipline me in Your wrath!

P For Your arrows have sunk into me, and Your hand has come down on me.

G There is no soundness in my flesh because of Your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin.

P For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.

G I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin.

P Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

G He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed.

GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory be to the Father"



G Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.



VERSE OF THE DAY

Is. 53:4

Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our life.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

TLH #237:1

C All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended. God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!

P Let us pray . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - - - men.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Isaiah 52:13-53:12 "Behold, Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. ¹⁴ As many were astonished at you-- his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind-- ¹⁵ so shall he sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or

majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. ³ He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. ⁴ Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. ⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned-- every one-- to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷ He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. ⁸ By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? ⁹ And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. ¹⁰ Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. ¹¹ Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

EPISTLE READING – Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 ¹⁴ Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. ⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned

obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him.

P This is the Word of the LORD.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

**I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN & CHOIR (TLH #159)

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

SERMON – John 18:37-40 Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world-- to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." ³⁸ Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. ³⁹ But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" ⁴⁰ They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

Jesus Christ, the Unexpected King



OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

- C** ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

SERMON HYMN: TLH #172:1,4,9,10

“O Sacred Head”

- OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS –

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

OFFERING HYMN: TLH #438:4

“Almighty Father, Heaven...”

- C** ♪ We, Lord, would lay at Thy behest The costliest offerings on Thy shrine; But when we give, and give our best, We give Thee only what is Thine.

PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER, and BENEDICTION

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.
- C** ♪ Amen, amen, a – men.

CLOSING HYMN: TLH #341

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

✠ Announcements ✠

CLC Call News The Rev. David Schierenbeck, pastor of Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights MN, has announced his plan to retire from the ministry and from his call to Berea at the end of June. <> Collette Krause has accepted the call to be principal and K-8 teacher at Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

Looking Ahead...

- ✠ **Today:** Bds. Of Elders & Ed
- ✠ **Mar. 21:** Midweek Lenten service at 6:30pm
- ✠ **Mar. 25:** Orlando Service
- ✠ **TBD:** Church Work Day
- ✠ **Mar. 30:** Good Friday Tenebrae Service
- ✠ **Apr. 14:** Trustees & Council

Easter Lilies If you'd like to place an Easter Lily in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday, you can find the signup sheet in the back of church. Please include your name as well as who the lily is placed in memory of. The Lilies are \$10; please pay Teresa Bernthal in time for her to purchase the lilies. Thank you!

Dorm Supervisor Needed at ILC: Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI, is in need of a boys' dormitory supervisor for the 2018-19 school year. Men who are CLC members in good standing and are able and willing to fill this position should ask the pastor for more information about the responsibilities and compensation for this position. Those who are interested in applying should contact the ILC president, Prof. Steve Sippert (steve.sippert@ilc.edu, [715-523-1138](tel:715-523-1138)), for an application or for more information. It is hoped that interested parties can reply by April 5.

Last Week (3/11) Attendance: WH – 47 Orlando – 16 Wed. – 20

General = \$2,731 | CLC Missions = \$10 | Lent Offering = \$140 |
Building Fund = \$200 | **Total Offering = \$3081**

March Usher: Goodwin | **Acolyte (3/25):** Grant R.
| **Cleaner (3/24):** Ream

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