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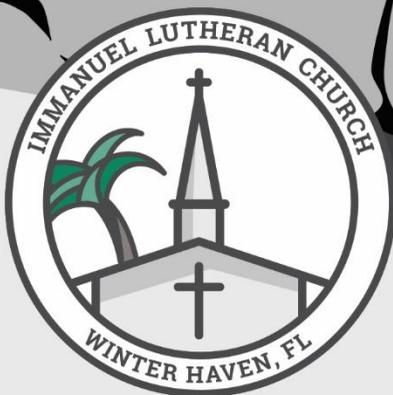
Ash Wednesday

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Ironies of the Passion



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✠ Order of Worship ✠

OPENING PRAYER

Hymn: TLH #140:1-3,5

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”

P O Lord, open my lips.



C: And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.

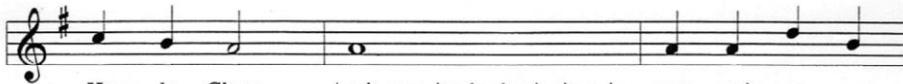
P Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



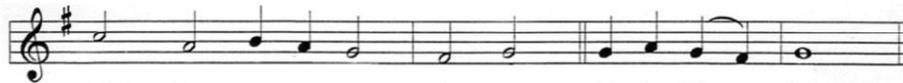
C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the



Ho - ly Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er



shall be: for - ev - er - more. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia!

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

C Holy and gracious God, I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.

P By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him. Amen.

LENTEN RESPONSORY

Ps. 38

P LORD, do not rebuke me in Your anger or discipline me in Your wrath.

C Your arrows have pierced me, And Your hand has come down on me.

- P** Because of Your wrath there is no health in my body;
C There is no soundness in my bones because of my sin.
P My guilt has overwhelmed me like a burden too heavy to bear.
C LORD, I wait for You; You will answer, Lord my God.
P LORD, do not forsake me; do not be far from me, my God.
C Come quickly to help me, my Lord and my Savior.

Hymn: WS #724

“Jesus, Remember Me”

- C** ♪ Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
 Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. *(Repeat)*

✠ Reading from the Passion History of Our Lord ✠

Hymn: TLH #323

“With Broken Heart and Contrite Sigh”

SERMON TEXT – Luke 18:9-14 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."



Ironies of the Passion: “This Man Went Home Justified”

RESPONSE

Rev. 5:12; TLH #367:4

- P** "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!" Amen.
- C** ♪ **Worship, honor, power, and blessing Thou art worthy to receive; Loudest praises, without ceasing, Meet it is for us to give.**
 Help, ye bright angelic spirits, Bring your sweetest, noblest lays; Help to sing our Savior's merits, Help to chant Immanuel's praise.

✠ Communion Exhortation ✠

P I now ask you before God, who searches the heart:

Do you confess that you have sinned against God and deserved His wrath and punishment? Then declare so by saying: **I do so confess.**

Do you repent of all your sins committed in thought, word, and deed? Then declare so by saying: **I do repent.**

Do you believe that God, by grace, for Jesus' sake, will forgive you all your sins? Then declare so by saying: **I do believe.**

Do you promise that with the help of the Holy Spirit you will strive to amend your sinful life? Then declare so by saying: **I do promise.**

Do you believe that our Lord offers to you through the elements of bread and wine, His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins? Then declare so by saying: **I do believe.**

Finally, do you believe that through me, as a called servant of God, you will receive the forgiveness of all your sins? Then declare so by saying: **I do believe.**

P As you believe, even so may it be unto you. Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.



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RESPONSE: TLH #50:1

“Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing”

C ♪ Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace. Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. Oh, refresh us, Oh, refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness! Amen.

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!

CLOSING HYMN: TLH #324:1,2,5,8

“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”