



Welcome
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Order of Worship

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 17, 2024

Welcome

Opening Song: LSB 524 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

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| 1 | How sweet the name of Jesus sounds In a believer's ear! It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, And drives away our fear. | 2 | It makes the wounded spirit whole And calms the heart's unrest; 'Tis manna to the hungry soul And to the weary, rest. |
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- 4 O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend, My Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my life, my way, my end, Accept the praise I bring.

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Lenten Monologues – Rahab

Confession and Absolution

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

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Epistle Reading, Hebrews 4:14-16

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.

L This is the word of the Lord **C** **Thanks be to God**

(Please be seated)

Sermon – Christ Cares!

Sermon Hymn, LSB 529 Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus

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| 1 Since our great High Priest, Christ Jesus, Bears the name above all names, Reigning Son of God, surpassing Other titles, pow'rs and claims— Since to heav'n our Lord has passed, Let us hold our witness fast! | 2 Since we have a priest who suffered, Knowing weakness, tears, and pain, Who like us was tried and tempted, Unlike us, without a stain— Since He shared our lowly place, Let us boldly seek His grace. |
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4 Love's example, hope's attraction, Faith's beginning and its end,
Pioneer of our salvation, Mighty advocate and friend;
Jesus, high in glory raised, Our ascended Lord be praised!

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(Please stand, as you are able)

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;**

**who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.**

Peace of the Lord

(Please greet the people in your family group with God's peace, and extend to those near to you the peace with a wave.)

Prayers of the Church

After each petition respond: **P** Lord in your mercy **C** Hear our prayer

Lord's Prayer

P Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

C **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 and ever. Amen.

The Word of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 180



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
God, You take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Distribution *(Please be seated)*

"We Come to Your Feast" by Michael Joncas

1. We place upon your table a gleaming cloth of white;
The weaving of our stories, the fabric of our lives;
The dreams of those before us, the ancient hopeful cries,
The promise of our future; our needing and our nurture lie here before our eyes.

REFRAIN: We come to your feast, we come to your feast:

The young and the old, the frightened the bold, the greatest and the least.

We come to your feast, we come to your feast

With the fruit of our lands and the work of our hands, we come to your feast.

2. We place upon your table a humble loaf of bread:

the gift of field and hillside, the grain by which we're fed;

we come to taste the presence of him on whom we feed,

to strengthen and connect us, to challenge and correct us,

to love in word and deed. **REFRAIN**

3. We place upon your table a simple cup of wine:

the fruit of human labor, the gift of sun and vine:

we come to taste the presence of him we claim as Lord,

his dying and his living, his leading and his giving,

his love in cup outpoured. **REFRAIN**

4. We gather 'round Your table, we pause within our quest,

We stand beside our neighbors, we name the stranger "guest."

The feast is spread before us: You bid us come and dine:

In blessing we'll uncover, in sharing we'll discover

Your substance and Your sign. **REFRAIN**

687 Thine Forever, God of Love

1 Thine forever, God of love!

Hear us from Thy throne above;

Thine forever may we be

Here and in eternity!

2 Thine forever! Oh, how blest

They who find in Thee their rest!

Savior, guardian, heav'nly friend,

O defend us to the end!

3 Thine forever, Lord of Life!

Shield us through our earthly strife.

Thou, the life, the truth, the way,

Guide us to the realms of day.

4 Thine forever! Shepherd, keep

These Thy frail and trembling sheep;

Safe alone beneath Thy care,

Let us all Thy goodness share.

5 Thine forever! Thou our guide, All our wants by Thee supplied,

All our sins by Thee forgiv'n; Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.

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Refiner's Fire

Purify my heart, Let me be as gold and precious silver;
Purify my heart, Let me be as gold, pure gold;
Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
Is to be holy,
Set apart for You, Lord;
I choose to be holy,
Set apart for You, my Master
Ready to do Your will.

(Instrumental interlude)

Purify my heart, Cleanse me from within and make me holy;
Purify my heart, Cleanse me from my sin, Deep within.
Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
Is to be holy,
Set apart for You, Lord;
I choose to be holy,
Set apart for You, my Master
Ready to do Your will.

Post Communion Canticle "Give Thanks" (Henry Smith)

Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give Thanks to the Holy One,
Give Thanks because he's given Jesus Christ His Son

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And now let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us,

And now let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us, Give Thanks

Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☩ Amen

Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

P Go in peace!

C **Serve the Lord**

P Let us bless the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

Closing Song Cry of My Heart (Terry Butler)

Chorus: It is the cry of my heart to follow You.

It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.

It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life.

Teach me Your holy ways, oh Lord.

So I can walk in Your truth.

Teach me Your holy ways, Oh Lord.

And make me wholly devoted to You.

Chorus

Open my eyes so I can see

The wonderful things that You do.

Open my heart up more and more,

And make me wholly devoted to You.

Chorus

All of the days of my life. All of the days...of my life

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