

✠ Third Midweek Lenten Worship ✠

March 6, 2024

✠ ✠ *In The Name of Jesus* ✠ ✠

Carillon Call to Worship

Prelude

Processional Hymn

440 Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

sts. 1-3, 6



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;
2 Make me see Your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,
3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see Your pas - sion,
6 Gra - cious - ly my faith re - new; Help me bear my cross - es,



With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;
But its cause to me make known And its ter - mi - na - tion.
Learn - ing hum - ble - ness from You, Peace mid pain and loss - es.



Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,
Ah! I al - so and my sin Wrought Your deep af - flic - tion;
May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Sav - ior,



Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.
This in - deed the cause has been Of Your cru - ci - fix - ion.
That I may in heav'n a - bove Sing Your praise for - ev - er.

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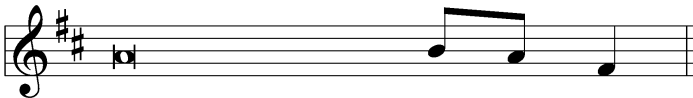
Invocation

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

C Amen.

Lent Versicles

L O Lord, open my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

✠ Psalmody ✠

Psalm 19

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¹The heavens declare the glo - ry of God,*
and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.

²Day to day | pours out speech,*
and night to night reveals | knowledge.

³There is no speech, nor | are there words,*
whose voice | is not heard.

⁴Their measuring line goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end | of the world.*

In them he has set a tent | for the sun,
 ⁵which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his | chamber,*
 and, like a strong man, runs its | course with joy.
⁶Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
 and its circuit to the | end of them,*
 and there is nothing hidden | from its heat.

⁷The law of the LORD is perfect,
 reviv- | ing the soul;*
the testimony of the LORD is sure,
 making wise the | simple;
⁸the precepts of the LORD are right,
 rejoicing | the heart;*
the commandment of the LORD is pure,
 enlightening | the eyes;
⁹the fear of the LORD is clean,
 enduring for- | ever;*
the just decrees of the LORD are true,
 and righteous alto- | gether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold,
 even | much fine gold;*
sweeter also than honey
 and drippings of the | honeycomb.

¹¹Moreover, by them is your | servant warned;*
 in keeping them there is | great reward.

¹²Who can dis- | cern his errors?*
 Declare me innocent from | hidden faults.

¹³Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;
 let them not have dominion | over me!*
Then I shall be blameless,
 and innocent of great trans- | gression.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
 be acceptable | in your sight,*
 O LORD, my rock and my re- | deemer.

Collect of the Day

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

✠ Passion Narrative ✠

John 19:1-16

¹Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. ²And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. ³They came up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and struck him with their hands. ⁴Pilate went out again and said to them, “See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him.” ⁵So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Behold the man!” ⁶When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, “Crucify him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him.” ⁷The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God.” ⁸When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. ⁹He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, “Where are you from?” But Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰So Pilate said to him, “You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?” ¹¹Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin.”

¹²From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, “If you release this man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar.” ¹³So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. ¹⁴Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, “Behold your King!” ¹⁵They cried out, “Away with him, away with him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.” ¹⁶So he delivered him over to them to be crucified.

So they took Jesus,

Apostles’ Creed

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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.**

Sermon Hymn

424 O Christ, You Walked the Road



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.
2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.
3 No blind-ing sign we ask, No won-der from a-bove.
4 When lures of eas-y gain With prom-ise bright-ly shine,
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.
Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.
Lord, help us place our trust a-lone In Your un-swer-v-ing love.
Lord, help us seek Your king-dom first; Our wills with Yours a-lign.
Stay with us through temp-ta-tion's hour To fight our an-cient foe.

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Sermon

The St. John Passion
Whom Do We Follow?
Solomon Spangler, Vicar

John 19:1-16a

Congregational Response

427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1 In the cross of Christ I glo-ry, Tow'r-ing
2 When the woes of life o'er-take me, Hopes de-
3 When the sun of bliss is beam-ing Light and
4 Bane and bless-ing, pain and plea-sure By the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred
 ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -
 love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no

sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
 stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
 mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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Offering

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

Collect for Peace

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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- P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** Amen.

Closing Hymn

883 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

sts. 1, 5-6



1 All praise to Thee, my God, this night For all the
5 When in the night I sleep - less lie, My soul with
△ 6 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all



bless - ings of the light. Keep me, O keep me,
heav'n - ly thoughts sup - ply; Let no ill dreams dis -
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye



King of kings, Be - neath Thine own al - might - y wings.
turb my rest, No pow'rs of dark - ness me mo - lest.
heav'n-ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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Join us in Worship on Sunday March 10, 2024 – The Fourth Sunday in Lent -
Pastor Halboth will preach on the theme “Love Us, Jesus” based on John 3:14-22.

Join us next Wednesday for our Lenten Dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Serving will begin at 5:15 pm. **The menu is Mac and Cheese, Coleslaw, Applesauce, Desserts and Beverages.** Signup sheets are located at the Information Center.

Next Wednesday March 13, 2024 - Fourth Mid-Week Lent Worship - Vicar Solomon will preach on the theme "The St. John Passion: “A Friend on the Cross” based on John 19:16b-27.