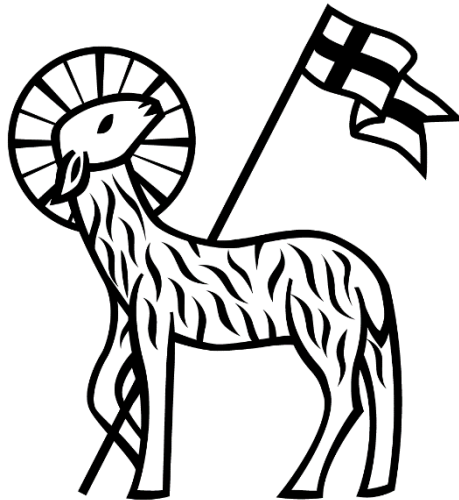




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4th Midweek Service
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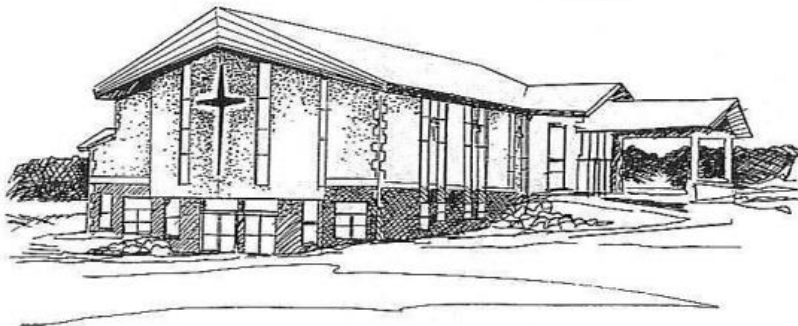
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”
Psalm 122:1**



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OPENING HYMN (CW 104)

Go to Dark Gethsemane



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; View the Lord of
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid his



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see.
life ar - rained. Oh, the worm-wood and the gall!
at his feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,
breath - less clay; All is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from his
Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained! Shun not suf-f'ring,
God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"
Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; Learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
pain, or loss; Learn of him to bear the cross.
hear him cry; Learn of Je - sus Christ to die.
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.

Tunc: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820–1901.

STAND

RESPONSES

If an organist is present, the responses will be chanted. If no organist is present, they will be spoken.



M: O Lord, o - pen my lips.



C: And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



M: Has - ten to save me, O God.



C: O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

MIDDAY PRAYER

M: God of mercy, this midday moment of rest is your welcome gift. Bless the work we have begun, make good its defects, and let us finish it in a way that pleases you. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

OR

EVENING PRAYER

M: Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

PSALM

Psalm 69

For the choir director. According to "Lilies." By David.

¹ *Save me, O God, for the waters have come up to my neck.*

² *I sink into the deep mud, where there is no place to stand.*

I have entered deep waters, and the rapids rush over me.

³ *I am worn out from my crying. My throat is sore.*

My eyes are blurry, as I wait for my God.

⁴ *Those who hate me without reason outnumber the hairs on my head.*

Those who want to destroy me, my lying enemies, are strong.

I must repay things I did not steal.

⁵ *God, you know my folly,
and my guilt is not hidden from you.*

⁶ *May those who place their confidence in you
not be put to shame because of me,
O Lord, the LORD of Armies.
May those who seek you not be disgraced because of me,
O God of Israel.*

⁷ *It is for your sake that I bear scorn.
Shame covers my face.*

⁸ *I have become a stranger to my brothers,
a foreigner to my mother's sons.*

⁹ *Yes, zeal for your house consumes me.
The scorn of those who scorn you falls on me.*

¹⁰ *I wept as I fasted,
but this only brought insults to me.*

¹¹ *When I wore sackcloth as my clothing,
I was a joke to them.*

¹² *Those who sit in the gatehouse gossip about me,
and the songs of the drunks are about me.*

¹³ *But I direct my prayer to you, O LORD, for a time of favor.
God, in the greatness of your mercy,
answer me with the certainty of salvation from you.*

¹⁴ *Rescue me from the mud, so I do not sink.
Let me escape from those who hate me and from the deep waters.*

¹⁵ *Do not let the rapids rush over me.
Do not let the deep swallow me up.
Do not let the pit close its mouth over me.*

¹⁶ *Answer me, LORD, for your mercy is good.
According to your great compassion, turn to me.*

¹⁷ *Do not hide your face from your servant.
Because I am in distress, hurry, answer me.*

¹⁸ *Come near. Redeem my soul.
Ransom me because of my enemies.*

¹⁹ *You know my disgrace, my shame, and my confusion.
All my foes are in front of you.*

²⁰ *Disgrace has broken my heart, and I am helpless.
I waited for sympathy, but there was none.
I waited for comforters, but I did not find any.*

²¹ *Instead they put bitter poison in my food.
For my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink.*

²² *May the table set before them become a snare.
May it be a trap to them and their allies.*

²³ *May their eyes be darkened so they cannot see.
Make their legs always tremble.*

²⁴ *Pour out your wrath on them.
Let the heat of your anger catch up with them.*

²⁵ *May their camp be desolate.
May there be no one dwelling in their tents.*

²⁶ *For they pursue those you have disciplined, O God,
and they talk about the pain of those you wound.*

²⁷ *Add guilt to their guilt.
Do not let them enter into your righteousness.*

²⁸ *May they be erased from the book of life.
May they not be listed among the righteous.*

²⁹ *But I am afflicted and in pain.
O God, may salvation from you set me on high.*

³⁰ *I will praise God's name in song.
I will proclaim his greatness with thanksgiving.*

³¹ *For the LORD this is better than an ox,
than a bull that has horns and hoofs.*

³² *The poor will see and be glad.
You who seek God, may your hearts live!*

³³ *For the LORD listens to the needy,
and he does not despise the captives who belong to him.*

³⁴ *Let heaven and earth praise him,
the seas and all that move in them,*

³⁵ *for God will save Zion,
and he will build the cities of Judah.
Then people will settle there and possess it.*

³⁶ *Then the descendants of his servants will inherit it,
and those who love his name will dwell in it.*

STAND

GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:18-25

¹⁸ “If the world hates you, you know that it hated me first. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love its own. However, because you are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of it, for that very reason the world hates you. ²⁰ Remember the saying I told you: ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted me, they will persecute you too. If they held on to my word, they will hold on to yours as well. ²¹ But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know the one who sent me. ²² If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin. But now they have no excuse for their sin. ²³ The one who hates me also hates my Father. ²⁴ If I had not done the works among them that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin. But now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. ²⁵ This was to fulfill the word which is written in their Law: ‘They hated me for no reason.’”

BE SEATED

HYMN (CW 120)

What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul! What won - drous love is this, O my soul!
 down, When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down,
 sing; To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
 on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.



What won-drous love is this That caused the Lord of
 When I was sink - ing down Be - neath God's right - eous
 To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing his love for



bliss To bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my
 frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my
 Am, While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
 me, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, To bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
 soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
 sing, While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: *A General Selection of . . . Spiritual Songs*, Lynchburg, 1811, alt.
 Tune: WONDROUS LOVE (12 9 66 12 9) *Southern Harmony*, New Haven, 1835.

SERMON

Psalms 69:1-6

See the Savior Wait for God

STAND

LITANY 5: PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - 1

M: With all our hearts and with all our minds, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the leaders of our synod and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For our president, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For this village, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For reasonable weather and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the good earth that God has given us and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

[M: For _____, let us pray to the Lord.]

[C: Lord, have mercy.]

M: For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, by your grace.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: In the communion of the holy patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and all our lives to Christ our God.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

MIDDAY PRAYER

M: Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may look to you and be saved; for your tender mercies' sake.

C: Amen.

OR

EVENING PRAYER

M: Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

C: Amen.

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part



ac - cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen



your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for ev - 'ry



peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

BLESSING

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M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



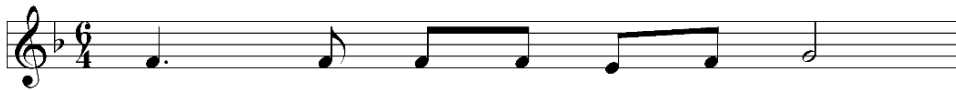
and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - men.

HYMN (CW 593)

Now the Light Has Gone Away



1 Now the light has gone a - way;
 2 Je - - sus, Sav - ior, wash a - way
 3 Let my near and dear ones be
 4 Now my eve - ning praise I give;
 5 Ah, my best and kind - est Friend,



Fa - ther, lis - ten while I pray,
 All that I've done wrong to - day.
 Safe with you e - ter - nal - ly.
 You once died that I might live.
 You will love me to the end.



Ask - ing you to watch and keep
 Make me ev - er more like you,
 Oh, bring me and all I love
 All your pre - cious gifts are free—
 Let me love you more and more,



And to send me qui - et sleep.
 Good and gen - tle, kind and true.
 To your hap - py home a - bove.
 Oh, how good you are to me!
 Al - ways bet - ter than be - fore.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79, alt.

Tune: MÜDE BIN ICH (77 77) *Liederbuch für Kleinkinder-Schulen*, Kaiserwerth, 1842, alt.

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4th Midweek Lent Service

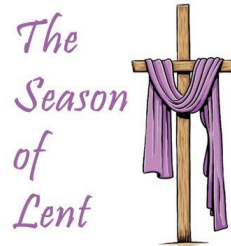
Serving us Today:

- Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund (6:30)
- Usher: Bob Degnan (6:30)
- Altar Guild: Mandi Miller
- Recording: Julie Doyle

Wednesday Lent Worship

March 17 & 24

12:30 and 6:30 pm



Maundy Thursday Worship - April 1

6:30 pm

Good Friday Worship - April 2

1:00 pm and 6:30 pm

Easter Family Walk – April 3

10:00 – 12:00 noon

Candy donations needed.



Easter - April 4

Private Communion 8:00 – 8:30 am

Worship 9:00 and 10:30 am

Sign up on our website or contact the church office.

