

Midweek Lent Five

Jesus Carries the Cross



“So they took Jesus, and He went out, bearing His own cross,
to the place called The Place of a Skull,
which in Aramaic is called Golgotha.” — *John 19:16b-17*

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Evening Prayer

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In our Midweek Lenten Services we shall sojourn with Jesus. We shall also meet a few characters on our way. The style of preaching during this Lententide is a monologue in which the pastor tells the story from the point of view of the character. This is not entertainment. It is the proclamation of the Gospel in an extended narrative form that tells the story of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Tonight you will hear from the mouth of a passerby that Jesus carries His own cross and then is crucified, bearing the punishment for the sins of the world. This is what it costs to atone for sins. At any time, Jesus can halt the proceedings, save Himself, and condemn His enemies. His love for us and His obedience to the Father lead Him to make this sacrifice instead.

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The Greeting

The Service of Light

Please stand

P Now is the time of God's favor,

C **now is the day of salvation.**

P Turn us again, O God of our salvation,

C **that the light of Your face may shine on us.**

P May Your justice shine like the sun;

C **and may the poor be lifted up.**

The Thanksgiving for Light

P Let us pray.

We praise and thank You, O God, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, that You have enlightened us by revealing the Light that never fades. Night is falling, and day's allotted span draws to a close. The daylight which You created for our pleasure has fully satisfied us, and yet, of Your free gift, now the evening lights do not fail us. We praise You and glorify You through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; through Him be glory, honor, and power to You in the Holy Spirit now and always and forever and ever.

C **Amen.**

Please sit

The Invitation Hymn: “*Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten*”

LSB 914

Please stand

The Psalmody

Psalm 22:1-11, 14-31

P My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

C **O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest.**

P Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

C **In you our fathers trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

P To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

C **But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**

P All who see me mock me;
they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

C **“He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, for he delights in him!”**

P Yet you are he who took me from the womb;
you made me trust you at my mother’s breasts.

C **On you was I cast from my birth,
and from my mother’s womb you have been my God.**

P Be not far from me,
for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

C **I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;
my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;**

P my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

**C For dogs encompass me;
a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet—**

P I can count all my bones—
they stare and gloat over me;

**C they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.**

P But you, O LORD, do not be far off!
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

**C Deliver my soul from the sword,
my precious life from the power of the dog!**

P Save me from the mouth of the lion!
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

**C I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**

P You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**C For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.**

P From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will perform before those who fear him.

**C The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever!**

P All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

**C For kingship belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.**

P All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep himself alive.

**C Posterity shall serve him;
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;**

P they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,
that he has done it.

7:00 PM – Ed Doenges

Organists: 4:30 PM – Lanette Schmidt
7:00 PM – Doris Dykhuizen

Acolytes: 4:30 PM – Donna Dahlberg
7:00 PM – Anthony Bruno

Ushers: 4:30 PM – Steve & Lee Procuk
7:00 PM – Don Plesner and Barbara Duff

Lord Jesus, with Your death, the temple curtain was torn from top to bottom, giving access to Your holy presence to all people. By the preaching of Your Gospel, may You be our peace, for You have made us one and have broken down in Your flesh the dividing wall of hostility by fulfilling the Law in Your death on the cross; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold 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.**

The Benedicamus

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Benediction

P The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the T Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C **Amen.**

The Closing Hymn: *"Praise to You and Adoration"*

LSB 692

T *Soli Deo Gloria* T

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE

Officiant and Preacher: **Rev. James T. Kress, Sr., Pastor, Redeemer Lutheran Church**

Elders: 4:30 PM – George Cancellieri

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You desire not the death of a sinner, but rather that we turn from our evil ways and live. Graciously spare us those punishments which we by our sins have deserved, and grant us always to serve You in holiness and pureness of living; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please sit

The Hymn of Meditation: *"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"*

LSB 437

The Old Testament Lesson

2 Kings 19:21-22

²¹This is the word that the LORD has spoken concerning him: "She despises you, she scorns you—the virgin daughter of Zion; she wags her head behind you—the daughter of Jerusalem. ²²"Whom have you mocked and reviled? Against whom have you raised your voice and lifted your eyes to the heights? Against the Holy One of Israel!

P The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

The Holy Gospel Lesson

Mark 15:21-39

²¹And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. ²²And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). ²³And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. ²⁵And it was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, ³⁰save yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³²Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

³³And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth

hour. ³⁴And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” ³⁵And some of the bystanders hearing it said, “Behold, he is calling Elijah.” ³⁶And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.” ³⁷And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, “Truly this man was the Son of God!”

P In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

C **But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.**

Please sit

The Office Hymn: “Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”

LSB 451

The Sermon: “He Got What We Deserve”

Please stand

The Magnificat



1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the
2 His arm now bar - ing, His strength de - clar - ing— Sing the



great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me
great - ness of the Lord! The proud He scat - ters, Their rule He



fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and
shat - ters— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! Op - pres - sion



bles - sing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Might - y and
halt - ed; The meek ex - alt - ed. Full are the hun - gry; Emp - ty, the



ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy
wealth - y— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! Here is the



sure - ly Shall rest se - cure - ly On all who fear Him,
to - ken All that was spo - ken To A - br'ham's off - spring



Love and re - vere Him— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!
God is ful - fill - ing— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!

Please sit

The Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

Please stand

The Litany

P In peace let us pray to the Lord,

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Response following each petition

P ... let us pray to the Lord,

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:

C **Thanks be to God.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Silence for individual prayer.

P Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:

C **To You O Lord.**

The Collect For Lent

P Let us pray.