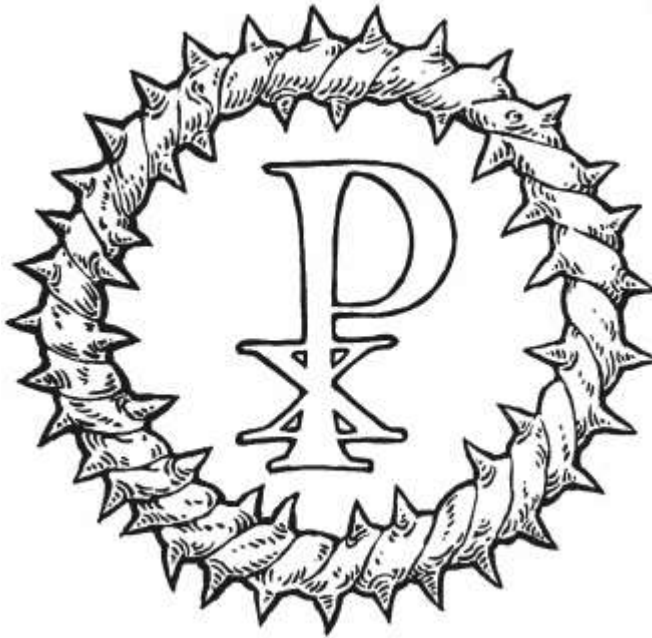


***Lent Midweek 4***  
***Wednesday, March 25, 2020***



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*“We are baptized children of God, forgiven and redeemed by Jesus.  
We are His family, called together to receive His gifts and serve  
others.”*

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## **Greetings to all in the Name of the Risen Lord!**

May our worship celebrate the joy and hope, peace and presence, of our Lord Jesus Christ, raised to life for us. We welcome all, especially our guests. If you do not have a church home, please consider Divine Shepherd. We would love to have you as part of our family. Please take a minute and sign our guest book.

### **A prayer before Worship**

This is the day you have made, O Lord Jesus, a day of new life and eternal celebration! The stone is moved; death is defeated; heaven is open. As Your disciples first saw and believed Your victory over the tomb, so give us joy in the promise You made and keep for us: because You live, we live also! Amen.

### **The Lord's Supper**

*The Lord's Supper is celebrated by us in the confession and gladness that, as our Lord says, He gives into our mouth not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord Jesus invites to His table those who trust His Words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.*



*Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the blood of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. (1 Cor 11:28 ESV) Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or hold a confession differing from that of the Holy Scriptures, this congregation, and the Lutheran Church~Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked to speak with Pastor Sturzenbecher.*

## Order of Vespers LSB 229

### Stand



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er 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.

### Psalm

*Psalm 28*



<sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD, I call;  
my rock, be not | deaf to me,\*

lest, if you be silent to me,

I become like those who go down | to the pit.

**<sup>2</sup>Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,**

**when I cry to | you for help,\***

**when I lift up my hands**

**toward your most holy sanctu- | ary.**

**<sup>3</sup>Do not drag me off with the wicked,**

**with the workers of | evil,\***

**who speak peace with their neighbors**

**while evil is | in their hearts.**

**<sup>4</sup>Give to them according to their work**

**and according to the evil | of their deeds,\***

**give to them according to the work of their hands;**

**render them their | due reward.**

**<sup>5</sup>Because they do not regard the works of the LORD**

**or the work | of his hands,\***

**he will tear them down and build them | up no more.**

**<sup>6</sup>Blessèd | be the LORD!\***

**For he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.**

**<sup>7</sup>The LORD is my strength and my shield;**

**in him my heart trusts, and | I am helped;\***

**my heart exults,**

**and with my song I give | thanks to him.**

**<sup>8</sup>The LORD is the strength of his | people;\***

**he is the saving refuge of his a- | nointed.**

**<sup>9</sup>Oh, save your people and bless your | heritage!\***

**Be their shepherd and carry them for- | ever.**

## 771 Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord

1 Be still, my soul, be - fore the Lord, For  
2 You need not mul - ti - ply your words Nor  
3 Wait, then, in qui - et con - fi - dence, Your  
4 Be still, my soul, be - fore the Lord; On

God is al - ways near. Be - fore your mind is  
pray with prac - ticed art. Be - yond all speech, God  
anx - ious thoughts at rest. God knows your needs be -  
God in pa - tience wait. God's love, un - seen, sur -

moved to pray, God lis - tens and will hear.  
un - der - stands The hun - ger of your heart.  
fore you ask And works for what is best.  
rounds your life; God's help will not be late.

### Reading

*1 Timothy 2:1–8*

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

<sup>8</sup>I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling;

L O Lord, have mercy on us

**C Thanks be to God**

## Reading

John 6:35–40

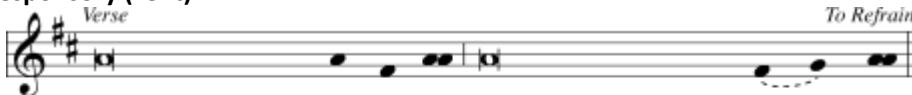
<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. <sup>36</sup>But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. <sup>37</sup>All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. <sup>38</sup>For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup>For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us

**C Thanks be to God**

## Responsory (Lent)

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- L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.  
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.  
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.



- C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me  
from those who rise a - gainst me.

## Sermon

## Lord's Prayer

## Catechetical Review

### The Lord's Prayer: The Third & Fourth Petition

#### The Third Petition

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. *What does this mean?*

The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also. *How is God's will done?* God's will is done when he breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

#### The Fourth Petition

Give us this day our daily bread. *What does this mean?*

God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. *What is meant by daily bread?* Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

## 766 Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

sts. 4, 9



4 Your gra-cious will on earth be done As it is done be -  
9 A - men, that is, so shall it be. Make strong our faith in  
fore Your throne, That pa - tient - ly we may o - bey Through -  
You, that we May doubt not but with trust be - lieve That

out our lives all that You say. Curb flesh and blood and ev - 'ry  
 what we ask we shall re - ceive. Thus in Your name and at Your

ill That sets it - self a - gainst Your will.  
 Word We say, "A - men, O hear us, Lord!"

## Passion Reading

### The Palace of the High Priest

Those who had arrested Jesus brought him to the high priest's house, where the scribes and elders were assembled. Peter followed him afar off, and so did another disciple. That disciple was known to the high priest and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest, but Peter stood outside at the door. So that other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the doorkeeper and brought Peter in. He went in and sat with the servants to see the end. He was warming himself at the fire they had kindled in the middle of the courtyard. Meanwhile, the chief priests and the whole council were seeking evidence that might make the case for a death sentence, but they could not find any. Many bore false witness against him, but their statements did not agree. Two stepped forward and said, "We heard him say, 'I shall destroy this temple made with hands and after three days I shall build another, not made with hands.'" But even on this point their evidence did not agree. Then the high priest stood up, moved to the center, and put this question to Jesus, "Do you have no answer? What is this evidence they have given against you?" But he was silent and gave no answer. Again the high priest put a question to him and said, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" Jesus said, "I am. You will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of God's power and coming with the clouds of heaven." The high priest tore his garments and said, "Do we still need any witnesses? You have heard this blasphemy. What is your opinion?" They all agreed that he was deserving of death. Then some of them began to spit on him;



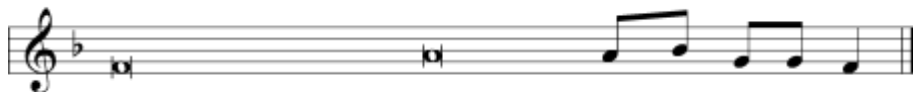
they blindfolded him, struck him, and said to him, "Prophecy to us, O Christ, who is it that struck you?" The guards beat him as they took him away. Meanwhile Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. One of the maidservants of the high priest came and saw Peter warming himself. She looked at him closely as he sat in the light of the fire, and said, "You also were along with the man from Nazareth, that Jesus." Peter denied it and said, "I do not know what you mean." He went out to the forecourt. Another maidservant saw him there and said to those who were standing around, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." Peter denied it again with an oath, "I do not know the man." A little later those standing around said to Peter, "Surely you are one of them. You are a Galilean. Your accent gives you away." Peter started calling down curses on himself and swore, "I do not know the man." And immediately while he was still speaking, the cock crowed a second time, and the Lord turned and looked on Peter. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." Peter broke down, and went out, and wept bitterly.

## Canticle

*Stand*



**L** Let my prayer rise before You as in - cense,



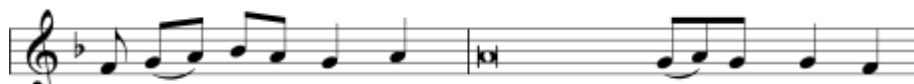
**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

# Magnificat

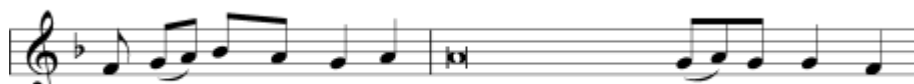
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**C** My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Sav-ior;



**I** for He has re-gard - ed the lowliness of His hand-maid - en.



**II** For be-hold, from this day all generations will call me bless - ed.



**I** For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;



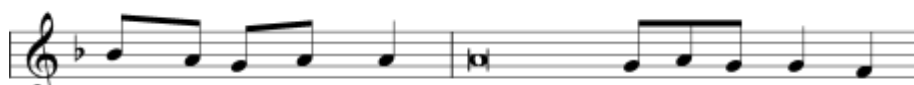
**II** and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to gen - er - a - tion.



**I** He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the



imagination of their hearts. **II** He has cast down the



might-y from their thrones and has ex - alt - ed the low - ly.



**I** He has filled the hun - gry with good things,

and the rich He has sent emp - ty a - way.

II He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mer - cy

as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for - ev - er.

III Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

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

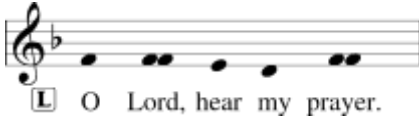
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IV Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**Lord's Prayer**



O Lord, hear my prayer.



And let my cry come to You.

## Collect of the Day

O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that we turn from our wickedness and live. Graciously behold Your people who plead to You and spare us. Withdraw the scourge of Your wrath and be moved in mercy to turn away this pestilence from us; for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Holy and mighty Lord, who has promised, "no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent". We cry to You to hear our prayer for those who are suffering and dying because of Covid 19. Mercifully bless the means which are used to stay the spread of this sickness. Strengthen those who labor to heal and comfort the afflicted. Support those who are in pain and distress. Uphold and give hope and peace to those affected economically. Speedily restore those who have been brought low, and unto all who are beyond healing grant Thy heavenly consolation and Thy saving grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Amen

### Benedicamus

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Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**

**P** The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ and the love of God  
 and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.  
**G** A - men.

**422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image**

On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,  
 That life's rich - es, cares, and plea - sures Nev - er may Your work e - rase;  
 Let the clear in - scrip - tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,  
 Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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