

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023 – 11:00 AM**

PRESERVICE SONG

Let the Praises Rise

INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

P Let us ever walk with Jesus.

C To see the depths of his love.

P To behold the gift of his forgiveness.

C To gaze upon the heights of his grace.

P To marvel at the magnitude of his mercy.

C We follow Christ to the courtyard.

P It belongs to the High Priest Caiaphas—but Peter is there and so are others.

C Peter denies Jesus three times.

P But all is not lost. After his collapse, God's grace is amazing.

C Faithful Lord with me abide. I shall follow where you guide!

OPENING SONGS

Your Grace Is Enough

Great is Your faithfulness, O God.
You wrestle with the sinner's heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy,
And nothing can keep us apart.

So remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God.

Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice, God.
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,
And all Your people sing along.

So remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God.

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Beautiful Savior

All my days
I will sing this song of gladness
Give my praise
To the Fountain of delights

For in my helplessness You heard my cry
And waves of mercy poured down on my life

I will trust
In the cross of my Redeemer
I will sing of the blood that never fails

Of sins forgiven
Of conscience cleansed
Of death defeated and life without end

Beautiful Savior Wonderful Counselor
Clothed in majesty Lord of history
You're the Way the Truth the Life
Star of the Morning glorious in holiness
You're the Risen One heaven's Champion
And You reign You reign over all

I long to be
Where the praise is never ending
Yearn to dwell
Where the glory never fades

Where countless worshipers
Will share one song
And cries of worthy will honor the Lamb

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Confession and Absolution

P Gracious and most merciful Father—

C In the light of your holiness I see myself as I really am.

P And I am guilty.

C I confess that I have impure thoughts and unclean lips.

P I think too highly of myself and too little of others.

C I cling too tightly to the treasures of this world.

P That I cannot open my hands to receive blessings from you.

C **My feet walk in the path of sin.**

P I wander astray and become a stranger to righteousness.

C **Forgive me, and set me again on the path that leads to life.**

P Deal with me not as I deserve, but according to your mercy.

C **Not because I am worthy but because you are gracious. Lord, have mercy! Christ, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!**

(Please silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, Christ's love is greater.)

P Hear the good news! Jesus walked to places of rejection, suffering, torment and death—for you. Jesus was determined to go to Gethsemane, Gabbatha and Golgotha—for you. That's why Jesus forgives you completely and loves you eternally. Faithful Lord, with me abide!

C **I shall follow where you guide!**

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

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.

© Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 53:8–12

By oppression and judgment he was taken away;
and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people?
And they made his grave with the wicked
and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.
Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;
he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.
Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.
Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
because he poured out his soul to death
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and makes intercession for the transgressors.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

James 2:8–13

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For he who said, “Do not commit adultery,” also said, “Do not murder.” If you do not commit adultery but do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty. For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 26:69–75

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came up to him and said, “You also were with Jesus the Galilean.” But he denied it before them all, saying, “I do not know what you mean.” And when he went out to the entrance, another servant girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, “This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.” And again he denied it with an oath: “I do not know the man.” After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, “Certainly you too are one of them, for your accent betrays you.” Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, “I do not know the man.” And immediately the rooster crowed. And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, “Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times.” And he went out and wept bitterly.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY

Grace Alone

Ev'ry promise we can make,
Ev'ry prayer and step of faith,
Ev'ry diff'rence we will make,
Is only by His grace.

Ev'ry mountain we will climb,
Ev'ry ray of hope we shine,
Ev'ry blessing left behind,
Is only by His grace.

Grace alone, which God supplies,
Strength unknown, He will provide,
Christ in us our Cornerstone;
We will go forth in grace alone.

Ev'ry soul we long to reach,
Ev'ry heart we hope to teach,
Ev'rywhere we share His peace,
Is only by His grace.

Ev'ry loving word we say,
Ev'ry tear we wipe a-way,
Ev'ry sorrow turned to praise,
Is only by His grace.

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SERMON

Places of the Passion: The Courtyard

APOSTLES' CREED

**☩ 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.**

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

Amazing Grace

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Together we pray our family prayer:
- 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 WORDS 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

LSB 163

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

- C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me....
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now, I see.

T'was Grace that taught...
my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear...
the hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me...
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be...
as long as life endures.

When we've been here ten thousand years...
bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise...
then when we've first begun.

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me....
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now, I see

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Jesus You Are

Jesus, You are, You are
Everything I'm not,
And ev'rything that I want to be;
Jesus, You are, You are
The maker of my heart;
Finish what You started in me.

Jesus, You are, You are
Everything I'm not,
And ev'rything that I want to be;
Jesus, You are, You are
The maker of my heart;
Finish what You started in me.

This is the hope I have,
It's something I cannot see;
You willingly gave Your life,
Willing to die for me;
Now I believe, I believe, I believe.

Jesus, You are, You are
Everything I'm not,
And ev'rything that I want to be;
Jesus, You are, You are
The maker of my heart;
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Finish what You started in me.

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DISMISSAL

BENEDICTION

P Jesus invites us to walk with him to the high priest's courtyard, a place of great suffering and a place of great love. We will walk with Jesus all the way to the empty tomb—and resurrection victory.

C **Let us ever walk with Jesus!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING SONG

Let The Praises Ring

O Lord my God in You I put my trust
O Lord my God in You I put my hope
O Lord my God in You I put my trust
O Lord my God in You I put my hope

In You in You I find my peace
In You in You I find my strength
In You I live and move and breathe
Let everything I say and do
Be founded by my faith in You
I lift up holy hands and sing
Let the praises ring

O Lord my God to You I give my hands
O Lord my God to You I give my feet
O Lord my God to You I give my everything
O Lord my God to You I give my life

In You in You I find my peace
In You in You I find my strength
In You I live and move and breathe
Let everything I say and do
Be founded by my faith in You
I lift up holy hands and sing
Let the praises ring

Psalm 56:3 - 4

3 When I am afraid,

I put my trust in you.

4 In God, whose word I praise,

in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

In You in You I find my peace
In You in You I find my strength
In You I live and move and breathe
Let everything I say and do
Be founded by my faith in You
I lift up holy hands and sing

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