Take a moment to notice the \* at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The \* indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.

In great love He was slain for us and by His blood He ransomed us for God. As our substitute, carrying our sin, the Holy Lamb of God received the punishment that we deserved! And as He, Himself, cried out, "It is finished!" (John 19:30). As we marvel at the forgiveness He won for us at Calvary, we also give thanks for the means by which He brings it to us still today. As we receive Holy Communion during this Lenten season, guests who desire to commune are

asked to speak with the pastor or an elder before the service. For Scriptural reasons, we practice close communion. If you do not belong to a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we invite you to join our communion fellowship. For details, please speak or make an appointment with Pastor Kane through the church office (319) 235-6705.

## JUDICA (JUDGE) FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

#### Jesus is Our Redemption

March 26, 2023

**AS WE GATHER:** In the temple Jesus said, "If anyone keeps my word, he will never see death" (John 8:51). For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death's sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His own blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people (Heb. 9:11-15). He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet it his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head (Gen. 22:1-14). Though Jesus is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the cross.

### \*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: Almighty God,

People: by Your great goodness mercifully look upon

Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,

now and forever. Amen.

\*Benediction:

LSB 212

Closing Hymn:

LSB 437

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

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**Announcements** 

Opening Hymn: LSB 431

"Not All the Blood of Beasts"

**Confession and Absolution:** LSB 203

**SERVICE OF THE WORD** 

\*Kyrie LSB 204

\*Salutation: LSB 205

\*Collect of the Day: (Printed)

**Catechism Review** 

**Old Testament:** Genesis 22:1-14

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**Epistle:** Hebrews 9:11-15

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\*Holy Gospel: John 8:42-59

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\*Nicene Creed: LSB 206
Sermon Hymn: LSB 428

"Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow"

Sermon

Offertory LSB 955

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

\*Prayer of the Church

\*Lord's Prayer LSB 209
\*Benediction LSB 212

This concludes the service for online viewing

#### \*SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 208ff

**Distribution Hymns:** 

"My Song Is Love Unknown" Chancel Choir "The Lamb" LSB 547

\*Nunc Dimittis: LSB 211

\*Post-Communion Collect: LSB 212

# Please help us keep our prayer requests current by calling the office (235.6705) with updates – especially with our long term requests and military personnel.

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women – a woman please pray for to have focus in her life. Please pray that God would lead her steps. a woman please pray for her health, and the health of her baby due in April. a woman please pray for financial stability. Her and her husband both work for Americore and their monthly stipends don't meet their expenses. Please pray they will resolve this. For men- a man please pray over his life in general. He is looking for a job, a place to live, and a church that he can walk to. a man please pray over his lack of finances. Please pray that he will find employment. a man please pray over his life. a man please pray for his health; getting caught up on bills; find a job. a man please pray over his life as he adjusts to many changes in his life. He is living in a new apartment, and grieving the loss of his ex. She died 4 months ago.

Praise God for the good news going forth and positive relationships being built on Tuesday nights. Pray for continued relationship building, continued growth in Jesus, and steps toward establishing church homes for those without one.



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