

*Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont, Illinois*

**Lent 6**

**Wednesday, March 24, 2021**

**6:30 PM**

*Thanks to Rev. Gary Fortkamp for leading the service in  
Pastor Wright's absence*



## **Windows of Lent: St. Mark, the Evangelist**

*(Stand as the minister enters the sanctuary.)*

### **LENT VERSICLES**

- L** O Lord, open my lips,  
**C** and my mouth will declare Your praise.

**L** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;  
**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.

**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.**  
**Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.**

**+ PSALMODY +**

**PSALM 119:9–16**

<sup>9</sup>How can a young man keep his way pure?

**By guarding it according to your word.**

<sup>10</sup>With my whole heart I seek you;

**let me not wander from your commandments!**

<sup>11</sup>I have stored up your word in my heart,

**that I might not sin against you.**

<sup>12</sup>Blessèd are you, O LORD;

**teach me your statutes!**

<sup>13</sup>With my lips I declare

**all the just decrees of your mouth.**

<sup>14</sup>In the way of your testimonies I delight

**as much as in all riches.**

<sup>15</sup>I will meditate on your precepts

**and fix my eyes on your ways.**

<sup>16</sup>I will delight in your statutes;

**I will not forget your word.**

**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.**

*(Sit)*

**HYMN 433 GLORY BE TO JESUS**

**1** **Glory be to Jesus,**  
**Who in bitter pains**  
**Poured for me the lifeblood**  
**From His sacred veins!**

**2** **Grace and life eternal**  
**In that blood I find;**  
**Blest be His compassion,**  
**Infinitely kind!**

**3** **Blest through endless ages**  
**Be the precious stream**  
**Which from endless torment**  
**Did the world redeem!**

- 4 **Abel's blood for vengeance  
Pleaded to the skies;  
But the blood of Jesus  
For our pardon cries.**
- 5 **Oft as earth exulting  
Wafts its praise on high,  
Angel hosts rejoicing  
Make their glad reply.**
- 6 **Lift we, then, our voices,  
Swell the mighty flood;  
Louder still and louder  
Praise the precious blood!**

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## + READINGS +

### **READING FROM THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST COMPILED FROM THE FOUR GOSPELS Part V. Calvary (Altar Book page 497-500).**

#### **READING RESPONSE**

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

Various Readings regarding St. Mark, Evangelist  
When Peter realized this, he went to the house of Mary, the mother of John whose other name was Mark, where many were gathered together and were praying. [Acts 12:12](#)

And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem when they had fulfilled their mission, bringing with them John whose other name was Mark. [Acts 12:25](#)

When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews. And they had John to assist them. [Acts 13:5](#)

Now Paul and his company set sail from Paphos, and came to Perga in Pamphylia. And John left them and returned to Jerusalem; but they passed on from Perga and came to Antioch of Pisidia. [Acts 13:13-14](#)

And Barnabas wanted to take with them John called Mark. But Paul thought best not to take with them one who had withdrawn from them in Pamphylia, and had not gone with them to the work.

And there arose a sharp contention, so that they separated from each other; Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus, but Paul chose Silas and departed, being commended by the brethren to the grace of the Lord. [Acts 15:37-40]

Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. [2 Timothy 4:11]

## READING RESPONSE

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORY

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- L** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.
- C** **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**
- L** In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.
- C** **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**
- L** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.
- C** **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**

## SERMON: The Windows of Lent: St. Mark the Evangelist

### + CANTICLE +

## 518 BY ALL YOUR SAINTS IN WARFARE

sts. 1, 15, 3

- 1 **By all Your saints in warfare,  
For all Your saints at rest,  
Your holy name, O Jesus,  
Forevermore be blest!  
For You have won the battle  
That they might wear the crown;  
And now they shine in glory  
Reflected from Your throne.**

*St. Mark, Evangelist*

- 15 **For Mark, O Lord, we praise You,  
The weak by grace made strong,  
Whose labors and whose Gospel  
Enrich our triumph song.  
May we, in all our weakness,  
Reflect Your servant life  
And follow in Your footsteps,  
Enduring cross and strife.**

*(Stand)*

- 3** Then let us praise the Father  
And worship God the Son  
And sing to God the Spirit,  
Eternal Three in One,  
Till all the ransomed number  
Fall down before the throne,  
Ascribing pow'r and glory  
And praise to God alone.

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*(Sit)*

## SERMON: THE WINDOWS OF LENT: ST. MARK, EVANGELIST

### + PRAYER +

*(Stand)*

## KYRIE

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**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## LORD'S 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.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** Almighty God, 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.

**Additional Collects (Amen to each).**

**COLLECT FOR PEACE**

**L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**BENEDICAMUS**

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**L** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**BENEDICTION**

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**P** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** Amen.

**After the service all are invited to enjoy a take-home meal provided by the youth of the congregation.**

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