

Midweek Lenten Worship
Wednesday, March 13, 2024 – 11:00 a.m.
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Welcome!

To our guests and visitors:

We are glad that you are here with us today!
If you have no church home, consider joining us?
Please speak to Pastor Parrish after the service!

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

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

Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies;
But the blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries.

Lift we, then, our voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious blood!

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P We place our trust in many things and in many people, yet often that trust is misplaced. Things do not work out as we planned, and people may fail us.

C **Where do we place our trust?**

P “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

C **How do we know that the Lord can be trusted?**

- P “He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?” (Romans 8:32) God sent his own Son to suffer and die on the cross for the sake of our salvation. In him, we place our trust, and he will never fail us.
- C **Lord, set the cross before us to guide us in trusting you.**

Confession and Forgiveness

- P Let us confess our sins to God, and ask his forgiveness.
- C **Almighty God, you have called us to trust in you and to acknowledge you in all our ways. Yet we often fail to trust you as we should. We would rather acknowledge our own desires instead of your will. We do not love others as we should. We follow the temptations of the world around us instead of walking in your ways. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.**
- P The apostle Paul wrote, “The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (1 Timothy 1:15). God has had mercy on us and sent his Son to be our Savior. I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
- C **Lord, lead us to walk in your ways and to trust you in all things.**

Prayer of the Day

- P Almighty God, we place our trust in friends and family, in political leaders and authority figures. Yet sometimes we are disappointed by those in whom we trust; sometimes our trust is misplaced. We trust in you for our eternal salvation through faith in Jesus our Savior.
- Help us by your Spirit to trust you daily in all things and to turn to you with prayer and praise in all of the circumstances of our lives. You have sent your Son to be our Savior, and you will never fail us. Set his cross always before us to guide us in trusting you. Hear our prayer, and accept our praise in Jesus’ name.
- C **Amen.**

Hymn

Lord of Glory You Have Bought Us

LSB 851:1,2,4

Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice;
And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand
To the_unthankful and the evil With Your own unsparing hand.

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Gladly, freely of Your own.
With the sunshine of Your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice.
Give us faith to trust You boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on You;
But, oh, best of all Your graces, With Your love our love renew.

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading

1 Timothy 1:15-17

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

John 19:29-30

A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn Salvation Unto Us Has Come LSB 555:1,6

Salvation unto us has come
By God's free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom,
They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
Who did for all the world atone;
He is our one Redeemer.

Since Christ has full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.

Sermon Guided To Trust 1 Timothy 1:15

The Offering

**Faith Statement for Confirmation –
Samuel George Langemo - Why I Worship God as Trinity.**

Prayer of the Church

P Lord God, in a world where it is hard to know in whom or in what we can trust, we place our trust in you. You always keep your promises. Down through the centuries, the prophets announced your promise to send your Anointed One, the Messiah. When the time was right, that promise was fulfilled in Jesus. Our God and Savior, during this Lenten season,

C **Set the cross of Jesus before us to guide us in the way of trust.**

P Lord God, as Jesus drew near to the hour of his death, he trusted in you, his heavenly Father, to guide his steps to the cross as the Scripture had foretold. We place our trust in Jesus alone for our salvation. Bless and guide us as we take up our crosses and follow our Savior. Our God and Savior, during this Lenten season,

C **Set the cross of Jesus before us to guide us in the way of trust.**

P Lord God, help those who are struggling with illness, pain or grief, those we name now [mention known names of those who are hurt, injured or grieving] and those we name in our hearts. Comfort them with the promises of your Word and lead us to opportunities to serve them in Jesus' name. Our God and Savior, during this Lenten season,

C **Set the cross of Jesus before us to guide us in the way of trust.**

P Lord God, help us by your Spirit to depend on you each day, in all of the circumstances of our lives. Teach us not to rely on our own understanding, but to trust you in all things. We know that you will guide us. Our God and Savior, during this Lenten season,

C **Set the cross of Jesus before us to guide us in the way of trust.**

P Lord God, as we rely on you for help now in this earthly life, we know that we can trust in you for our eternal salvation through faith in Jesus. Our Lord has promised, "Surely I am coming soon" (Revelation 22:20). We look forward to the fulfillment of that promise and to life in your presence forever. Our God and Savior, during this Lenten season,

C **Set the cross of Jesus before us to guide us in the way of trust. Amen**

Lord's Prayer

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

Benediction

P Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.
C **In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.**

P The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus LSB 729:1,2,3,6

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation,
Great and free.

I am trusting Thee for pardon;
At Thy feet I bow,
For Thy grace and tender mercy
Trusting now.

I am trusting Thee for cleansing
In the crimson flood;
Trusting Thee to make me holy
By Thy blood.

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever
And for all.

