

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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OPENING VERSICLES



LENT

- P** This is the day which the Lord
has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its
setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be
praised.



P Return to the Lord, your God,
for He is gracious and merciful,

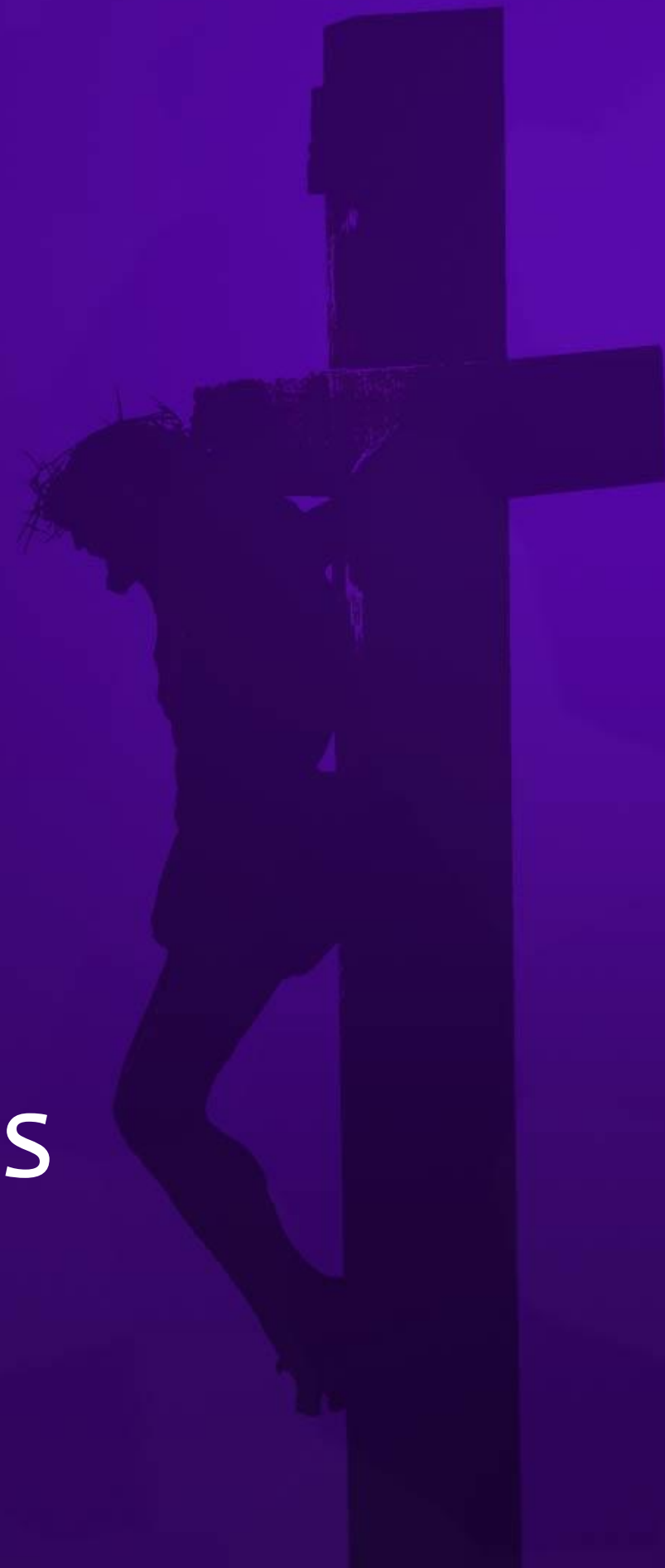
C **slow to anger, and abounding
in steadfast love, and repents
of evil.**

P Jesus said: If any man would
come after Me,

C **let him deny himself and take**



- C** up his cross and follow Me.
- P** Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
- C** He was bruised for our iniquities.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,



C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

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.



HYMN: 936 SING PRAISE TO THE GOD OF ISRAEL



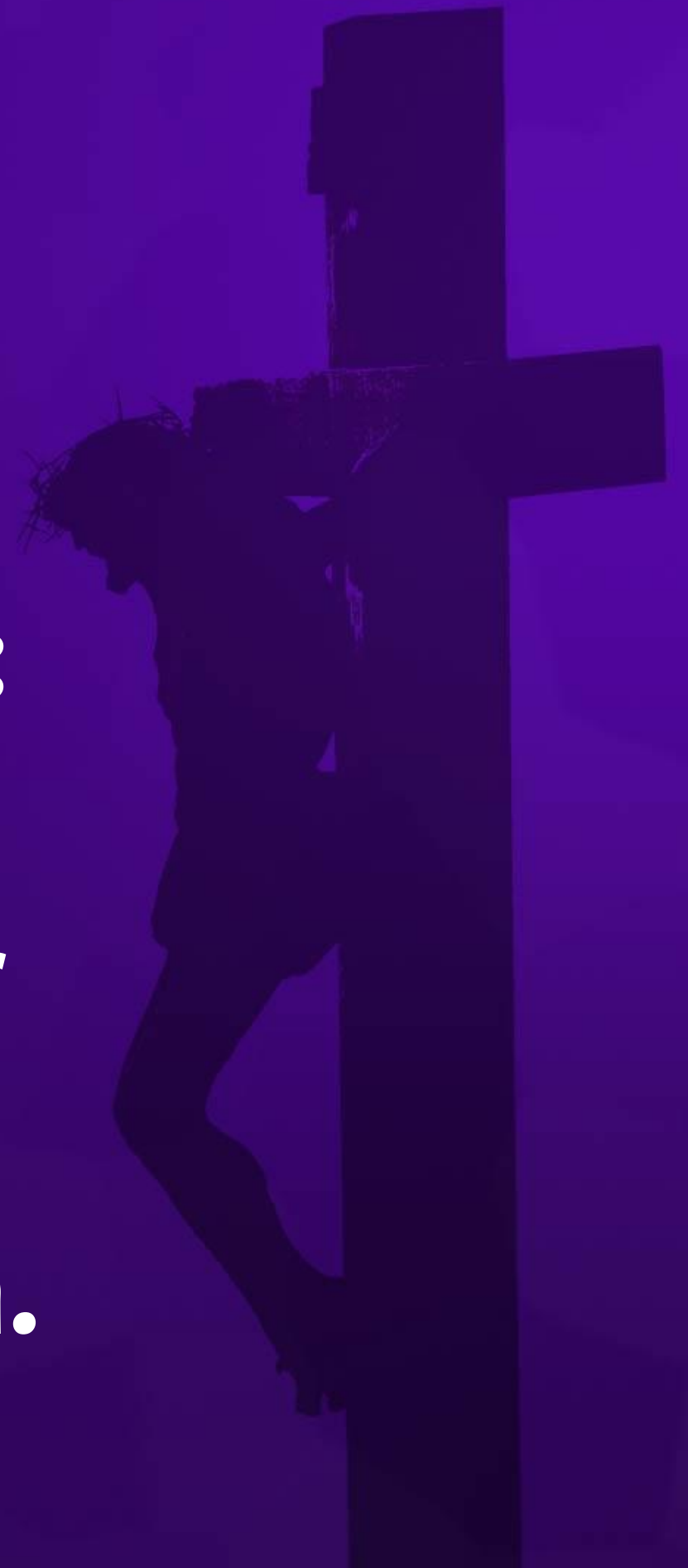
Sing praise to the God of Israel!
Sing praise for His visitation!
Redeeming His people from their
sin,
Accomplishing their salvation,
Upraising a mighty horn within
The house of His servant David!



God spoke by the prophets long
ago,

His promise on oath recalling—
To Abraham made in former years:
Of vanquishing foes appalling,
That those He delivered from their
fears

Might gladly and truly serve Him.



**You, child, will go on before the
Lord**

**As prophet, His way preparing;
To speak on behalf of God Most
High,**

**His counsel of truth declaring:
Rich mercy and grace for all
whereby**



Iniquity is forgiven.



**O bright, rising Sun, now shine on
us**

**In need of illumination;
Come scatter the shades of sin and
death**

**And shatter their domination.
Be guiding our footsteps on the
path**



**Of peace, in Your presence
dawning!**



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READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE



EZEKIEL 37:1–14

The Valley of Dry Bones

¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and



behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” ⁴Then he said to me, “Prophecy over these bones, and



say to them, O dry bones, hear
the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says
the Lord GOD to these bones:
Behold, I will cause breath to
enter you, and you shall live.
⁶And I will lay sinews upon you,
and will cause flesh to come
upon you, and cover you with
skin, and put



breath in you, and you shall live,
and you shall know that I am the
LORD.”

⁷So I prophesied as I was
commanded. And as I
prophesied, there was a sound,
and behold, a rattling, and the
bones came together, bone to its
bone. ⁸And I



looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord



**GOD: Come from the four winds,
O breath, and breathe on these
slain, that they may live.”¹⁰ So I
prophesied as he commanded
me, and the breath came into
them, and they lived and stood
on their feet, an exceedingly
great army.**

¹¹Then he said to me, “Son of



man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.'¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O



my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land.



Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



PSALM 130; ANTIPHON: V. 7

My Soul Waits for the LORD

¹Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD!

²O Lord, hear my voice!

**Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for
mercy!**



**3If you, O LORD, should mark
iniquities,**

O Lord, who could stand?

**4But with you there is
forgiveness,**

that you may be feared.

**5I wait for the LORD, my soul
waits,**

and in his word I hope.



⁶my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the
morning,
more than watchmen for the
morning.

⁷⁰ Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is
steadfast love,



**and with him is plentiful
redemption.**

**⁸And he will redeem Israel
from all his iniquities.**



ROMANS 8:1–11

Life in the Spirit

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done



what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but



according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the



Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the



**Spirit of God dwells in you.
Anyone who does not have the
Spirit of Christ does not belong
to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you,
although the body is dead
because of sin, the Spirit is life
because of righteousness. ¹¹If the
Spirit of him who raised Jesus**



from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



HYMN: 552 O CHRIST, WHO SHARED OUR MORTAL LIFE

Tune: LSB 444 – No Tramp of Soldier's Marching Feet



O Christ, who shared our mortal
life

And ended death's long reign,
Who healed the sick and raised
the dead

And bore our grief and pain:
We know our years on earth are
few,



**That death is always near.
Come now to us, O Lord of Life;
Bring hope that conquers fear!**



Raising of Lazarus (John 11:1–45)

Two weeping sisters, worn by
grief

And mired in depths of gloom,
Stood watching where their
brother lay

Within a rock-sealed tomb.
When, Lord, You met them as



they mourned,
You wept compassion's tear.
But Martha, sore with sorrow,
said,
“He'd lived had You been
here!”



“I am the Lord of life and death!”

You answered Martha’s cry,

**“And all who hear and trust My
Word**

Shall live, although they die!”

**You walked the path to Laz’rus’
tomb,**

You called him forth by name,



**And living, loving once again,
From death to life he came!**



**Death's power holds us still in
thrall**

**And bears us toward the tomb.
Death's dark'ning cloud hangs
like a pall**

**That threatens earth with
doom.**

But You have broken death's



embrace

**And torn away its sting.
Restore to life our mortal race!
Raise us, O Risen King!**



JOHN 11:17–27, 38–53

I Am the Resurrection and the Life

¹⁷When Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to



console them concerning their brother. ²⁰So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that



whatever you ask from God, God will give you.”²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life.



Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.” . . .



Jesus Raises Lazarus

³⁸Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it.

³⁹Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for



he has been dead four days.”

⁴⁰Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you



always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me.”⁴³ When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.”⁴⁴ The man who had died came out, his hands and feet



bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

The Plot to Kill Jesus

⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in



4⁶but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. 4⁷So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the Council and said, “What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. 4⁸If we let him go on like this, everyone will



believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation.”⁴⁹ But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, “You know nothing at all.⁵⁰ Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die



for the people, not that the whole nation should perish.”⁵¹ He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation,⁵² and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who



are scattered abroad. ⁵³So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



RESPONSORY



RESPONSORY (LENT)

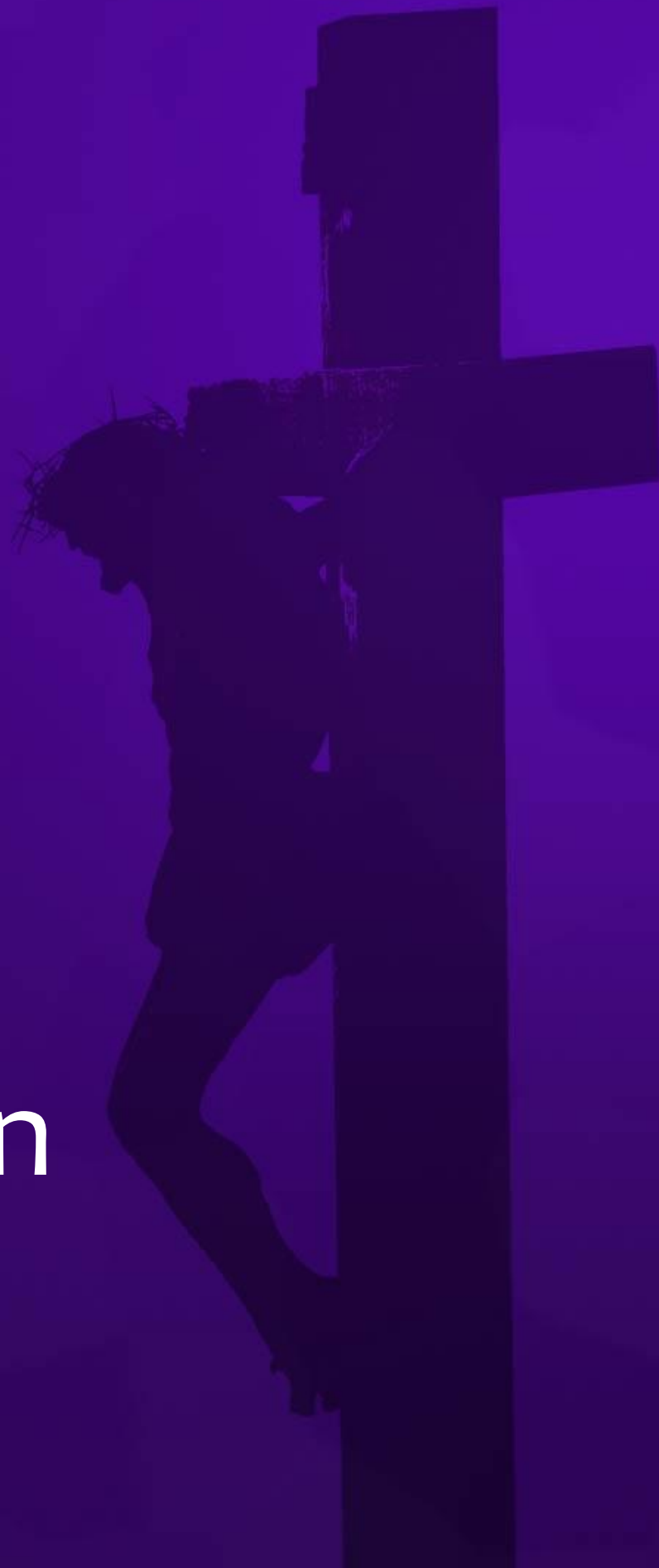
P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P Blessed is he whose



- P** transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.
- C** **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**
- P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.





He was delivered up to death;
He was delivered for the sins
of the people.



TEN COMMANDMENTS

- C** You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name
of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by
keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your
mother.





You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

**You shall not give false
testimony against your
neighbor.**

**You shall not covet your
neighbor's house.**



C You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.



APOSTLES' CREED

C 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



C 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.



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.



CHILDREN'S SERMON



SERMON



OFFERING



PRAYER

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.



P For the holy Christian Church,
here and scattered throughout
the world, and for the
proclamation of the Gospel
and the calling of all to faith,
let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this nation, for our cities



P and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.



P For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and



P for all those in prison, let us
pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the sick and dying and for
all those who care for them, let
us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For . . . *[additional bids for*



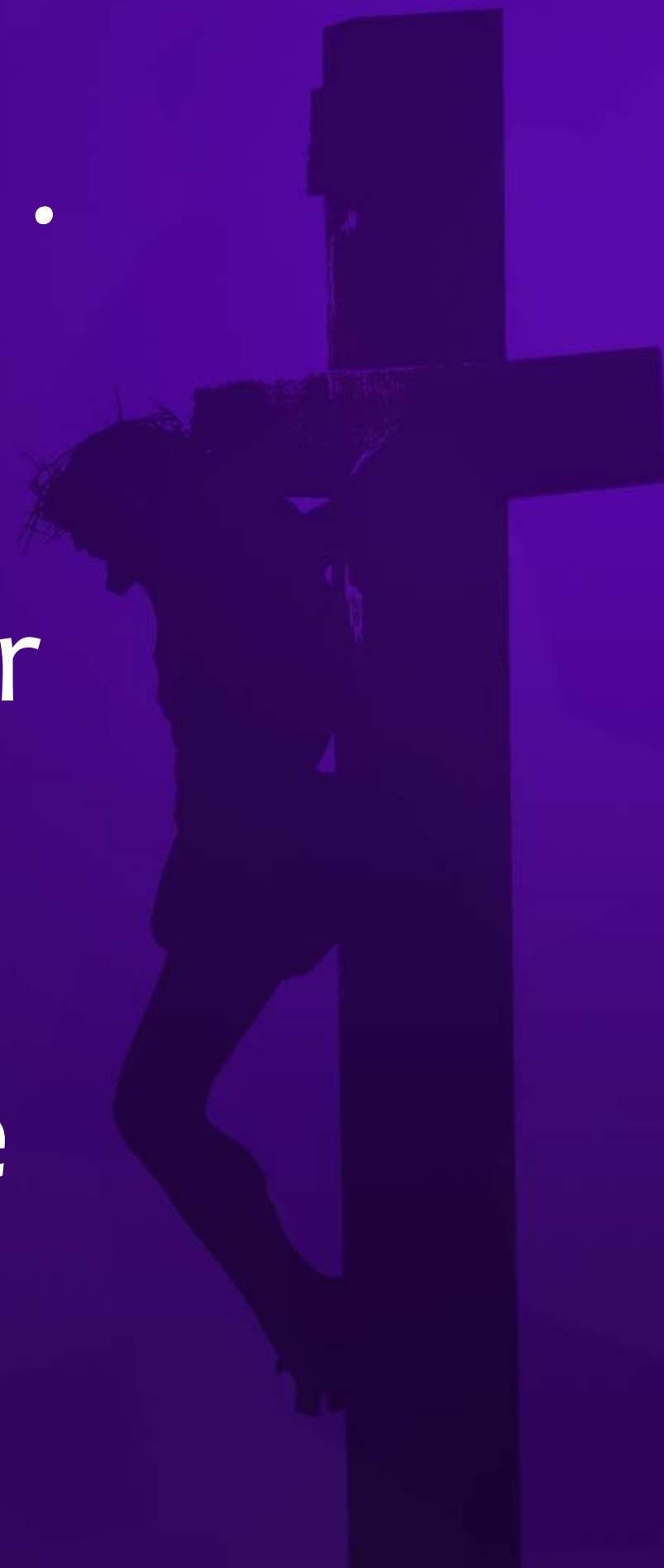
P *prayer may be inserted here] . . .*

let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

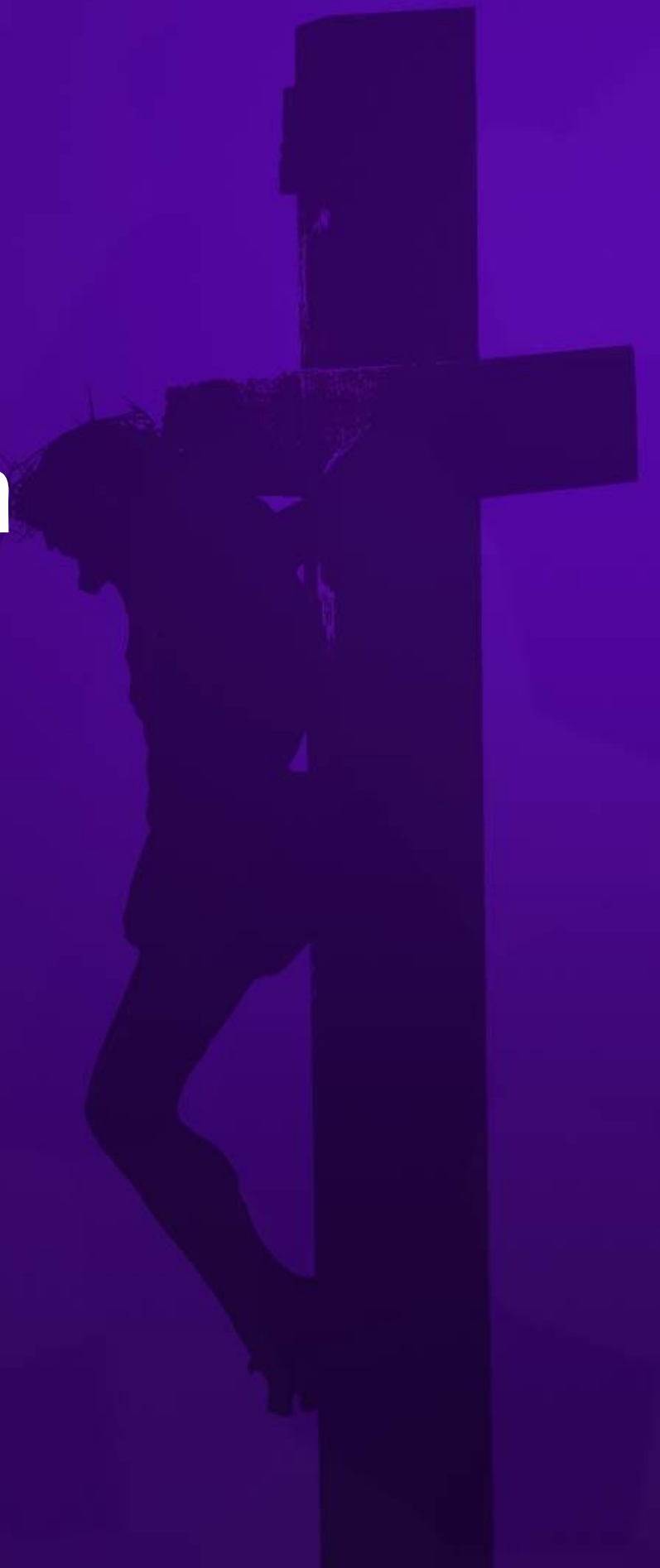
P Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**



LENT 5

P Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul;



P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.



COLLECT FOR THE WORD

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your



L holy Word, we may embrace
and ever hold fast the blessed
hope of everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ, Your Son,
our Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C Amen.



MORNING PRAYER

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every





evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.



NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE: 937
LORD, BID YOUR SERVANT GO IN
PEACE



**Lord, bid Your servant go in peace,
Your word is now fulfilled.
These eyes have seen salvation's
dawn,
This child so long foretold.**



**This is the Savior of the world,
The Gentiles' promised light,
God's glory dwelling in our midst,
The joy of Israel.**



**With saints of old, with saints to
come,**

**To You we lift our voice;
To Father, Son, and Spirit blest
Be honor, love, and praise.**



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BLESSING



BENEDICAMUS

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



BENEDICTION

P The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the ✠ Son, and the
Holy Spirit, bless and preserve
us.

C Amen.



CALL FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

CLOSING HYMN: LSB 430
My Song Is Love Unknown



**My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh and die?**



He came from His blest throne
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend,
My friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!



In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.



Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!

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SEE YOU NEXT WEEK

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