Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord

LSB 771

- Be still, my soul, before the Lord, For God is always near. Before your mind is moved to pray, God listens and will hear.
- 2 You need not multiply your words Nor pray with practiced art. Beyond all speech, God understands The hunger of your heart.
- Wait, then, in quiet confidence, Your anxious thoughts at rest. God knows your needs before you ask And works for what is best.
- 4 Be still, my soul, before the Lord; On God in patience wait.

 God's love, unseen, surrounds your life; God's help will not be late.

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Invocation LSB 151

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the

children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

Kyrie LSB 152

- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

On My Heart Imprint Your Image

LSB 422

On my heart imprint Your image, Blessèd Jesus, King of grace, That life's riches, cares, and pleasures Never may Your work erase; Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me, Is my life, my hope's foundation, And my glory and salvation!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16

Epistle Romans 5:1-11

Lenten Verse LSB 157

Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

Holy Gospel

Mark 8:27–38

As Jesus Graced the Temple Court (Tune: LSB 444)

- As Jesus graced the temple court He found corruption's stain As vile thieves sought to extort His Father's house for gain. Propelled then by a righteous rage. He drove the vermin out. Upturning tables, unassuaged, He taught them with a shout.
- Remember well Isaiah's call, "My house shall now be named: 2 A house of prayer for one and all, For ev'ry nation's claim." Yet you have made this house of prayer A den of thieves and cheats. Be now evicted from your lair, Reclaimed for godly feats.
- The scribes and Pharisees devised A plan for Jesus' end. His death and agony they prized. His martyrdom they penned. But in their ignorance and spite They failed to hear His claim. He was the greater temple site, Whom death could not contain. Text: Andrew R. Jones. Copyright © 2020 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Sermon

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.

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Collect for the Church

- P Almighty God, grant to Your Church ... one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Benediction LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and

→ give you peace.

C Amen.

Glory Be to Jesus

LSB 433

- 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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