

I Have Sinned

Midweek of Lent 2

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AS WE GATHER

Our Lord Jesus Christ is the subject of all the Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments. But some passages say puzzling and seemingly impossible things about Him. Consider Psalm 41:4: “O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against You.” David, the writer of this psalm, was indeed a sinner who needed God’s gracious forgiveness. How puzzling it is that we would apply this confession of sin to our sinless Lord! But Paul writes, “For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God” (2 Corinthians 5:21). In your Baptism, your sinless Jesus has joined Himself to you and has fulfilled all the words that testify of Him.

HYMN

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

LSB 437

+ PREPARATION +

INVOCATION

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 25:1-2a, 4-6, 8

[P] To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

[C] O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame.

[P] Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths.

[C] Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation;
for You I wait all the day long.

[P] Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

[C] Good and upright is the LORD; therefore He instructs sinners in the way.

CALL TO CONFESSION

[P] Let us make our confession to our God, seeking His grace and forgiveness.

HYMN**“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”***LSB 609:1-4***ABSOLUTION**

[P] The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

[C] Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**SALUTATION**

[P] The Lord be with you.

[C] And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY**HYMN****“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”***LSB 450:1 & 4***OLD TESTAMENT READING***2 Samuel 12:15b-23*

^{15b}The LORD afflicted the child that Uriah’s wife bore to David, and he became sick. ¹⁶David therefore sought God on behalf of the child. And David fasted and went in and lay all night on the ground. ¹⁷And the elders of his house stood beside him, to raise him from the ground, but he would not, nor did he eat food with them. ¹⁸On the seventh day the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they said, “Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spoke to him, and he did not listen to us. How then can we say to him the child is dead? He may do himself some harm.” ¹⁹But when David saw that his servants were whispering together, David understood that the child was dead. And David said to his servants, “Is the child dead?” They said, “He is dead.” ²⁰Then David arose from the earth and washed and anointed himself and changed his clothes. And he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. He then went to his own house. And when he asked, they set food before him, and he ate. ²¹Then his servants said to him, “What is this thing that you have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive; but when the child died, you arose and ate food.” ²²He said, “While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept, for I said, ‘Who knows whether the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?’” ²³But now he is dead. Why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he will not return to me.”

[P] O Lord, have mercy on us.

[C] Thanks be to God.

SERIES PSALM**“Be Gracious to Me”***Psalms 41:3-5*

[A] May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us.

[C] May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us.

[A] The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness You restore him to full health. As for me, I said, “O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against You!” My enemies say of me in malice, “When will he die and his name perish?”

[C] May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us.

EPISTLE READING*1 Peter 2:19-25*

¹⁹This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in His steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. ²³When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. ²⁴He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

[P] O Lord, have mercy on us.

[C] Thanks be to God.

HYMN

“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”

LSB 422

On my heart imprint Your image, blessed 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!

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HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:29-32

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is He of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because He was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know Him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that He might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on Him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN

“Upon the Cross Extended”

LSB 453

SERMON: “I HAVE SINNED” - *Psalms 41:4*

LENTEN OFFERING

THE LITANY

P O Lord,

C have mercy.

P O Christ,

C have mercy.

P O Lord,

C have mercy.

P O Christ,

C hear us.

P God the Father in heaven,

C have mercy.

P God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

C have mercy.

P God the Holy Spirit,

C have mercy.

P Be gracious to us.

C Spare us, good Lord.

P Be gracious to us.

C Help us, good Lord.

P From all sin, from all error, from all evil; From the crafts and assaults of the devil;
from sudden and evil death;
From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion;
From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

C Good Lord, deliver us.

P By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity; By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial; By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

C Help us, good Lord.

P In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

C Help us, good Lord.

P We poor sinners implore You

C to hear us, O Lord.

P To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living; To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived; To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weak hearted and the distressed:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need; To direct and defend our president and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people; To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel; To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them; To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

C we implore You to hear us.

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C have mercy.

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C have mercy.

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C grant us Your peace.

P O Christ,

C hear us.

P O Lord,

C have mercy.

P O Christ,

C have mercy.

P O Lord,

C have mercy. 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.

HYMN INTRODUCTION

HYMN

“My Song Is Love Unknown”

LSB 430:1 & 3

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

☐ Let us pray.

☐ I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. 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. Amen.

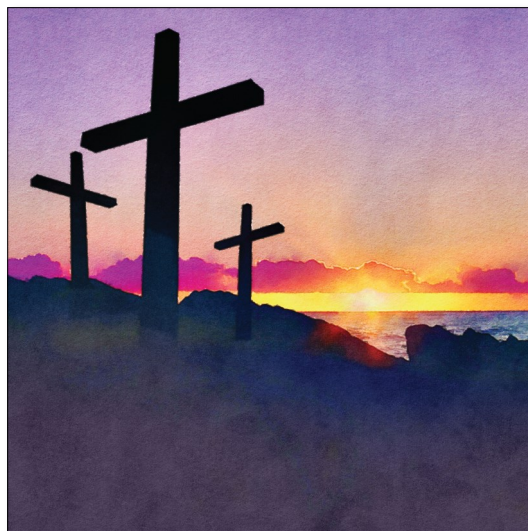
BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

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**St. John's Lutheran Church
2024 Lenten & Holy Week Worship Service
Schedule and Activities**



**Lenten Worship Services, Suppers & Study
Wednesdays, March 6, 13, & 20**

Midweek Lenten Services: 4:00 pm

Midweek Lenten Suppers: 5:00-6:30 pm in the School Cafeteria/Gym

Midweek Lenten Bible Study: "Be Gracious to Me", weekly Bible study, led by Pastor Jack, 6:30 pm in the Heritage House.



**Holy Week Worship Services
March 24-March 30**

Palm Sunday Services: *March 24*

9:00 am: 2024 Youth Rite of Confirmation & 1st Holy Communion - Sanctuary

11:00 am: Contemporary - Gym

Maundy Thursday Service: *March 28*

7:00 pm with Communion

Good Friday: *March 29*

Tenebrae Service: "Service of Darkness", 7:00 pm

Prayer Vigil: Starts at 8:00 pm - Marie Pfarr Room

Holy Saturday Service: *March 30*

6:00 pm with Communion

Easter Sunday Services: *March 31*

9:00 & 11:00 am with Communion

No Sunday School Classes, but please attend:

10:00 am: Easter Egg Hunt for All Ages up to 6th Grade
(Meet on the softball field)

10:15 am: Our Family Easter Breakfast
hosted by the Cafeteria Bible Study Group

Please Join Us — All Are Welcome!