**Kenley Joe German**

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St. Peter Lutheran Church (LCMS)

Deshler, Nebraska

11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 20, 2021

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WELCOME

HYMN: “IN THE GARDEN” TOSB 261

 1. I come to the garden alone

 While the dew is still on the roses;

 And the voice I hear falling on my ear

 The Son of God discloses.

 *Refrain:* *And He walks with me and He talks with me,*

 *And He tells me I am His own.*

 *And the joy we share as we tarry there,*

 *None other has ever known.*

 2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice

 Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;

 And the melody that He gave to me

 Within my heart is ringing *Refrain*

 3. I’d stay in the garden with Him

 Though the night around me be falling;

 But He bids me go thru the voice of woe;

 His voice to me is calling *Refrain*

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

 C **Amen.**

REMEMBRANCE OF HOLY BAPTISM

P In Holy Baptism Kenley was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all his sin. St. Paul says, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

C **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.**

PSALM 23

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

KYRIE

 P Lord, have mercy upon us.

 C **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

 **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

 P The Lord be with you.

 C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Kenley and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal 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.**

FIRST READING: REVELATION 7:9-17

*A Great Multitude from Every Nation*

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

“Therefore they are before the throne of God,

and serve him day and night in his temple;

and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of living water,

 and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

 P This is the Word of the Lord.

 C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE: 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

 P This is the Word of the Lord.

 C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 3:13-18

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

 No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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 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 T everlasting. Amen.**

READING OF THE OBITUARY

RECORDED MUSIC “You Raise Me Up”

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

 *After each portion of the prayers:*

 P Lord, in Your mercy,

 C **hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.**

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

 P Let us bless the Lord.

 C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

 C **Amen.**

 P Let us go forth in peace,

 C **in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: “THE OLD RUGGED CROSS” TOSB 220

 1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,

 The emblem of suff’ring and shame;

 And I love that old cross where the dearest and best

 For a world of lost sinners was slain.

*(Refrain) So I’ll cherish the old rugged cross,*

 *Till my trophies at last I lay down;*

 *I will cling to the old rugged cross,*

 *And exchange it some day for a crown.*

 2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,

 Has a wondrous attraction for me;

 For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above

 To bear it to dark Calvary. *(Refrain)*

 3. In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,

 A wondrous beauty I see;

 For ‘twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died

 To pardon and sanctify me. *(Refrain)*

 4. To the old rugged cross, I will ever be true,

 Its shame and reproach gladly bear;

 Then He’ll call me some day to my home far away,

 Where His glory forever I’ll share. *(Refrain)*

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