



# Behold, the Lamb of God

Lent Midweek V - March 29, 2017

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*Prayer at the Close of the Day*

THEME HYMN

*"The Lamb"*

## Verse 1

The Lamb, the Lamb,  
O Father, where's the sacrifice?  
Faith sees, believes  
God will provide the Lamb of price!  
Worthy is the Lamb Whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

## Verse 2

The Lamb, the Lamb,  
One perfect final offering.  
The Lamb, the Lamb,  
Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.  
Worthy is the Lamb Whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

## Verse 3

The Lamb, the Lamb,  
As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
So still, His will  
On our behalf the Law to fill.  
Worthy is the Lamb Whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

## Verse 4

He sighs, he dies,  
He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
He lives, forgives,  
He gives me His own righteousness.  
Worthy is the Lamb Whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

## CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

**Amen.**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

**to sing praise to Your name, O Most High.**

To herald Your love in the morning,

**Your truth at the close of the day.**

## CONFESSION

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for self-examination*

**I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own fault, my own grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.**

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

**Amen.**

## PRAYER

### THE SUFFERING SERVANT

Part IV: Isaiah 53:7-8

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
**yet he opened not his mouth;**

like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,  
**and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,  
so he opened not his mouth.**

By oppression and judgment he was taken away;  
**and as for his generation, who considered**

that he was cut off out of the land of the living,  
**stricken for the transgression of my people?**

Verse 1

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
That caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

Verse 2

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb,  
Who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

Verse 3

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing His love for me,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And through eternity I'll sing on.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup>“This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers’ houses, a lamb for a household. <sup>4</sup>And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, <sup>6</sup>and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

<sup>7</sup>“Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. <sup>10</sup>And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD’s Passover. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSE**

*“Just as I Am, without One Plea”*

**Verse 1**

**Just as I am, without one plea  
But that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bidd’st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

<sup>14</sup>“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.”

<sup>15</sup>Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven out of your houses, for if anyone eats what is leavened, from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel. <sup>16</sup>On the first day you shall hold a holy assembly, and on the seventh day a holy assembly. No work shall be done on those days. But what everyone needs to eat, that alone may be prepared by you. <sup>17</sup>And you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day, throughout your generations, as a statute forever. <sup>18</sup>In the first month, from the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month at evening. <sup>19</sup>For seven days no leaven is to be found in your houses. If anyone eats what is leavened, that person will be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he is a sojourner or a native of the land. <sup>20</sup>You shall eat nothing leavened; in all your dwelling places you shall eat unleavened bread.”

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSE**

*“Just as I Am, without One Plea”*

**Verse 2**

**Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

<sup>21</sup>Then Moses called all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go and select lambs for yourselves according to your clans, and kill the Passover lamb. <sup>22</sup>Take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and touch the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. <sup>23</sup>For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians, and when he sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you. <sup>24</sup>You shall observe this rite as a statute for you and for your sons forever. <sup>25</sup>And when you come to the land that the LORD will give you, as he has promised, you shall keep this service. <sup>26</sup>And when your children say to you, ‘What do you mean by this service?’ <sup>27</sup>you shall say, ‘It is the sacrifice of the LORD’s Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.’” And the people bowed their heads and worshiped. <sup>28</sup>Then the people of Israel went and did so; as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSE**

*“Just as I Am, without One Plea”*

Verse 5

**Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

Verse 6

**Just as I am; Thy love unknown  
Has broken ev’ry barrier down;  
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**SERMON**

*“Behold the Lamb of God- The Passover Lamb of Whom We Partake”*

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## PRAYERS

### LORD'S PRAYER

(inside back LSB cover)

### LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

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.

### BLESSING

The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.

**Amen.**

### CLOSING HYMN

*"Were You There"*

#### Verse 1

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh . . . Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

#### Verse 2

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Oh . . . Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

#### Verse 3

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

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Oh . . . Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

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### DISMISSAL