

# Fifth



**SUNDAY**  
**IN LENT**

Zion Lutheran Church  
210 North Wayne Street  
St. Marys, OH 45885

March 17, 2024  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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Setting 3

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PRELUDE

*Reverence*

Thygeron

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"The Old Rugged Cross"*

Back Cover

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father,  
and of the + Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: In this season of Lent, let us draw near to the Lord and  
examine our hearts and minds for the ways in which we  
have fallen short of the glory of God.

*(Stand/Kneel)*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.**

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.

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.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God,

Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,  
and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you  
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father,  
and of the + Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

#### **GREETING**

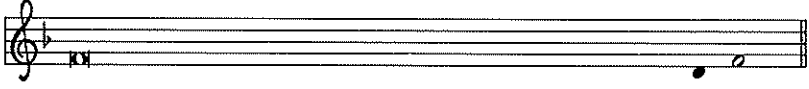
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



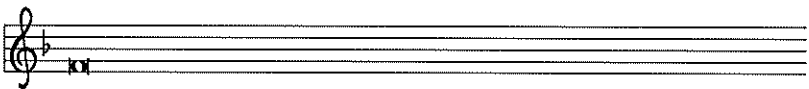
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



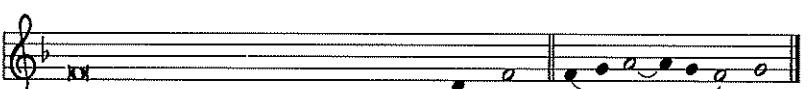
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Insert

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Insert

PSALM 119:9-16

Insert

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

Insert

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and  
 mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
 stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P: The holy gospel according to Saint Mark tenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL**

**Mark 10:35-45**

Insert

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Bill

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *"Bless Now, O God, the Journey"*

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## **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**L: Lord in your mercy...**

**C: Hear our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

**P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

## OFFERING

OFFERTORY 8:00 CHOIR: *There Is a Redeemer*

10:30 *Offertory*

Broughton

## CONGREGATIONAL SONG



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



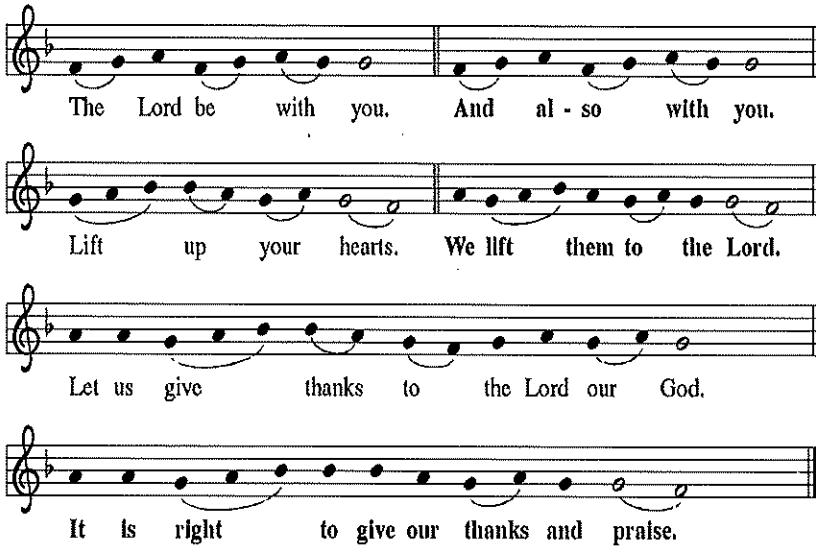
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

L: God of love, you have provided for our every need from your abundant bounty. Grant us grateful hearts that we may give generously to those in need and thereby show your love to the world around us.

C: Amen.

## DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

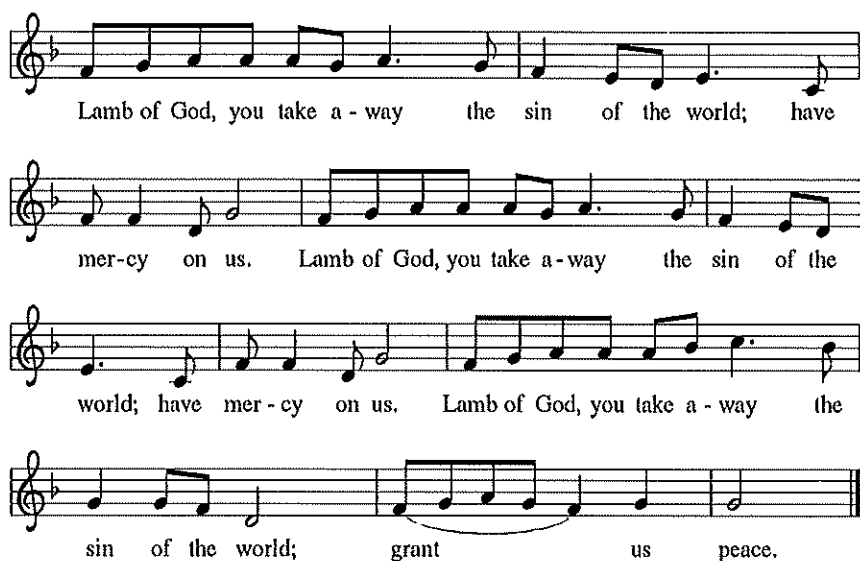
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.



## 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.

## COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

P The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Amen.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"*

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*"Here Is Bread"*

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### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

L: Let us pray.

Gracious God, you have gifted us with the bread and wine of this holy meal; fed us with the body and blood of your Son, our Lord; forgiven us and wiped away the shame of our sins. Make us bold to go out in the world proclaiming your love and mercy so all may be fed with this Bread of Life.

**C: Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

P: Pray in the Spirit at all times so that you may discern the will of God. Keep alert as you walk in faith. Speak with the boldness of the apostles who came before you so that all might know the good news. And may the Lord bless you and keep you, now and forever, in the name of the Father, the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 6)

**C: Amen.**

**SENDING SONG**     *“Chief of Sinners Though I Be”*

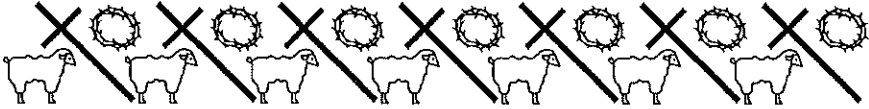
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### **DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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**Memory Verse:**

**Mark 10:38**

*Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?"*

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*Happy Anniversary!*

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Bob & Linda Suchland's 55<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on March 15<sup>th</sup>.*



*Happy 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday Becky!*

*The Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Becky Harvey's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 18 from her brothers, Richard & Roger.*

***Today, March 17\****

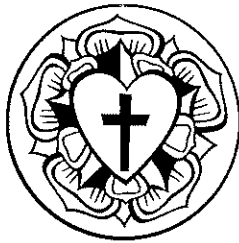
- Acolytes:** 8AM: Jessi Eberle  
10:30am: Maylee Fischbach
- Communion** 8AM: John Hesse  
**Assistants:** 10:30AM: Cheryl Macklem
- Crucifers:** 8AM: Bennett Glass  
10:30AM: Braylon Lampert
- Ushers:** 8AM: Dianne Uhlenhake, Jeanne Wurster,  
Jody Slemmons, Chris White  
10:30AM: Dan Macklem, Sandy Wierwille,  
Mark & Connie Torsell
- Fellowship** 8AM: Lorra & Andrew O'Bryan  
**Table:** 10:30AM: Sandy Wierwille
- Greeters:** 8AM: Nora Staunton, Sandy Wierwille  
10:30AM: Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie
- Readers:** 8AM: Eliza Yahl  
10:30: Dwayne Hoenie

***Next Sunday, March 24\****

- Acolytes:** 8AM: Colton Ankerman  
10:30am: Cason Meinerding
- Communion** 8AM: Jeanne Wurster  
**Assistants:** 10:30AM: Ann Maki
- Crucifers:** 8AM: Genevieve Brown  
10:30AM: Allison Ankerman
- Ushers:** 8AM: Deb Henning, Doug Stetler,  
Rhonda Weaver, Jeanne Wurster  
10:30AM: Dwayne Hoenie, Dana Cook,  
Keith Fledderjohann, Darl Bishir

**Fellowship** 8AM: Joyce Ross  
**Table:** 10:30AM: Debbie & Stan Brown  
**Greeters:** 8AM: Vic Von Blon, Chris White  
10:30AM: Cheryl Macklem, Joni Immenschuh  
**Readers:** 8AM: Linda Decker  
10:30: Darl Bishir

\* Subject to change, correct as of time printed



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ATTENDANCE .....	Last Wednesday: 69
..... Sunday 8 a.m.: 42, 10:30 a.m.: 46, Total for the Day: 88	
.....	Total for Week: 157
DIRECTOR OF BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION .....	
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CHURCH WEBSITE.....	<a href="http://www.zionstmarys.org">www.zionstmarys.org</a>
CHURCH OFFICE.....	419-394-3115

## Calendar for March 17-31, 2024

S/17	8:00 a.m.	Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Bring a Friend
	10:30 a.m.	Worship*
	6:30 p.m.	Underground
T/19	8:00 a.m.	Men's Workshop
	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/20	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	5:00 p.m.	Lenten Soup Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Lenten Service*
T/21	9:00 a.m.	Workday
	11:30 a.m.	Middle School Bible Release
S/23	10:00 a.m.	Community Easter Egg Hunt
	7:00 p.m.	St. Marys Tri-Squares
S/24	8:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Easter Egg Hunt
	10:30 a.m.	Palm Sunday Worship*
	5:00 p.m.	Seder Meal
T/26	8:00 a.m.	Men's Workshop
	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	9:30 a.m.	Anniversary Meeting
W/27	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Committee Meeting
Th/28	6:30 p.m.	Foot Washing
	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday/First Communion/ Striping of the Altar

F/29	12 Noon	Office Closes
	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service of Shadows
S/31	7:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Worship*
	8:00 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Easter Worship*

*\*Holy Communion*

*\*Livestreamed on [www.zionstmarys.org](http://www.zionstmarys.org) & on WCSM 96.7 Radio*

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**We invite you** to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Ronald Suchland, Vicki Bishir, Emily Henkle, Faith Williams, Don, Warren Hoenie, Bill & Carolyn Slemmons, Vicki Homan, Maria, Debra & Scott, Markham Hodge, Ed Morris, Allie Gross, Margaret Miller, Donna Maynard, Janet, Bill Fuller, Alan Bishir, Analisa Bouscaren, Carol Eshelman, Forrest Cooper, Kelsey, Anthony (Tony) Hardeman, Lisa Suchland, Eileen Zimmerman, Dyne Hoenie, Vic Von Blon, Don Applegate and Sandy Hasis.

**Please pray** for Sean Lawler, Andrew Johnson, Michael Carroll, Nathan Adams, Jacob Yahl, Daniel C. Lukac IV, Michael Franklin, Kyle Schmehl and Wyatt Duncan who are in the service. Please pray for them, their family, and their safe return home.

**Congratulations** to Caleb & Amber Yahl on the birth of their son, Alexander Edward Yahl.

**Thank you** to the Youth Board for taking care of this week's soup supper. Come and enjoy a Lenten Soup Supper starting at 5 p.m., in the Auditorium before our Lenten service.

**I would like** to thank my church family for all the love and support you have given me.

*Joni Immenschuh*

**Thank you** to everyone who donated items for the NALC Disaster Response. We were told the items picked up would go to help the wildfire victims. For disaster response updates go to: <https://thenalc.org/projects/disaster-response-updates/>

**The Family of Edwin Flora** would like to thank all the people of Zion for their thoughts and prayers for Ed. They were deeply appreciated.

**Our loose offering** each Sunday/Wednesday in March is for the 20/20 Vision which provides the pathway to ensuring a legacy of faith today, tomorrow & forever in all NALC congregations through four primary objectives: Grow, Serve, Renew and Fulfill. More details can be found at: <https://vision.thenalc.org>

**The trustees** are looking for individuals to help with mowing the church cemetery or the lawn around the church. If you are interested in one or both, contact the church office or Dana Cook.

**Check out** the lily form included in this bulletin. Deadline to order is today.

**Wayne Street Church** is holding their Annual Lenten Breakfast on **Saturday, March 23**, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The theme is "The Hands and Feet of Jesus". Everyone is invited.

**Our Seder Meal** will be held in the Auditorium beginning at 5 p.m., on **Palm Sunday, March 24**. We will once again have the traditional foods of the Seder and their meaning, along with roasted Lamb, Turkey breast, mashed potatoes, green beans, and wine. Please RSVP on your "I Worshipped Today" or call the office



to reserve you place for the event. Please let us know how many people you will be bringing to the meal.

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## Holy Week & Easter Services

- Maundy Thursday Service with students receiving their First Communion and Stripping of the Altar will be held on **Thursday, March 28**, at 7 p.m., in the sanctuary with Foot Washing at 6:30 p.m.\*
- Good Friday Service of Shadows will be held on **Friday, March 29**, at 7 p.m., in the sanctuary. This is a Non-Communion Service.
- **Easter Sunday, March 31:**
  - Easter Sunrise Traditional Service will be at 7 a.m.\*
  - Easter Breakfast will be from 8-9 a.m., in the Auditorium. If you plan to attend, please sign up on your "I Worshiped Today" or call the church office with the number attending.
  - Sunday School will be at its usual time of 9:15 a.m.
  - Easter Worship Service will be at 10:30 a.m.\*

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**The church office** will be closed at 12 noon on **Good Friday, March 29**.

**The Lenten Fundraiser** envelopes and daily reading schedule have been passed out. Hope everyone is using the Bible readings. Please return your offering envelope in the plate on **Easter Sunday, March 31**. Thank you for supporting the Women's missions and programs.

**Our next Zion** Lutheran Confirmand Reunions for 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be **Sunday, April 7**: Classes 2000 through 2009.

We are inviting the classes in this 10-year groups to be either at the 8 a.m. and/or the 10:30 a.m. services on this Sunday. Each will be recognized at the service.

At 9:15 a.m., after the 8:00 a.m. service, there will be a refreshments in the narthex to encourage fellowship among the confirmands and other members of Zion at that time.

**The 2024 Flower Chart** for the first 6 months is on the bulletin board by the alley entrance. We invite you to select the date you wish to provide flowers. On the Tuesday before the date you selected, order your arrangement from your favorite florist, and *contact the church office, 419-394-3115*, to let us know what information you would like included in the bulletin. Upcoming dates: **April 21 & 28.**

**In the past we** have been collecting ink cartridges and cell phones to recycle, as a fundraiser. In recent times businesses are no longer collecting or paying for these recyclables. The council has reached a decision to replace the collection of ink cartridges and phones, to collect new or good-used Bibles. The Bibles will be given to the NALC warehouse, they will hand out the Bibles to those who have experienced a natural disaster.

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**Would your child** like to be more involved in church services? Does your child enjoy "performing"? If so, the new group "Act Up" may be exactly what they are looking for.

"Act Up" will perform short skits periodically during church services. There is no memorization required, the skits are short (5 to 8 minutes long) and involve 2 to 8 characters. The skits have uplifting themes based on scripture. Practices will be held during Sunday School time. Depending on the number of children interested, there may be a choice of service preference.

Skits are already picked out waiting for your child to "Act Up" in church. Please checkmark on "I Worship Today" if you are interested.

For questions or more information please text or call Dianne Uhlenhake 419-305-5387.

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**The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee** is looking for a group of people to coordinate overseeing the development of a new picture directory. Contact the church office to volunteer, 419/394-3115.

**We have installed equipment** for livestreaming of our worship services. The worship services can be found on our Facebook page. Volunteers are needed to help with recording each of the services. Please contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill about this ministry.

**Our 8 a.m. worship service** is broadcast live on WCSM radio 96.7 FM. Thank you to our primary sponsor of our WCSM radio broadcast—St. Marys Chrysler. Volunteers are needed to help with the sound board. No experience needed! Anyone interested in running the sound board during worship will be trained. We would like to have more people for rotation purposes. Contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill if you can help.

<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>11 Week Budget</b>	<b>11 Week Income</b>	<b>Received 3/10</b>
\$6,271--Current	\$68,981	\$53,789	\$7,250
\$290--NALC Offering	\$3,190	\$1,544	\$150

# The Old Rugged Cross

*But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Galatians 6:14*

George Bennard 1873-1958

George Bennard, 1873-1958

On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross, The  
 Oh, that old rug - ged cross, so de - spised by the world, Has a  
 In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine, Such a  
 To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true; Its

em - blem of suf - fring and shame; And I love that old cross where the  
 won - drous at - trac - tion for me; For the dear Lamb of God left his  
 won - der - ful beau - ty I see; For 'twas on that old cross Je - sus  
 shame and re - proach glad - ly bear. Then he'll call me some - day to my

dear - est and best For a world of lost sin - ners was slain. So I'll  
 glo - ry a - bove To bear it to dark Cal va - ry.  
 suf - fered and died To par - don and sanc - ti - fy me.  
 home far a - way, Where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.

cher - ish the old rug - ged cross, Till my tro - phies at last I lay down. I will  
 cling to the old rug - ged cross, And ex - change it some - day for a crown.