



All the
ends of the earth
shall remember and
turn to the LORD...

Psalm 22:27, ESV

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5th Sunday in Lent

PRESERVICE PRAYER Heavenly Father, today I am approaching Your altar where I shall receive the true body and blood of Your Son sacrificed for me and my sin upon the cross. I know and confess my sin. I am unworthy of your forgiveness and salvation, but I come to you pleading the merits of Your Son. Bless my reception of this communion that I may gain confidence that You have forgiven all my sins. Help me to live according to Your holy will, defeating temptation in my daily life, and glorifying Your name before the world in all my words and actions. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: (p. 22 Worship Supplement 2000)

HYMN 149 Come to Calv'ry's Holy Mountain

1 Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the Fall;
Here a pure and healing fountain Flows to you, to me, to all,
In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.

2 Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within;
From infection and uncleanness, From the leprosy of sin,
Wash your robes and make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.

3 Come in sorrow and contrition, Wounded, impotent, and blind;
Here the guilty free remission, Here the troubled peace, may find.
Health this fountain will restore; He that drinks shall thirst no more.

4 He that drinks shall live forever; 'Tis a soul-renewing flood.
God is faithful; God will never Break His covenant of blood,
Signed when our Redeemer died, Sealed when He was glorified.

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

P: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Together let us pray.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven! With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 5:7-9

“*Christ*, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, ⁸ though He was a Son, *yet* He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. ⁹ And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.” (NKJV)

THE PASSION HISTORY LESSON: Jesus Is Scourged and Condemned!

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THE APOSTLES CREED

HYMN 171:1,2,5,9 Upon the Cross Extended

1 Upon the cross extended,
See, world, thy Lord suspended,
Thy Savior yields His breath.
The Prince of Life from heaven
Himself hath freely given
To shame and blows and bitter death.

2 Come hither now and ponder,
'Twill fill thy soul with wonder,
Blood streams from every pore.
Through grief whose depth none knoweth,
From His great heart there floweth
Sigh after sigh of anguish o'er.

5 'Tis I who should be smitten,
My doom should here be written:
Bound hand and foot in hell.
The fetters and the scourging,
The floods around Thee surging,
'Tis I who have deserved them well.

9 The cross I'll place before me,
Its saving power be o'er me,
Wherever I may be;
Thine innocence revealing
Thy love and mercy sealing,
The pledge of truth and constancy.

THE SERMON: John 12:20-33

Theme: Gentiles Coming to See Jesus Signaled:

I. It Was Time for Jesus' Mission of Redemption.

II. It Was Time for the Gospel to Go Out to the World.

SERMON TEXT: John 12:20-33

²⁰Now there were certain Greeks among those who came up to worship at the feast. ²¹Then they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked him, saying, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus."

²²Philip came and told Andrew, and in turn Andrew and Philip told Jesus.

²³ But Jesus answered them, saying, “The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified. ²⁴ Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain. ²⁵ He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor.

²⁷ “Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? But for this purpose I came to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify Your name.”

Then a voice came from heaven, *saying*, “I have both glorified *it* and will glorify *it* again.”

²⁹ Therefore the people who stood by and heard *it* said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to Him.”

³⁰ Jesus answered and said, “This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. ³² And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all *peoples* to Myself.” ³³ This He said, signifying by what death He would die. (NKJV)

PRAYER; THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN 163:1,4,6,9 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

1 The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord,
We celebrate with one accord;
It is our comfort in distress,
Our heart's sweet joy and happiness.

4 His Word proclaims, and we believe.
That in this Supper we receive
His very body, as He said,
His very blood for sinners shed.

6 Oh, blest is each believing guest
Who in this promise finds his rest,
For Jesus will in love abide
With those who do in Him confide.

9 Help us sincerely to believe
That we may worthily receive
Thy Supper and in Thee find rest.
Amen! he who believes is blest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The most wondrous assurance of His peace that God brings us is found in His coming to us in a visible way. Our Lord Jesus tells us that His body, the very body sacrificed on the cross for our sins, and His blood, the same blood that was shed for the remission of our sins, is literally present as we eat of the bread and drink of the wine in the Lord's Supper. As penitent sinners receive His body and blood we also receive His personal intimate assurance that He abides with us in peace. It is therefore important that communicants be able to examine themselves and repent of their sins before receiving the sacrament. If you are a visitor here please arrange to speak with the pastor before communing with us.

PRAYER:

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION;

C: Amen.

Hymn 173:1 Lord Jesus, We Give Thanks to Thee

1. Lord Jesus, we give thanks to Thee
That Thou hast died to set us free;
Made righteous thro' Thy precious blood,
We now are reconciled to God.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Thank you for coming to hear the Word.

Used bulletins should either be taken home or deposited in the wastepaper basket at the narthex door. Your offerings may be placed in the offering plate at the rear of the nave. Church Council is scheduled to follow the service this morning.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism via ZOOM beginning at 4:00p.m.

Midweek Lenten meditation begins at 7:00 p.m. This Lenten season our mediation series is entitled “**It’s All About Redemption**” reflecting Luther’s explanation to the second article of the Apostle’s Creed. Our sixth meditation will be “**He Made Me His Own Forever.**” Text: 1 John 3:1. A brief Business Meeting of the Ladies Aid is scheduled to follow the service.

NEXT SUNDAY: **Palm Sunday** Worship at 9:30. Adult Bible class is scheduled to follow the service. Next Sunday’s sermon text: Mark11:1-10.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: March 14 worship – 14 Bible class -10

Midweek Lent 3/17 - 14

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,285.00	Other offerings	
Offerings Received	\$1555.00	ILC Building Fund	\$ 50.00
Needed for Year:	\$14,135.00		
Received for Year:	\$13,265.00		

March Church Cleaning – Hellickson

CARD SHOWER: The Ladies Aid is sponsoring a wedding card shower for Amy Odmark Busse, to express our joy and good wishes for her married life. Cards will be collected through March 28th.

CLC NEWS: Pastor Dave Naumann, St. John's, Clarkston, WA/Peace, Orofino, ID has been called by Redeemer, Sister Lakes, MI.