

THIRD MIDWEEK LENT WORSHIP

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OPENING HYMN

112 – There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood



1 There is a foun - tain filled with blood— Im -
2 The dy - ing thief re - joiced to see That
3 Dear dy - ing Lamb, your pre - cious blood Shall
4 E'er since by faith I saw the stream Your
5 When this poor lisp - ing, stam - m'ring tongue Lies



man - u - el was slain— And sin - ners
foun - tain in his day; And there have
nev - er lose its pow'r Till all the
flow - ing wounds sup - ply, Re - deem - ing
si - lent in the grave, Then in a



who are washed there - in Lose ev - 'ry
I, as vile as he, Washed all my
ran - somed Church of God Be saved and
love has been my theme And shall be
no - bler, sweet - er song I'll sing your



guilt - y stain, Lose ev - 'ry guilt - y stain.
sins a - way, Washed all my sins a - way.
sin no more, Be saved and sin no more.
till I die, And shall be till I die.
pow'r to save, I'll sing your pow'r to save.

Text: William Cowper, 1731–1800, abr., alt.
Tune: COWPER (CM) Lowell Mason, 1792–1872.

Stand



M: O Lord, o - pen my lips.



C: And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



M: Has - ten to save me, O God.



C: O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Be seated

LET MY PRAYER RISE BEFORE YOU

Psalm 141



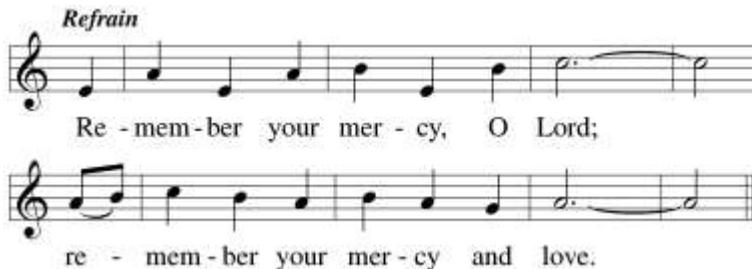
C: Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense, the lift - ing
up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice. O Lord, I
call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice when I
cry to you. Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

M Let our prayers be acceptable in your sight. Come and help us in time of need that we may sing your praise in holy joy now and forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C Amen.

PSALM

Psalm 32

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Refrain
Re - mem - ber your mer - cy, O Lord;
re - mem - ber your mer - cy and love.



Blessed is he whose transgressions are for | given,*
whose sins are | covered.

When I kept silent, your hand was heavy up | on me;*
my strength was sapped as in the heat of | summer.

Then I acknowledged my | sin to you*
and did not cover up my in | iquity.

I said, “I will confess my transgressions | to the LORD,”*
and you forgave the guilt | of my sin.

Refrain

You are my | hiding place,*
you will protect me from | trouble.

Many are the woes of the | wicked,*
but the LORD’S unfailing love surrounds those who | trust in him.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Refrain

M Gracious Father in heaven, in countless ways we have transgressed against you. But you have been merciful to us and have forgiven the guilt of our sin. Surround us with your unfailing love that we may rejoice in your great goodness now and forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

PASSION HISTORY READING

Matthew 26:36-56

According to the Gospel of Matthew (Evangelical Heritage Version™)

Gethsemane

³⁶Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane. He told his disciples, “Sit here, while I go over there and pray.” ³⁷He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and he began to be sorrowful and distressed. ³⁸Then he said to them, “My soul is very sorrowful, even to the point of death. Stay here, and keep watch with me.”

³⁹He went a little farther, fell on his face, and prayed. He said, “My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

⁴⁰He came to the disciples and found them sleeping. He said to Peter, “So, were you not able to stay awake with me for one hour? ⁴¹Watch and pray, so that you do not enter into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

⁴²He went away a second time and prayed, “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to pass from me¹ unless I drink it, may your will be done.” ⁴³Again he returned and found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴He left them again, went away, and prayed a third time. He said the same words as before. ⁴⁵Then he returned to his disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶Rise. Let us go. Look, my betrayer is near.”

The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

⁴⁷While Jesus was still speaking, suddenly Judas (one of the Twelve) arrived. With him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, who came from the chief priests and elders of the people. ⁴⁸Now the betrayer had given them a sign: “The one I kiss is the man. Arrest him.” ⁴⁹Immediately he went to Jesus and said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed him.

⁵⁰Jesus said to him, “Friend, why are you here?”

Then they advanced, took hold of Jesus, and arrested him. ⁵¹Suddenly, one of the men with Jesus reached out his hand, drew his sword, and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear. ⁵²Then Jesus said to him, “Put your sword back into its place, because all who take the sword will die by the sword. ⁵³Do you not realize that I could call on my Father, and at once he would provide me with more than twelve legions² of angels? ⁵⁴But then how would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen this way?”

⁵⁵At that same time Jesus said to the crowd, “Have you come out to arrest me with swords and clubs as if I were a robber? Day after day I was sitting in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest me. ⁵⁶But all this has happened so that the writings of the prophets would be fulfilled.” Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

¹42 Some witnesses to the text omit *from me*.

²53 A Roman *legion* contained as many as six thousand soldiers.



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul! What won - drous love is this, O my soul!
 down, When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down,
 sing; To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
 on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.



What won - drous love is this That caused the Lord of
 When I was sink - ing down Be - neath God's right - eous
 To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing his love for



bliss To bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my
 frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my
 Am, While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
 me, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, To bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
 soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul,
 sing, While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: *A General Selection of . . . Spiritual Songs*, Lynchburg, 1811, alt.
 Tune: WONDROUS LOVE (12 9 66 12 9) *Southern Harmony*, New Haven, 1835.

SERMON

Luke 23:35-43

Pr. Brad Taylor (Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Flower Mound)

Repent: Turn to Jesus; He Holds the Key to Heaven

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Stand

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M In the closing hours of this day, hear us as we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M For the well-being of people everywhere, for the growth of your church in all the world, and for the strengthening of all who serve and worship here, we pray, O Lord:



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M For one another, young and old, for your blessings that come with every stage of life, and for joy in doing your will, we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M For our public servants who work day and night to bring protection, justice, learning, and health to this and every place, we pray to you, O Lord:



C: Lord, hear our prayer.

M For favorable weather and bountiful harvests, for clothing and food, for health of body, mind, and spirit, and for deliverance from all sin and every form of evil, we pray, O Lord:



C: Lord, hear our prayer.

M For the faithful who have gone before us, who have shared with us your good news, whose souls are now at rest in your heavenly kingdom, we give you thanks, O Lord:



C: Thanks be to God.

M In thanksgiving for your many and varied gifts to us, we now commend ourselves to your care. Be our shield and strength, O Lord.



C: A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

M Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

SONG OF SIMEON



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part



ac - cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen



your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for ev - 'ry



peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

BLESSING



M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - - men.

Be Seated

EVENING HYMN

780 – Stay With Us



1 Stay with us till night has come: Our praise to
2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: Hear when our
3 Walk with us; the road will bend: Make all our
4 Talk with us till we be - hold A joy - ful
5 Stay with us till day is done: No tears nor



you this day be sung. Bless our bread; O - pen our
wea - ry spir - its cry. Feel a - gain Our loss, our
weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears; For - give our
life you will un - fold: Heal our eyes To see the
dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart; Your grace im -



eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.
pain: Je - sus, take us to your side.
fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.
prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.
part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

Allusions to Jesus' Easter walk with the Emmaus disciples (Luke 24:13-35) beautifully frame this evening hymn of prayer.

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Lent and Holy Week



On Wednesday evenings during Lent, together with Holy Week, we will examine various Ironies that the Passion History of our Lord, Jesus present us with. Dates and themes for those services are as follows:

<u>Wednesday/Festival (Date)</u>	<u>Worship Theme</u>
Ash Wednesday (March 1)	Repent: Turn to Jesus and Not to Yourself
Lenten Service (March 8)	Repent: Turn to Jesus; Do Not Turn Away
Lenten Service (March 15)	Repent: Turn to Jesus; He Holds the Key to Heaven
Lenten Service (March 22)	Repent: Turn to Jesus; He Longs to Forgive You
Lenten Service (March 29)	Repent: Turn to Jesus; He Changes Your Life
Lenten Service (April 5)	Repent: Turn to Jesus When You Face Temptations
Palm Sunday (April 9)	Repent: Turn to Jesus, Your King
Maundy Thursday (April 13)	Repent: Turn to Jesus and Receive a Special Assurance of Your Forgiveness
Good Friday (April 14)	Repent: Turn to Jesus; He and He Alone Finished Your Salvation
Easter Sunday (April 16)	Repent: Turn to Jesus for Resurrection and Life