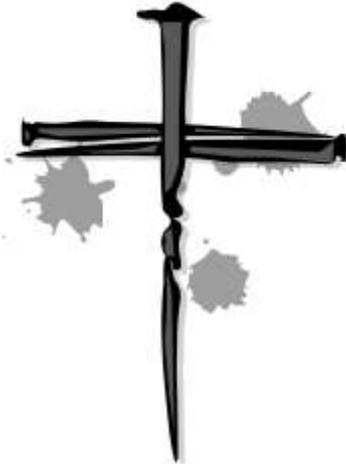


FOURTH MIDWEEK LENT WORSHIP

March 27, 2019

Three Words



of
TRUTH

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Compline: Setting II

REMAIN SEATED

L The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et
night and peace at the last. **G** A -
- - men. **L** It is good to give thanks to the
Lord, **G** to sing praise to your name, O Most High,
L to her-ald your love in the morn - ing, **G** your
truth at the close of day. **L** Je - sus, re - mem - ber
me when you come in - to your king - dom.
G Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in -
to your king - dom.



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.

CONFESSION OF SINS

L Our help is in the name of the Lord,
G **who made heaven and earth.**

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

Silence for self-examination

L 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 fault,
by my own fault,
by my own grievous fault;
wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me,
forgive me all my sins,
and bring me to everlasting life.

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

L Amen.

G **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 fault,
by my own fault,
by my own grievous fault;
wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me,
forgive me all my sins,
and bring me to everlasting life.**

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

G **Amen.**

Be Seated

PSALM

Psalm 143

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Congregation sings refrain

Choir sings the verses



*O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;
In your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.
Do not bring your servant into judgment,
For no one living is righteous before you.
My spirit grows faint within me;
My heart within me is dismayed.*

Refrain

*Answer me quickly, o Lord; do not hide your face from me.
Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love,
For I have put my trust in you.
Teach me to do your will, for you are my God;
May your good Spirit lead me on level ground.
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.*

Refrain

Silence for meditation

M Lord Jesus, you bring light to those who dwell in darkness and make your love known to them. Enter not into judgment with your servants, but strengthen us in the saving faith and guide us into the land of perfect peace where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.

C Amen.

PASSION HISTORY READING

Lesson Three

Compiled from the Gospels (Evangelical Heritage Version™)

Simon Peter and another disciple kept following Jesus. That disciple was known to the high priest, so he went into the high priest's courtyard with Jesus. But Peter stood outside by the door. So the other disciple, the one known to the high priest, went out and talked to the girl watching the door and brought Peter in.

The servants and guards were standing around a fire of coals that they had made because it was cold. While they warmed themselves, Peter was standing with them, warming himself too.¹

One of the servant girls of the high priest came there. When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked directly at him and said, "You were also with Jesus the Galilean."

But he denied it in front of everyone, saying, "I don't know what you are talking about. Woman, I do not know him."

When Peter went out to the entryway, someone else saw him and said to those who were there, "This is one of them. This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth."

Again Peter denied it with an oath and said, "I do not know the man."

After a little while those who stood by came and said to Peter, "Surely you are also one of them, because even your accent gives you away. You are a Galilean!"

Then he began to curse and to swear, "I do not know this man you are talking about! I do not know the man!"

At that very moment, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the Lord's word, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today you will deny me three times." He went outside, broke down, and wept bitterly.²

The high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching.

Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I always taught in a synagogue or at the temple, where all the Jews gather. I said nothing in secret. Why are you questioning me? Ask those who heard what I told them. Look, they know what I said."

¹ John 18:12-18

² Matthew 26:69-75; Mark 14:66-72; Luke 22:54-62; John 18:15-18, 25-27

When he said this, one of the guards standing there hit Jesus in the face. “Is that how you answer the high priest?” he demanded.

“If I said something wrong,” Jesus answered, “testify about what was wrong. But if I was right, why did you hit me?”³

The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they could put him to death. They found none, even though many false witnesses came forward. Finally two came forward and said, “This fellow said, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.’” Yet even on this point, their testimony did not agree.

The high priest stood up and said to him, “Have you no answer? What is this that these men are testifying against you?” But Jesus remained silent. Then the high priest said to him, “I place you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God!”

Jesus said to him, “It is as you have said. But I tell you, soon you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of power and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

Then the high priest tore his robes and said, “He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? See, you have just heard the blasphemy! What do you think?”

They answered, “He is deserving of death!” Then some began to spit on him. They covered his face, struck him with their fists, and said, “Prophecy to us, Christ! Who hit you?” The guards also took him and beat him. And they went on saying many other blasphemous things against him.⁴

As soon as it was day, the council of the elders of the people met together, both chief priests and experts in the law. They brought Jesus into their Sanhedrin and said, “If you are the Christ, tell us.”

But he said to them, “If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I ask you, you will not answer me or release me. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.”⁵ They all said, “Are you then the Son of God?”

He said to them, “I am what you are saying.”

Then they said, “Why do we need any more testimony? For we ourselves have heard it from his own mouth!” Then the chief priests with the elders and experts in the law,

³ John 18:19-23

⁴ Matthew 26:59-68; Mark 14:53-65; Luke 22:65

⁵ Psalm 110:1

together with the whole Sanhedrin, reached a decision. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pontius Pilate, the governor.⁶

Then when Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he felt remorse. He brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders and said, “I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.” But they said, “What is that to us? That’s your problem.”

He threw the pieces of silver into the temple and left. Then he went out and hanged himself. The chief priests took the pieces of silver and said, “It is not lawful to put these into the treasury, since it is blood money.” They reached a decision to buy the potter’s field with the money, as a burial place for foreigners. So that field has been called The Field of Blood to this day. Then what was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled:

They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price the sons of Israel had set for him, and they gave them for the potter’s field, just as the Lord commanded me.⁷

Early in the morning, the Jews led Jesus from Caiaphas to the Praetorium. They did not enter the Praetorium themselves, so that they would not become ceremonially unclean. (They wanted to be able to eat the Passover meal.) So Pilate went out to them and said, “What charge do you bring against this man?”

They answered him, “If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you.”

Pilate told them, “Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law.”

The Jews said, “It’s not legal for us to put anyone to death.” This happened so that the statement Jesus had spoken indicating what kind of death he was going to die would be fulfilled.⁸

They began to accuse him, saying, “We found this fellow misleading our nation, forbidding the payment of taxes to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king.”

Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?”

“It is as you say,” Jesus replied.⁹

The chief priests accused him of many things. When he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.

⁶ Luke 22:66-23:1; Mark 15:1; Matthew 27:2

⁷ Matthew 27:3-10; see Zechariah 11:12-13; Jeremiah 19:1-13; 32:6-9

⁸ John 18:28-32

⁹ Luke 23:2-3

Pilate questioned him again, “Are you not going to answer anything? See how many charges they are bringing against you!”

But Jesus still did not answer anything, so Pilate was amazed.

Pilate went back into the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. He asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?”

Jesus answered, “Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about me?”

Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?”

Jesus replied, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight so that I would not be handed over to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here.”

“You are a king then?” Pilate asked.

Jesus answered, “I am, as you say, a king. For this reason I was born, and for this reason I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

“What is truth?” Pilate said to him.

After he said this, he went out again to the Jews and told them, “I find no basis for a charge against him.”¹⁰

But they kept insisting, “He stirs up the people, teaching all through Judea, beginning from Galilee all the way here.”

When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man was a Galilean. When he learned that he was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem during those days. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad. For a long time he had wanted to see him, because he had heard many things about him. He hoped to see some miracle performed by him. He questioned him with many words, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the experts in the law stood there, vehemently accusing him. Herod, along with his soldiers, treated him with contempt and ridiculed him. Dressing him in bright clothing, Herod sent Jesus back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate became friends with each other on that day. Before this they had been enemies of each other.¹¹

¹⁰ Matthew 27:11-14; Mark 15:1-5; Luke 23:1-4; John 18:28-38

¹¹ Luke 23:4-12

HYMN

102 – Enslaved by Sin and Bound in Chains



1 En - slaved by sin and bound in chains, Be - neath its
 2 Nor gold nor gems could buy our peace, Nor all the
 3 Je - sus, the Lord, the might - y God, An all - suf -
 4 Je - sus the sac - ri - fice be - came To res - cue
 5 A - maz - ing good - ness! Love di - vine! Oh, may our



dread - ful ty - rant sway, And doomed to ev - er -
 world's col - lect - ed store Suf - fice to pur - chase
 fi - cient ran - som paid. O match - less price! His
 guilt - y souls from hell; The spot - less, bleed - ing,
 grate - ful hearts a - dore The match - less grace nor



last - ing pains We wretch - ed, guilt - y cap - tives lay.
 our re - lease; A thou - sand worlds were all too poor.
 pre - cious blood For vile, re - bel - lious trai - tors shed.
 dy - ing Lamb Be - neath a - veng - ing jus - tice fell.
 yield to sin Nor wear its cru - el fet - ters more!

Text: Anne Steele, 1717-78.
 Tune: WENN WIR IN HÖCHSTEN NÖTEN SEIN (LM) Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561.

SERMON

John 18:3-9

Pr. Gunnar Ledermann (Divine Peace, Rockwall)

**Three Words of Truth:
I Am He**

RESPONSORY

PLEASE STAND

L In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it. **G** In - to your
hands I com-mend my spir - it. **L** You have re-deemed me, O
Lord, God of truth. **G** In - to your hands I com-mend my
spir - it. **L** Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son (✠)
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it. **G** In - to your
hands I com - mend my spir - it.

BE SEATED

OFFICE HYMN

436 – Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep



1 Je - sus, shep - herd of the sheep, Who your
2 In your prom - ise firm we stand; None can
3 By your blood our souls were bought; By your
4 Fa - ther, draw us to your Son; We with
5 We, in robes of glo - ry dressed, Join th' as -

Fa - ther's flock does keep, Safe we wake and
take us from your hand. Speak— we hear— at
life sal - va - tion wrought; By your light our
joy will fol - low on, Till the work of
sem - bly of the blest, Gath - ered to e -

safe we sleep, Guard - ed still by you.
your com - mand, We will fol - low you.
feet are taught, Lord, to fol - low you.
grace is done, There to live with you.
ter - nal rest In the fold with you.

Text: Henry Cook, 1788-1868, alt.

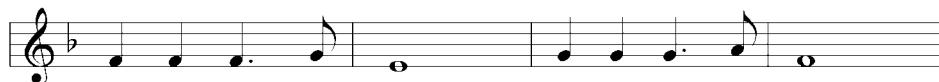
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OFFERTORY

PRAYERS

PLEASE STAND



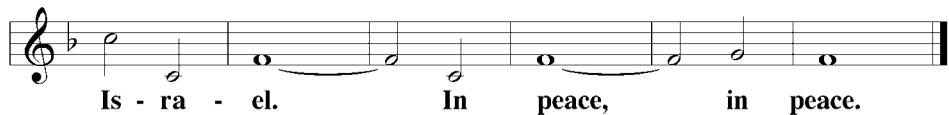
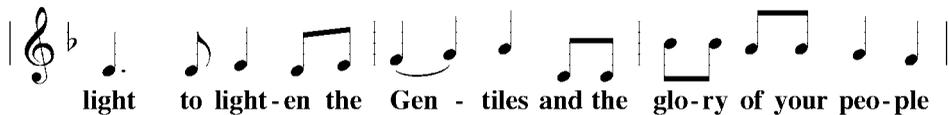
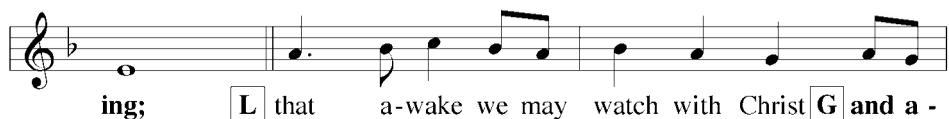
LORD'S PRAYER



G Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your
name, your king-dom come, your will be done on
earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our
dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins, as
we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Lead us
not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from
e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are
yours now and for-ev-er. A-men.

REMAIN STANDING

GOSPEL CANTICLE and SONG OF SIMEON



BLESSING

L The almighty and merciful God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

G Amen. (*spoken*)

EVENING HYMN

593 – Now the Light Has Gone Away



1 Now the light has gone a - way;
2 Je - - sus, Sav - ior, wash a - way
3 Let my near and dear ones be
4 Now my eve - ning praise I give;
5 Ah, my best and kind - est Friend,



Fa - ther, lis - ten while I pray,
All that I've done wrong to - day.
Safe with you e - ter - nal - ly.
You once died that I might live.
You will love me to the end.



Ask - ing you to watch and keep
Make me ev - er more like you,
Oh, bring me and all I love
All your pre - cious gifts are free—
Let me love you more and more,



And to send me qui - et sleep.
Good and gen - tle, kind and true.
To your hap - py home a - bove.
Oh, how good you are to me!
Al - ways bet - ter than be - fore.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79, alt.

Tune: MUDE BIN ICH (77 77) *Liederbuch für Kleinkinder-Schulen*, Kaiserwerth, 1842, alt.

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