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HIS FINAL STEPS

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Led to a Fig Tree

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✘ Gathering ✘

OPENING HYMN

873 – Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray



1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; from your sleep a -
2 Watch a - gainst the dev - il's snares lest a - sleep he
3 Watch! Let not the wick - ed world with its lies de -
4 Watch a - gainst your - self, my soul, lest with grace you
5 But while watch - ing al - so pray to the Lord un -



wak - en! Be not by the e - vil day un - a -
find you; for in - deed no pains he spares to de -
feat you lest with bold de - cep - tions hurled it be -
tri - fle; let not self your thoughts con - trol nor God's
ceas - ing. God pro - tects you day by day, strength and



wares o'er - tak - en; for the foe, well we know, is a
ceive and blind you. Sa - tan's prey oft are they who se -
tray and cheat you. Watch and see lest there be faith - less
mer - cy sti - fle. Pride and sin lurk with - in, all your
faith in - creas - ing, so that still mind and will shall u -



har - vest reap - ing while the saints are sleep - ing.
cure are sleep - ing and no watch are keep - ing.
friends to charm you who but seek to harm you.
hopes to shat - ter; heed not when they flat - ter.
nite to serve him and for - ev - er love him.

Stand

CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life. **Amen.**

Be seated

PSALM

Psalm 4

Refrain



An-swer me when I call, my God; you a-lone keep my life se-cure.



Answer me when I / call to you,
my / righteous God.

Give me relief from / my distress;
have mercy on me and / hear my prayer. *Refrain*

Tremble and / do not sin;
when you are on your beds, search your hearts and be / silent.

Offer the sacrifices of the / righteous
and trust / in the LORD.

Refrain

Many, LORD, are asking, "Who will bring us pros- / perity?"

Let the light of your face / shine on us.

In peace I will lie / down and sleep,
for you alone, LORD, make me dwell in / safety.

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

PSALM PRAYER

Grant peace to your people, Lord, that amid the stresses of life, we may rest quietly, knowing all is right with you. Since your Son has paid for every sin, defeated every enemy, and rules at the right hand of your throne in heaven, let us fall asleep each night in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PASSION HISTORY

Jesus' First Trial in the Sanhedrin

⁵⁷Those who had arrested Jesus led him away to Caiaphas, the high priest, where the experts in the law and the elders were assembled. ⁵⁸Peter was following him at a distance and went as far as the courtyard of the high priest. He went inside and sat down with the guards to see how it would turn out.

⁵⁹The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they could put him to death. ⁶⁰They found none, even though many false witnesses came forward. Finally two came forward ⁶¹and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.'"

⁶²The high priest stood up and said to him, "Have you no answer? What is this that these men are testifying against you?" ⁶³But 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!"

⁶⁴Jesus 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."

⁶⁵Then 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! ⁶⁶What do you think?"

They answered, "He is deserving of death!" ⁶⁷Then they spit in his face and punched him. Some slapped him ⁶⁸and said, "Prophecy to us, Christ! Who hit you?"

Peter Denies Jesus

⁶⁹Meanwhile Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant girl came to him and said, "You were also with Jesus the Galilean."

⁷⁰But he denied it in front of everyone, saying, "I don't know what you're talking about."

⁷¹When Peter went out to the entryway, someone else saw him and said to those who were there, "This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth."

⁷²Again Peter denied it with an oath and said, "I do not know the man."

⁷³After 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."

⁷⁴Then he began to curse and to swear, "I do not know the man!" Just then the rooster crowed. ⁷⁵And Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.

HYMN OF THE DAY

409 – Jesus, Refuge of the Weary



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, blest Re - deem - er,
2 Dare we pass that cross un - heed - ing, breath - ing no re -
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing with more fer - vent



whom we love, foun - tain in life's des - ert drear - y, Sav - ior
pent - ant vow, as we see you wound - ed, bleed - ing, see your
love for you! May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing to be -



from the world a - bove, of - ten have your eyes, of - fend - ed,
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Since your sin - less death has brought us
hold your cross a - new, till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; yet, up - on the
life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest, on - ly what your
from the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, you en - dured the pain of all.
grace has taught us calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
hearts for - ev - er dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied!

✠ Sermon ✠

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PRAYER

Abide with us, Lord, for it is evening and the day is almost over. Abide with us and with your whole Church. Abide with us in your grace and goodness, in your holy Word and sacrament, in your comfort and blessing. Abide with us when we are overcome by the night of sorrow and fear, by the night of doubt and affliction, by the night of bitter death. Abide with us and with all your people in time and in eternity. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us.
May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Be seated

CLOSING HYMN

794 – Now Rest Beneath Night’s Shadow



1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow the wood - land,
2 The rule of day is o - ver and shin - ing
3 Lord Je - sus, since you love me, O spread your
4 My loved ones, rest se - cure - ly, for God this



field, and mead - ow; the world in slum - ber lies.
jew - els cov - er the heav - en's bound - less blue.
wings a - bove me and shield me from a - harm.
night will sure - ly from per - il guard your heads.



But you, my heart, a - wak - en, with prayer and song be
Thus I shall shine in heav - en, where crowns of gold are
Though Sa - tan would as - sail me, your mer - cy will not
Sweet slum - bers may he send you and bid his hosts at -



tak - en; let praise to your Cre - a - tor rise.
giv - en to all who faith - ful prove and true.
fail me; I rest in your pro - tect - ing arm.
tend you and through the night watch o'er your beds.

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Setting: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.

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