

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

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Worship Focus

Seriously! – God is Jealous



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OPENING HYMN

224 - God Himself Is Present



1 God him - self is pres - ent— Let us now a - dore him
2 God him - self is pres - ent— Hear the harps re - sound - ing;
3 Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Pu - ri - fy my spir - it,



And with awe ap - pear be - fore him,
See the hosts the throne sur - round - ing,
Trust - ing on - ly in your mer - it.



God is in his tem - ple— All with - in keep si - lence,
“Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly”— Hear the hymn as - cend - ing,
Like the ho - ly an - gels, Wor - ship - ing be - fore you,



Hum - bly kneel in deep - est rev - 'rence.
Songs of saints and an - gels blend - ing.
May I cease - less - ly a - dore you.



He a - lone On his throne Is our
Bow your ear To us here: Hear, O
Let your will Ev - er still Rule your



God and Sav - ior; Praise his name for - ev - er!
Christ, the prais - es That your Church now rais - es,
church ter - res - trial As the hosts ce - les - tial.

Text: Gerhard Tersteegeen, 1697–1769, abe.; tr. Frederick W. Foster, 1760–1835, and John Miller, 1756–90, alt.
Tune: WUNDERBARER KÖNIG (668 668 33 66) Joachim Neander, 1650–80, alt.

INVOCATION

- Minister** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- Congregation** **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

M God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.**

M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

M For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M Almighty God, look with favor on your humble servants and stretch out the right hand of your power to defend us against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Exodus 20:1-17

God's holy zeal thundered down to Israel his Ten Commandments – not “suggestions”! God is “jealous” that we fully love both him and our neighbor.

EXODUS 20:1 And God spoke all these words:

² “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

³ “You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴ “You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷ “You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

⁸ “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

¹² “Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³ “You shall not murder.

¹⁴ “You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵ “You shall not steal.

¹⁶ “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

¹⁷ “You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

PSALM 19

Sung by choir

Refrain

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

1. *The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.*

The instruction of the Lord is true and makes the simple wise. Refrain

2. *The rule of the Lord is gracious, rejoicing the heart;*

The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. Refrain

3. *The fear of the Lord is holy, enduring always.*

All the judgments of the Lord are sure and righteous, every one. Refrain

4. *Your laws are more sweet than honey and prized more than gold;*

And from them your servant shall be taught: in them is great reward. Refrain

5. *For sins of my own commission forgive me, I pray;*

And for all those sins I know not of forgive me, make me clean. Refrain

SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Some are jealous for miracles while others are jealous for wisdom. God's jealousy stands firmly planted in saving sinners, prophesied for centuries in the sacrifices of the Temple, and fulfilled in the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross.

¹ CORINTHIANS 1:22 Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom,²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. (John 3:14,15)

GOSPEL LESSON John 2:13-22

The people of Jesus' day thought their pedigree gave them license to do as they pleased, even in the Temple. However, Jesus revealed God's jealousy for even something as "minor" as Temple decorum.

^{JOHN 2:13} When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple courts he found men selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. ¹⁵ So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple area, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!"

¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

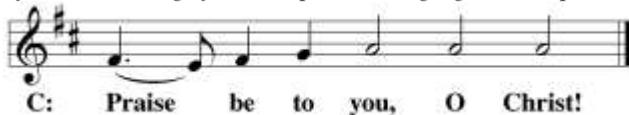
¹⁸ Then the Jews demanded of him, "What miraculous sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?"

¹⁹ Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days."

²⁰ The Jews replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" ²¹ But the temple he had spoken of was his body. ²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



HYMN OF THE DAY

456 - Forth in Your Name, O Lord, I Go



1 Forth in your name, O Lord, I go, My dai - ly
2 Oh, let me cheer - ful - ly ful - fill The task your
3 May I find you at my right hand; Your eyes see
4 Give me to bear your eas - y yoke And ev - 'ry
5 For you I joy - ous - ly em - ploy What - ev - er



la - bor to pur - sue, De - ter - mined on - ly
wis - dom has as - signed And do your good and
tru - ly what I do, I la - bor on at
mo - ment watch and pray And still to things e -
you in grace have giv'n; I run my dai - ly



you to know In all I think or speak or do.
per - fect will— In all my works your pres - ence find!
your com - mand And of - fer all my works to you,
ter - nal look And has - ten to your glo - rious day,
course with joy And close - ly walk with you to heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, abr., alt.

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SERMON

John 2:13-22

Your Want the Zealous Jesus

CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

**C 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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For true wisdom in Christ, that the faithful may recognize that the foolishness of God is wiser than the wisdom of the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Holy Christian Church throughout the world and for all who confess the name of Christ, that God would guard and defend us from the temptations of the devil, the world and our sinful nature, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For a true zeal for the Gospel, that all Christians may recognize the privilege it is to share Christ and comfort others with the comfort we have received, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For a daily return to Baptism, repentance and sorrow for sin, that the old Adam in us should be drowned and die with all evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who have wandered from the faith, that the Holy Spirit would use us to call them home to the Father, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have been given positions of public trust, that they may use the authority entrusted to them honorably and for the good of the people, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who serve in worthy occupations, professions, arts and sciences, that God would grant them skill and integrity in the performance of their responsibilities and valued service through their vocations, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who suffer from hunger, homelessness, poverty or unemployment, that God's great mercy and love would preserve and relieve them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all the faithful, that the Spirit would lead them to cheerful, generous giving from the bounty the Lord provides, to support the Church and to help those in need, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are hospitalized, recovering from surgery, facing chronic pain or long-term health problems, and all who suffer as a result of living in a fallen world [*especially* _____], that God would grant mercy and perseverance, as well as healing according to His good and gracious will, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who mourn, [*especially for* _____,] that in their time of sorrow they would not lose hope but rely on God's promise that He will never leave them or forsake them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own high priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.**



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE and PROPER PREFACES

M The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

315 – Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face



1 Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;
 2 This is the hour of banquet and of song;
 3 I have no help but yours nor do I need;
 4 Mine is the sin but yours the right - eous - ness;
 5 Too soon we rise; the ves - sels dis - ap - pear.



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen,
 Here is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread a - new.
 An - oth - er arm but yours to lean up - on.
 Mine is the guilt but yours the cleans - ing blood.
 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone.



Here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long;
 It is e - nough, O Lord, e - nough in - deed;
 Here is my robe, my ref - uge, and my peace:
 The bread and wine re - move, but you are here,



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on you lean.
 The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with you.
 My strength is in your might, your might a - lone.
 Your blood, your right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God,
 Near - er than ev - er, still my shield and sun.

6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
 Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
 Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
 The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, abr., alt.
 Tune: FARLEY CASTLE (10 10 10 10) Henry Lawes, 1595-1662.

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.
He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the first line of lyrics, the second staff the second line, the third staff the third line, and the fourth staff the fourth line. The music is written in a simple, melodic style with various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, and rests.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

M Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The musical notation consists of a single staff of music in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple, consisting of a few notes with a long horizontal line underneath, indicating a sustained note or a long breath.

M Brothers and sisters, go in peace.
Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

320 - On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart im - print your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus,
King of grace, That life's rich - es, cares, and plea - sures Have no
pow'r to hide your face. This the su - per - scrip - tion be:
Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me, Is my life, my hope's foun -
da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703, abc.; tr. Peer O. Strömme, 1886–1921, alt.
Tune: FREU DICH SEHR (87 87 77 88) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551, alt.

After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.



JOHN 2:16, NRSV

Christ

the POWER of
GOD and the
WISDOM of

God

1 Corinthians 1:24

Lent and Holy Week



On Wednesday evenings during Lent, together with Holy Week, we will focus on Jesus, Our Great High Priest. Dates and themes for those services are as follows:

<u>Wednesday/Festival (Date)</u>	<u>Worship Theme</u>
Ash Wednesday (February 14)	Jesus Is Our Great High Priest
Lenten Service (February 21)	Jesus Is Our Perfect High Priest
Lenten Service (February 28)	Jesus Is Our Compassionate High Priest
Lenten Service (March 7)	Jesus Is Our Self-Sacrificing High Priest
Lenten Service (March 14)	Jesus Our Great High Priest Serves at a Great Altar
Lenten Service (March 21)	Jesus Our Great High Priest Makes Us Priests
Palm Sunday (March 25)	Jesus Is Our Priest After the Order of Melchizedek
Maundy Thursday (March 29)	Jesus Our Great High Priest Is Mediator of the New Covenant
Good Friday (March 30)	Jesus Our Great High Priest Is Better Than Any Other High Priest
Easter Sunday (April 1)	Jesus Is Our Eternal High Priest