

For I know the plans
I have for you, declares the Lord...
Plans to give you
Hope and a *Future*
Jeremiah 29:11

Lent Midweek 5

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Making Christ Known Through His Gospel

Mercy of God

Grace of God

In the Forgiveness of God

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What is the Lord's Supper?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and the wine, for Christians to eat and to drink. Jesus himself started this practice. The Lord's Supper assures Christians of the forgiveness of our sins and draws us closer to the Lord and His people. If you believe this and are baptized, please come join us at the Altar today for the Lord's Supper. If you have any questions about The Lord's Supper or your participation, please see Pastor.

Please note in the communion tray
The darker colored cups contain wine.
The center lighter cups contain grape juice.

We encourage you to bring your children to the Altar. If they have not been confirmed in the faith or a not baptized, please have them cross the arms across their chest for a blessing.

WELCOME to our worship service this evening.

We invite you to worship with us often and consider our family of faith your family. We pray God's rich blessings upon you as you hear His Word and praise His holy name.

Everything you need for worship is printed in this bulletin. However, we do present the entire service on the front screen for you convenience. Also, Quiet Bags (for our very young worshipers) are available at the entrance of the Sanctuary.

My Faith Looks Up To Thee

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my fain - ting heart,
3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream,

Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my
be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
shall o'er me roll; blest Sa - vior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, nor let me e - ver stray from thee a - side.
trust re - move; O bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 118:24; 113:3; Joel 2:13; Matthew 16:24; Isaiah 53:5

P: This is the day which the Lord has made;

C: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

P: Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
C: **slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.**

P: Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,
C: **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.**

P: Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
C: **He was bruised for our iniquities.**

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C: **the name of the Lord is to be praised.
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.**

OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE

P: The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.
C: **With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.**

P: And you will say in that day:
C: **“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,
make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted.”**

P: The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.
C: **Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.**

P: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.
C: **The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.**

**All: 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 God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

FIRST READING

Philippians 2:1–11
(*Christ's example of humility*)

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Jim: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

John 19:16b–27
(*The crucifixion*)

So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but rather, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’” Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.”

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, so they said to one another, “Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be.” This was to fulfill the Scripture which says,

“They divided my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.”

So the soldiers did these things, but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORY

1 John 2:1; Psalm 32:1

P: We have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

C: **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

P: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

C: **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

P: We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

C: **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

CATECHISM

Ten Commandments

C: **You shall have no other gods.**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

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.

To God Be The Glory

C7 F F C F Bb

1 To God be the glo - ry- great things He hath done! So loved He the
 2 O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood- To ev - 'ry be -
 3 Great things He hath taught us; great things He hath done, and great our re -

6 F G2 G C C7 F F C

world that He gave us His Son, who yield - ed His life an a - tone - ment for
 liev - er, the prom - ise of God. The vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be -
 joic - ing thro' Je - sus, the Son. But pur - er and high - er and great - er will

12 F F7 Bb2 Bb Gm F C F C7 F

sin and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in. Praise the
 lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives. Praise the
 be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see. Praise the

17 F F F C F C F C7 F

Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the

22 C7 C F C7 F F C

Lord! Let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther thro' Je - sus, the

28 F F7 Bb Gm F C F C7 F

Son, and give Him the glo - ry- Great things He hath done!

God's Message

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**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O Jesus, our King, by Holy Baptism into Your death we have been adopted as sons and daughters of God by grace. In Your kingly love You faithfully kept the ancient promise of the salvation of the whole world once again setting even the solitary in families. Fill us with wisdom and patience that we may live together in faith and love; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your Holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

C: **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

BLESSING

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

Abide With Me

1 A - bide with me: fast falls the ev - en - tide;
2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
3 I need your pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour.
4 I fear no foe with you at hand to bless,
5 Hold now your Word be - fore my clo - sing eyes.

the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way.
▶ What but your grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
though ills have weight, and tears their bit - ter - ness.
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

When o - ther help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
Change and de - cay in all a - round I see.
▶ Who like your - self my guide and strength can be?
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, your vic - to - ry?
Heaven's morn - ing breaks and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
O Lord who chang - es not, a - bide with me.
▶ Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.
I tri - umph still, if you a - bide with me.
in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

P: Go in peace and serve our Lord!

C: **Thanks Be to God**

