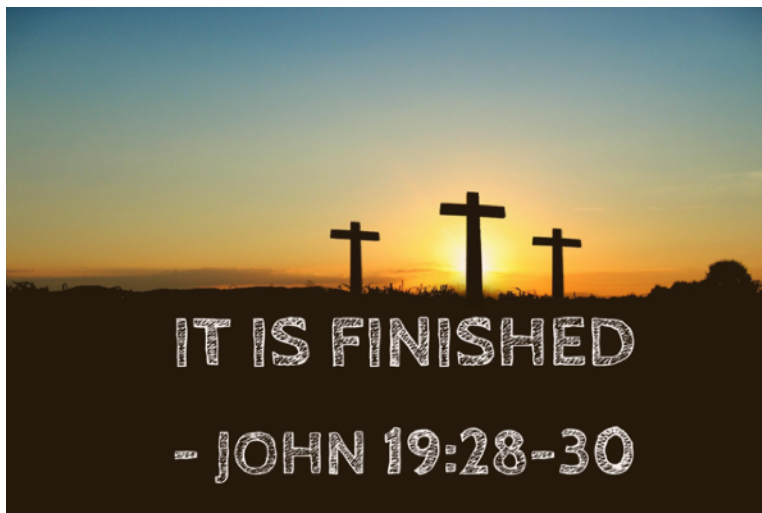


For I know the plans
I have for you, declares the Lord...
Plans to give you
Hope and a *Future*
Jeremiah 29:11

Lent 6 Midweek

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Making Christ Known Through His Gospel

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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.

Take My Life And Let It Be

G D7 G Em

1. Take my life, — and — let it be Con - se -
 2. Take my feet, — and — let them be Swift and
 3. Take my will, — and — make it Thine, It shall

C Am G/D D7 G D

cra - ted, — Lord, to — Thee; Take my hands, and —
 beau - ti - ful for — Thee; Take my voice, and —
 be — no — long - er mine; Take my heart, it —

G sus G C G D7 G

let them move — At the im - pulse of — Thy —
 let me sing, — Al - ways, on - ly, for — my —
 is Thine own; — It shall be Thy roy - al —

D Em D G C G/D D G

love, — At the im - pulse — of Thy love.
 King, — Al - ways, on - ly, — for my King.
 throne, — It shall be Thy — roy - al throne.

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.**

And you will say in that day:

**“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

Hebrews 9:11–28

(Redemption through the blood of Christ)

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, “This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you.” And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. Indeed, under the

law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

Thus it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Jim: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

John 19:28–42

(The death and burial of Jesus)

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), “I thirst.” A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: “Not one of his bones will be broken.” And again another Scripture says, “They will look on him whom they have pierced.”

After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body.

Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

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.

Apostles' Creed

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and
was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2. Have we trials and temp-ta - tions? — Is there trou-ble a - ny-where?
3. Are we weak and hea-vy la - den, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a pri - vi-lege to car - ry eve - ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should ne - ver be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Pre - cious Sav-ior still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer!

Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need-less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?
Do thy friends des-pise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all be-cause we do not car - ry eve - ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our eve-ry weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so-lace there.

God's Message

PRAYER

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.

The logo features the words "Peace of Christ" in a white, elegant, cursive script. The text is set against a soft, golden-yellow gradient background that has a subtle glow effect.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O gracious and loving God, we give to You our greatest heartfelt thanks for the love You have shown to the world in the silent service of Your Son's death for us on the cross. Grant that Your saving love capture the heart of every sinner with saving faith. By the washing of regeneration of water and the Spirit, make us Your family of faith filled with Your love and life; through the same Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You 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.

BENEDICTIMUS

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**

