



Lent 3

The Order of Worship

Pre-Service Music

Welcome

Gathering Rite

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you;

C: And also with you.

P: O Lord, open my lips;

C: And my mouth shall declare your praise.

P: Hasten to save me, O God;

C: O Lord, come quickly to help me.

P: The sacrifices God wants are a broken spirit,

C: A broken and crushed heart, O God, you will not despise.

Hymn

“Lord, Jesus You are Going Forth”

Christian Worship 126 st. 1-2

Lord Jesus, you are going forth
For me your life to offer,
For me, a sinner from my birth,
Who caused all you must suffer.
So be it then, my dearest Friend;
I follow after weeping, tears flowing free
Your pain to see, watch o'er your sorrows keeping.

O soul, come hither and behold
The fruit of your transgression!
My burden is the curse of old
And for your sin my passion.
Now comes the night of sin's dread might;
Your guilt I here am bearing.
Oh, weight it, soul; I make you whole,
No need now of despairing.

P: Jesus invites us, “come to me all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

C: O Lord, in humility we come. We are weary because our sins weigh us down, and there is no relief. We are burdened by the just sentence placed upon our sinful disobedience, and there is no place to turn for reprieve.

Hymn

“Lord Jesus You are Going Forth”
Christian Worship 126 st. 3

‘Tis I, Lord Jesus, I confess,
Who should have borne sin’s wages
And lost the peace of heav’nly bliss
Through everlasting ages.
Instead you go to bear the blow,
My punishment to carry.
Your death and blood lead me to God;
By grace I there may tarry.

P: Jesus assures us, that if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

C: O Lord, in mercy you sought us. You heard our desperate cry for rescue, and you secured the forgiveness of our sins. How blessed we are that your precious blood purifies us from all our sins and guilt.

Hymn

“Lord Jesus You are Going Forth”
Christian Worship 126 st. 4

O soul, I take upon me now
The pain you should have suffered.
My death will your release allow;
My gift is freely offered.
The curse I choose that you might lose
Sin’s curse and guilt forever.

My gift of love from heav'n above
Will give you blessing ever.

P: It is only by grace through faith we can ever have the confidence to say, "I sought the Lord and he answered me. From all my terrors, he delivered me. From all my distress he saved me. Taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed is everyone who takes refuge in him.

Hymn

"Lord Jesus You are Going Forth"
Christian Worship 126 st. 5

What can I for such love divine
To you, Lord Jesus, render?
No merit has this heart of mine;
Yet while I live I'll tender
Myself alone and all I own
In love to serve before you.
Then when time's past, take me at last;
In heav'n I shall adore you.

Evening Prayer

P: O gracious Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ, you have always loved us with an everlasting love. That love was displayed when you went the way of the cross. Daily lead us to acknowledge it was our sins and disobedience which made it necessary for you to suffer and die. Now, because of your undeserved mercy, we are free from our misery. Bless us as we worship you—together with your Father and the Spirit—our only true and saving God.

C: Amen.

The Passion History according to the Four Gospels

Part 3—The Capture of Jesus

While Jesus was still speaking, suddenly Judas (one of the Twelve) arrived. With him was a large crowd with lanterns, tor-

ches, swords, and clubs, who came from the chief priests and elders of the people. Judas was leading them.

Jesus, knowing everything that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, "Who are you looking for?"

"Jesus the Nazarene," they replied.

"I am he," Jesus told them.

Judas, the betrayer, was standing with them. When Jesus told them, "I am he," they backed away and fell to the ground.

Then Jesus asked them again, "Who are you looking for?"

"Jesus the Nazarene," they said.

"I told you that I am he," Jesus replied. "So if you are looking for me, let these men go." This was to fulfill the statement he had spoken: "I did not lose any of those you have given me."

Now the betrayer had given them a sign: "The one I kiss is the man. Arrest him." Immediately he went to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.

Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

Then they advanced, took hold of Jesus, and arrested him. When those who were around him saw what was about to happen, they said to him, "Lord, should we strike with a sword?" Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.

But Jesus responded, "Stop! No more of this! Put your sword back into its place, because all who take the sword will die by the sword. Do you not realize that I could call on my Father, and at once he would provide me with more than twelve legions of angels? But then how would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen this way?" Then he touched the servant's ear and healed him.

At that same time Jesus said to the crowd, "Have you come out to arrest me with swords and clubs as if I were a robber? Day after day I was sitting in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has happened so that the writings of the prophets would be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

The Trial of Jesus

The company of soldiers, their commander, and the Jewish guards arrested Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas, because he was father-in-law to Caiaphas, who was the high priest that year. Now it was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews, "It is better that one man die for the people."

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.

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.

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.”

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?”

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.

P: This is the record of our Savior’s Passion!

Congregation sings

“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”

Christian Worship 319

On my heart imprint your image,

Blessed Jesus, King of grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures
Have no pow'r to hide your face.
This is the superscription be:
Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation,
And my glory and salvation.

Confession of Faith

*(we join in the words of Luther's Explanation the
Second Article of the Apostles Creed)*

**C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the
Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin
Mary, is my Lord.**

**He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature,
purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from
the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his
holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and
death.**

**All this he did that I should be his own, and live under him
in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness,
innocence, and blessedness, just as he has risen from death
and lives and rules eternally.**

This is most certainly true.

Hymn of the Day

*“What Wondrous Love is This”
Christian Worship 120*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing:
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing his love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

“The Misery of Mankind; The Mercy of Jesus”

Paradise Lost

Genesis 3:22-24

²²The LORD God said, “Look, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil. Now, so that he does not reach out his hand and also take from the Tree of Life and eat and live forever—” ²³the LORD God sent him out from the Garden of Eden to work the soil from which he had been taken. ²⁴So he drove the man out, and in front of the Garden of Eden he stationed cherubim and a flaming sword, which turned in every direction to guard the way to the Tree of Life.

Paradise Restored

Revelation 22:1-5

¹The angel showed me the river of the water of life, which was as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and the Lamb. ²In the middle of the city's street and on each side of the

river was a tree of life that yielded twelve kinds of fruit. The tree yields its fruit every month, and its leaves are for the healing of the nations.

³ There will no longer be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city. His servants will worship him. ⁴ They will see his face. His name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ There will no longer be any night or any need for lamplight or sunlight, because the Lord God will shine on them. And they will reign forever and ever.“

“Paradise Which was Lost is Restored”

Pray, Praise, and Give Thanks

Evening Litany (*we read responsively*)

P: O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
O God the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide,
Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons in one God.

C: Have mercy on us.

P: By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation; and by your proclamation of the kingdom:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: By your bloody sweat and bitter agony, by your cross and suffering, and by your precious death and burial:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: By your triumphant resurrection, by your glorious ascension, and by the promised coming of the Holy Spirit:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: In our times of trouble, in our times of prosperity, in the hour of death, and on the day of judgment:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: From all spiritual blindness; from self-pride and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all lack of true Christ-like love; From all deadly sin and from the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil; From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of the heart, and contempt for your Word and your will:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

C: Have mercy on us.

P: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

C: Have mercy on us.

P: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

C: Grant us your peace.

P: Lord, have mercy on us.

C: Christ, have mercy on us.

P: Lord, have mercy on us, and hear us as we pray:

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!

Hymn

“Let All Together Praise Our God”

Christian Worship 41 st. 1, 3-6

Let all together praise our God
Before his highest throne;
Today he opens heav'n again
And gives us his own Son,
And gives us his own Son.

He veils in flesh his pow'r divine
A servant's form to take;
In want and lowliness must die
Who heav'n and earth did make,
Who heav'n and earth did make.

A wondrous change which he does make;
He takes our flesh and blood,
And he conceals for sinners' sake
His majesty as God,
His majesty as God.

He serves that I a lord may be —
A great exchange indeed!
Could Jesus' love do more for me
To help me in my need?
To help me in my need?

For us he opens wide the door
Of paradise today.
The angel guards the gate no more;
To God our thanks we pay,
To God our thanks we pay.

Evening Prayer

P: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your people, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies, that we may live in peace and quietness while praying with boldness and confidence, through the merits of Jesus Christ our

Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

The Benediction:

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through.

May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Christ.

The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.



C: A — — men!

Closing Hymn

“Now the Light Has Gone Away”
Christian Worship 593

Now the light has gone away; Father listen while I pray,
Asking you to watch and keep and to send me quiet sleep.

Jesus, Savior, wash away all that I've done wrong today.
Make me ever more like you, good and gentle, kind and true.

Let my near and dear ones be safe with you eternally.
Oh, bring me and all I love to your happy home above.

Now my evening praise I give; you once died that I might live.
All your precious gifts are free — Oh, how good you are to me!

Ah, my best and kindest Friend, you will love me to the end.
Let me love you more and more, always better than before.

Silent Prayers

Announcements

Tonight - In our faithful Savior's name, *Welcome to our Mid-week Worship!* May the blessing of Jesus' precious work lead you to rejoice in his mercy, and rejoice in every good gift he gives us through his undeserved love, especially the gift of eternal life in heaven.

Friday—Office Hours from 10:30-2:230 pm

Saturday—Church Cleaning: Proeber

- Mowing / property beginning March 3rd—J. Schroeder

Sunday, March 3rd—In person worship and live streaming at 9:30 am. When the Lord gave his commandments to the people of Israel, he introduced them by saying, “I AM the LORD, your God.” He wanted the people to understand he meant what he said. The same applies today. We have not received God's suggestions, but his commandments.

- The Lord's Supper will be offered in this service. You may register to receive it today.
- Christian Education will follow the service.

LWMS Spring Rally

On **March 9th**, Calvary Lutheran Church, Canyon Country, will host their first spring rally. Registration starts at 8:30 am and it concludes at 2:30 pm. The speaker will be Pastor Barton Cox. He was assigned to the congregation from the Seminary to do a “mission restart.” His presentation will focus on the “Andrew Plan—Come and See!”

The Mission Box remains on the table outside. You may place your gift in it, or you may speak with Sonja Todd for more information.

Come and learn more about sharing Jesus Christ as you also support our sister congregation of the Los Angeles Circuit.

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