

St. John-St. James

Ev. Lutheran Church & School



MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE #3

3:15 & 6:30 PM Services

March 16, 2022



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AS WE GATHER

In the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

My heavenly Father, I thank you through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, for graciously keeping me through this day. Forgive me all the sins that I have done against you, and graciously keep me through this night. I commend my body and soul and all things into your hands. Let your holy angel be with me, so that the devil may have no power over me. Amen.

(Luther's Evening Prayer)

WELCOME

The Semblance of Legality

Opening Hymn:

Come to Calv'ry's Holy Mountain

Christian Worship, Hymn # 394

G Verse 1

♪ **Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain,
Sinners, ruined by the fall;
Here a pure and healing fountain
Flows to you, to me, to all,
In a full, perpetual tide,
Opened when our Savior died.**

(Our Hymn continues on the next page.)

C Verse 3 **♩** **Come in sorrow and contrition,
Wounded, paralyzed, and blind;
Here the guilty, free remission,
Here the troubled, peace may find.
Health this fountain will restore;
They that drink shall thirst no more.**

PLEASE STAND

OPENING VERSES

M The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

C **Amen.**

M It is good to give thanks to the Lord.

C **to sing praise to your name, O Most High,**

M to herald your love in the morning,

C **your truth at the close of day.**

C Verse 1

♩ **Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray.
Your grace and peace to us allow
And guard and keep your people now. (CW, Hymn #790)**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

C **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.**

(Silent reflection and confession of personal sins.)

ABSOLUTION

M 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.

C **Amen.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

M Hear me, LORD, and answer me. Guard my life; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; have mercy on me, Lord, for I call to you all day long. Bring joy to your servant, Lord, for I put my trust in you. You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you. Hear my prayer, LORD; listen to my cry for mercy; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (Psalm 86:1-6)

C **Amen.**

BE SEATED

Musical Offering:

3:15 pm service only

What Wondrous Love Is This?

SJSJ students

Lesson Response:

M This is the Passion* of our Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

** Passion—Jesus' suffering is often referred to as His Passion. The reference comes from the Greek (πασχω) and the Latin (passio). In English it means to suffer, bear, or endure. Our English words "patience, patient" are related.*

Hymn of the Day:

In the Hour of Trial

Christian Worship, Hymn # 406

C Verse 1

♪ **In the hour of trial, Jesus, plead for me
Lest by base denial I unworthy be.
When you see me waver, With a look recall,
Nor for fear or favor Ever let me fall.**

C Verse 2

♪ **With forbidden pleasures Should this vain world charm
Or its tempting treasures Spread to work me harm,
Bring to my remembrance Sad Gethsemane
Or, in darker semblance, Cross-crowned Calvary.**

C Verse 3

♪ **Should your mercy send me Sorrow, toil, and woe,
Or should pain attend me On my path below,
Grant that I may never Fail your cross to view;
Grant that I may ever Cast my care on you.**

Luke 22:66

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⁶⁶ At daybreak the council of the elders of the people, both the chief priests and the teachers of the law, met together, and Jesus was led before them.

PLEASE STAND

CLOSING PRAYER

M Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C **Listen to my cry.**

M Keep me as the apple of your eye;

C **Hide me in the shadow of your wings.**

M In righteousness I shall see you;

C **When I am away, your presence will give me joy.**

M Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of the fleeting world may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SONG OF SIMEON

C Verse 1 **In peace, Lord,**
In peace you let your servant now depart
According to your word.
For my eyes have seen your salvation,
Which you have prepared for every people,
A light to lighten the Gentiles
And the glory of your people Israel. *(CW, page 231)*

M Let us praise the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

M The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the Son **†**, and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn:

He Stood before the Court

Christian Worship, Hymn # 408

G Verse 1 **He stood before the court**

**On trial instead of us;
He met its pow'r to hurt,
Condemned to face the cross-
Our King, accused of treachery;
Our God, abused for blasphemy!**

G Verse 2 **Shall we be judged and tried?**

**In Christ our trial is done;
We live, for he has died,
Our condemnation gone.
In Christ are we both dead and raised,
Alive and free-his name be praised!**

GUEST PREACHER

Our sincere thanks to Pastor Fricke for leading us in worship and sharing God's Word with us this evening.

Next week we welcome Pastor Philip Janisch from Trinity, Brillion. He'll be preaching on John 18:12 with the theme: **"The Bound Him"**

A light supper will be served from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM this evening.

***Our thanks to the LYA for helping to prepare
and serve the meal this evening.***

We hope you can join us for this special opportunity for fellowship.

Thanks to organist for our services today—Mrs. Charmaine Wagner.