

HIS WOUNDED BODY

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES + ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We welcome you to God's Service in worship at St. John's, and extend a special welcome to all guests and visitors with us.

- All worshipers are requested to complete an attendance card. They will be collected by the acolyte after the sermon. Thank you!
- Share prayer requests using the <u>yellow</u> cards in the pews.

Lent Midweek 2:

His Holy Hands

Prelude

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Hymn #440

Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

(1-2, 5-6)

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Now is the time of God's favor;
- C now is the day of salvation.
- P Turn us again, O God of our salvation,
- C that the light of Your face may shine on us.
- P May Your justice shine like the sun;
- C and may the poor be lifted up.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Psalm 8

P O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above the heavens.

- C Out of the mouth of babes and infants, You have established strength because of Your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.
- P When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,
- C what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care for him?
- P Yet You have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.
- C You have given him dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet,
- P all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,
- C the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

Salutation

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

Collect

P Let us pray. Gracious Father, for the joy set before Him, Your Son, Jesus, endured the suffering of the cross. In our suffering, O Lord, strengthen our faith that we may know Your companionship in our darkest hours; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Epistle Hebrews 2:11–15

¹¹For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹²saying,

"I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

¹³And again, "I will put my trust in him."

And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me."

¹⁴Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

A reading from Mark, chapter 14.

¹²And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" ¹³And he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him, ¹⁴and wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹⁵And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us." ¹⁶And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁷And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." ¹⁹They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, "Is it I?" ²⁰He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. ²¹For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born."

Hymn #420

Christ, the Life of All the Living (1-4)



Sermon "His Holy Hands"

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.

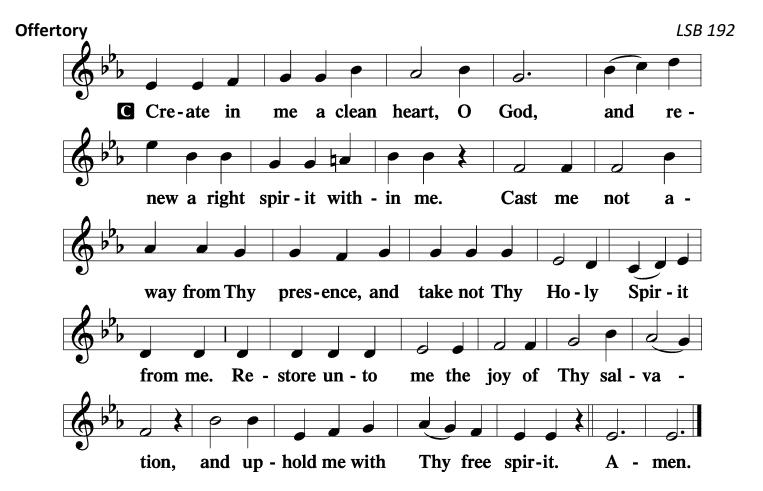
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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.

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Closing Collect

O holy and most merciful God, You have taught us the way of Your commandments. We implore You to pour out Your grace into our hearts. Cause it to bear fruit in us that, being ever mindful of Your mercies and Your laws, we may always be directed to Your will and daily increase in love toward You and one another. Enable us to resist all evil and to live a godly life. Help us to follow the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to walk in His steps until we shall possess the kingdom that has been prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

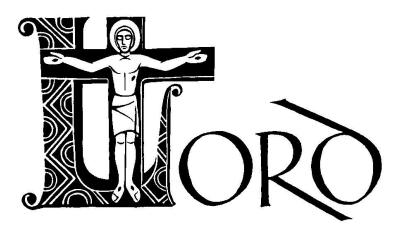
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn #543

What Wondrous Love Is This



Our Lenten series "His Wounded Body" continues through Easter.

We hope you'll be here in God's House next week.

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