

HIS WOUNDED BODY

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES + ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 26, 2025 12:15pm / 6:30pm

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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.

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Those Who Serve Us	
Each Member of St. John's	The Body of Christ
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His Faithful Feet

Prelude

Call to Worship

Welcome

Hymn #702

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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.

Salutation

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

Collect

P Let us pray.

God of love, You lifted up Your Son on the cross so that You could draw all people to Him. Fill us with thanksgiving for this incredible love that we dare to believe is ours. Help us to be faithful servants of Your new covenant, reaching out to all those whom You claim; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Psalm 92

¹Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is | covered.

²Blessèd is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

⁵I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

⁶Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

⁷You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.

 $^{10}\mbox{Many}$ are the sorrows of the wicked,

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

¹¹Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

First Reading Proverbs 4:20–27

²⁰My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings.

- ²¹Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart.
- ²²For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh.
- ²³Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.
- ²⁴Put away from you crooked speech, and put devious talk far from you.
- ²⁵Let your eyes look directly forward, and your gaze be straight before you.
- ²⁶Ponder the path of your feet; then all your ways will be sure.
- ²⁷Do not swerve to the right or to the left; turn your foot away from evil.
- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Passion Reading 4:

Mark 14:32-42

P A reading from Mark, chapter 14.

³²And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. ³⁴And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch." ³⁵And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will." ³⁷And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? ³⁸Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." ³⁹And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. ⁴¹And he came the third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴²Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

- P O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C Thanks be to God.

Sermon His Faithful Feet



Apostle's 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.

Offering Presentation / Collection of Cards

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.

Benediction

- P The Lord bless you, defend you from all evil, and bring you to everlasting life.
- C Amen.

Hymn #718 Jesus, Lead Thou On

Acknowledgments