

MARK 10:45, ESV



☼ Sunday, March 17, 2024
 ☼ Fifth Sunday in Lent
 ⅙ 8:30 am Traditional Service

Welcome in Jesus' Name

May God richly bless you as you worship Him. If you are a guest with us, we want you to feel welcome; you honor us with your presence, and we are glad to have you here. Please fill out the Attendance Registration located in your bulletin. Prayer requests can also be made on the same insert. If you have a specific prayer request that you would like the Pastor to pray for during the Prayers of the Church, please fill out the bulletin insert and give it to an usher, who will then deliver it to the Pastor.

Holy Communion

We celebrate the Lord's Supper as part of our worship service, on the 1st& 3rd Sunday of the month during the 8:30am service and the 2nd& 4th Sunday during the 10:30am service. We invite those who share our confession of faith, namely, that Jesus is truly present in, with & under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation to commune with us. Those who share a different confession or have not yet been instructed in the Lord's Supper are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. We offer individual cups. The light-colored cups in the center are grape juice instead of wine. Pastor will be available prior to the worship service to answer any questions about Holy Communion.

To Our Guests

We often have guests in worship from all over the world. Please introduce yourself to Pastor or a Greeter before or after the worship service.

Restrooms

Restrooms and changing tables are located out the back of the sanctuary and down the hallway.

Out of respect for your fellow worshippers & those who have diligently prepared for this worship service, we ask that you **silence your cell phones** & keep conversation to a minimum prior to the service.

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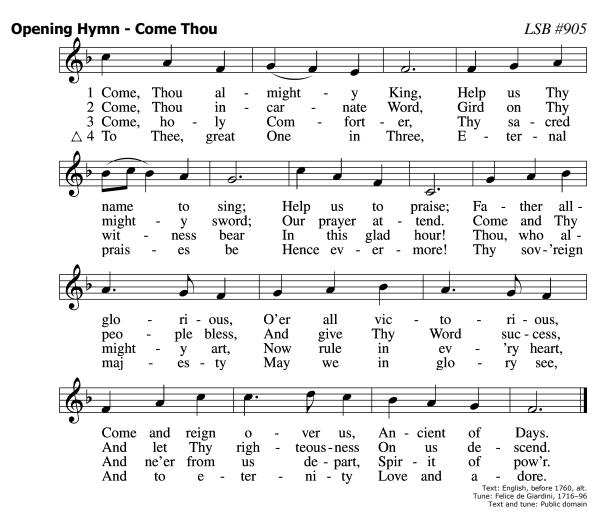
Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Irma Quiroz and the Zuniga Family in memory of Mary Elizabeth Zuniga Vargas, our beloved sister.

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Prelude: "Come Thou, Almighty King" by Kevin Hildebrand

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand for the final verse of the opening hymn



- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Kyrie 168

- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
 - C Lord, have mercy.
 - **P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
 - **C** Lord, have mercy.
 - For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
 - **C** Lord, have mercy.
 - For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
 - C Lord, have mercy.
 - P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
 - C Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Let us pray.

 Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

A Blissful ignorance is grand. It permits me to do things without knowing right or wrong, because, well, I do not know the difference! Here God removes the blissful ignorance debate. God clearly states that I will write my law on their hearts. In other words, everyone knows right from wrong or how to act appropriately in regard to their neighbor. The difference is that some choose to ignore God's direction, live in blissful ignorance, and expect that things will still go well. God's law is written on our hearts, we cannot deny it, but again, why would we even want to? The Old Testament reading is from Jeremiah chapter 31:

³¹"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

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

Epistle Hebrews 5:1-10

Priests have a specific task. They are to stand before God on behalf of the people to offer sacrifices and prayers. Jesus displayed this discipline many different times, because He recognized His position as the ultimate High Priest. He consistently prayed for the people and then finally paid the final sacrifice for our sins. Jesus is our true High Priest. The Epistle is from Hebrews chapter 5:

¹Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

⁶as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

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

Please stand



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1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go. 2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.



You faced with us temp - ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an - cient foe. Lord, help us seek Your liv - ing Word, The food Your grace im -parts.

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Holy Gospel

Mark 10:32-45

Instead of focusing on the question and joining the other disciples in being frustrated with James and John. Let us look at Jesus' response, "rulers lord it over them...exercise authority over them...whoever would be great among you must be your servant." Therefore, do not seek positions of authority, but work to serve as Christ served, strive to love as Christ loved, and live as Christ lived. In all, we must focus on being servant of all. The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the tenth chapter:

G Glory to You, O Lord.

³²And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them,

"The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

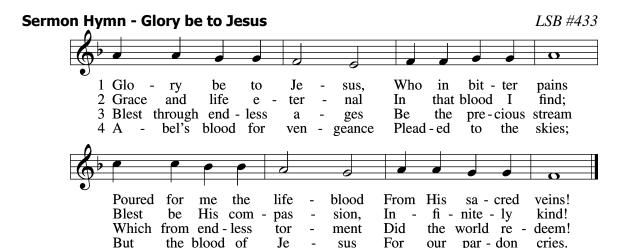
- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \pm of the world to come. Amen.



- Oft as earth exulting
 Wafts its praise on high,
 Angel hosts rejoicing
 Make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices,Swell the mighty flood;Louder still and louderPraise the precious blood!

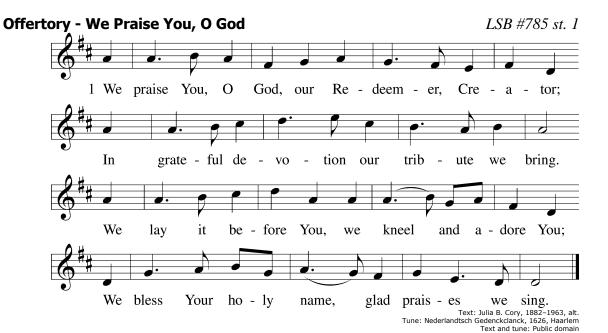
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Offering: "Glory Be to Jesus" by Robert Lau



Prayer of the Church

Preface LSB 177

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

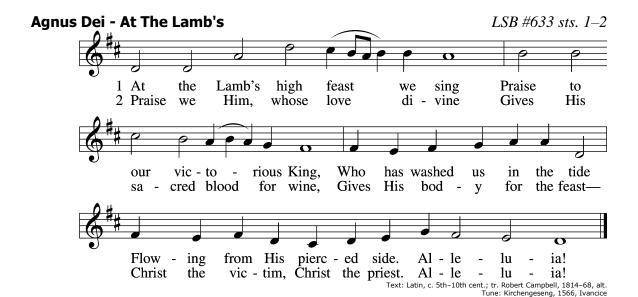
O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

Pax Domini LSB 180

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



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Please be seated

Consider the following as you prepare for Communion

St. Paul reminds us that it is important to examine ourselves and prepare our hearts and minds for the rightful reception of the Lord's Supper. To help with this process, please prayerfully consider the following three questions.

- 1. Do you believe that you are a sinner in need of a Savior?
- 2. Do you believe that Jesus died for your sins and that true life and forgiveness come only through Him?
- 3. Do you believe that Jesus' true body and blood are present in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins?

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation we come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let us find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of our souls and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Distribution

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction LSB 183

C Amen.

Hymn to Depart

P

Lord, Help Me Out

Finding a place where my heart can be I want to live so happily

(Chorus)

So Lord help me out, I've been wandering all over town I want to know what's wrong with my heart

Lord, you are my strength Oh Lord, you are my rock and my Savior, I love you Lord.

Lord, help me out, I need a place to stay 'Cause I've been wandering all night and day.

So please help me out 'Cause I know you've got a plan You know what I need and wherever I stand.

(Chorus)
So Lord help me out,
I've been wandering all over town
I want to know what's wrong with my heart

Lord, you are my strength Oh Lord, you are my rock and my Savior, I love you Lord.

(This song was written by Ava and Elle McGuire)

The Dismissal

- **P** Go in peace and serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God!

Postlude by Phil and Ava

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\$8:30 am - A traditional worship service in the classic Lutheran liturgical style.

₱9:30 am - Adult Bible Study and Sunday School

†10:30 am − Praise Service − A contemporary worship service that is geared to families with young children.

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