

WORSHIP - March 29, 2020

5th Sunday in Lent
2nd Sunday Apart Due to Coronavirus



PRE-WORSHIP MEDITATION

Worship is never canceled, but the location can change. The Book of Revelation tells us that angels in heaven, along with the faithful saints who have gone before, worship God around the clock. “Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence... (7:15)” No matter where you are today, we are united as the body of Christ. There is One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism, One God.

We long to gather together in-person to worship God side by side. We pray that day comes soon, but until then, we still worship the Triune God together, no matter where we are. Take a moment to **pray** that God uniquely blesses you and your family during this season. Your sins are still forgiven each day by our crucified and risen Savior. The Holy Spirit still rests on you and in you, leading the church deeper in faith and faithfulness.

INVOCATION

MORNING PRAYER

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

SING – LSB 436 GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE

Go to dark Gethsemane,
You who feel the tempter's pow'r;
Your Redeemer's conflict see;
Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away;
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall;
View the Lord of life arraigned;
O the worm-wood and the gall!
O the pangs His soul sustained!
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss;
Learn of Him to bear the cross.

Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb
There' adoring at His feet,
Mark the miracle of time,
God's own sacrifice complete:
"It is finished!" Hear the cry;
Learn of Jesus Christ to die.

Early hasten to the tomb
Where they laid his breathless clay;
All is solitude and gloom;
Who hath taken Him away?
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes:
Savior, teach us so to rise.

CONFESSION OF SINS

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 us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

P: I ask you: Do you confess to God Almighty that you are by nature sinful and unclean, in need of God's mercy and forgiveness? If so say, Yes, I confess...

C: Yes, I confess.

P: Do you confess that you have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what you have done and by the good you have failed to do? If so...

C: Yes, I confess

P: Do you confess that you have not loved God with all you heart, nor loved your neighbors as yourself, and that you justly deserve God's punishment now and for eternity? If so...

C: Yes, I confess

P: Do you ask God for mercy? Do you ask God that he would forgive your sins by the death and resurrection of Jesus? Do you ask that God would forgive you, renew you, and lead you, so that you would live in grace, delight in God's Will, and serve God each day? If so say, Yes.

C: Yes

ABSOLUTION

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MOMENT – Scott Jung, Director of Family Life & Discipleship

GOD'S WORD – Matthew 6:25-34, 7:24-29

25 "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? 28 And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, 29 yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

34 "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

24 "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. 26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."

28 And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, 29 for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

APOSTLES' CREED

**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.
On 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.**

SING – LSB 712 SEEK YE FIRST

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and it shall be opened unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Man shall not live by bread alone,
But by ev'ry word
That proceeds from the mouth the Lord
Allelu alleluia

MESSAGE

PRAYERS

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.

BLESSING

SING – WHEN PEACE, LIKE A RIVER

When peace like a river, attendeth my way,
 When sorrows like sea billows roll;
 Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say
 It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Refrain

It is well
 With my soul
 It is well, it is well, with my soul.

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
 My sin, not in part but the whole,
 Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Refrain

And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
 The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
 The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
 Even so, it is well, with my soul.
 Refrain