

Advent Lutheran Church

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Hymn "Glory Be to Jesus" (LSB 433)



1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, Who in bit - ter pains
2 Grace and life e - ter - nal In that blood I find;
3 Blest through end - less a - ges Be the pre - cious stream
4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies;



Poured for me the life - blood From His sa - cred veins!
Blest be His com - pas - sion, In - fi - nite - ly kind!
Which from end - less tor - ment Did the world re - deem!
But the blood of Je - sus For our par - don cries.

- 5 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 louder
Praise the precious blood!

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L The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.
C Amen.

L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
C to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

L to herald Your love in the morning,
C Your truth at the close of the day.

Exhortation

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- L** Holy and gracious God,
C I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.
- L** By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.
- C** Amen.

Reading

Romans 6:1-23

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Matthew 13:44-46

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Psalms 119:105-128

NUN

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

¹⁰⁶I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
to keep your just and righteous decrees.

¹⁰⁷I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O LORD, according to your word!

¹⁰⁸Accept my freewill offerings of praise, O LORD,
and teach me your just decrees.

¹⁰⁹I hold my life in my hand continually,
but I do not forget your law.

¹¹⁰The wicked have laid a snare for me,
but I do not stray from your precepts.

¹¹¹Your testimonies are my heritage forever,
for they are the joy of my heart.

¹¹²I incline my heart to perform your statutes
forever, to the end.

SAMEKH

- ¹¹³I hate the double-minded,
but I love your law.
¹¹⁴You are my hiding place and my shield;
I hope in your word.
¹¹⁵Depart from me, you evildoers,
that I may keep the commandments of my God.
¹¹⁶Uphold me according to your promise, that I may live,
and let me not be put to shame in my hope!
¹¹⁷Hold me up, that I may be safe
and have regard for your statutes continually!
¹¹⁸You spurn all who go astray from your statutes,
for their cunning is in vain.
¹¹⁹All the wicked of the earth you discard like dross,
therefore I love your testimonies.
¹²⁰My flesh trembles for fear of you,
and I am afraid of your judgments.

AYIN

- ¹²¹I have done what is just and right;
do not leave me to my oppressors.
¹²²Give your servant a pledge of good;
let not the insolent oppress me.
¹²³My eyes long for your salvation
and for the fulfillment of your righteous promise.
¹²⁴Deal with your servant according to your steadfast love,
and teach me your statutes.
¹²⁵I am your servant; give me understanding,
that I may know your testimonies!
¹²⁶It is time for the LORD to act,
for your law has been broken.
¹²⁷Therefore I love your commandments
above gold, above fine gold.
¹²⁸Therefore I consider all your precepts to be right;
I hate every false way.

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

Responsory

- L** Into Your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
C Into Your hands I commend my spirit.
L You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
C Into Your hands I commend my spirit.
L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
C Into Your hands I commend my spirit.

Hymn “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” (LSB 437)



1 A - las! And did my Sav - ior bleed, And
 2 Was it for crimes that I had done He
 3 Well might the sun in dark - ness hide And
 4 Thus might I hide my blush - ing face While
 5 But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay The



did my sov - 'reign die? Would He de - vote that
 groaned up - on the tree? A - maz - ing pit - y,
 shut his glo - ries in When God, the might - y,
 His dear cross ap - pears, Dis - solve my heart in
 debt of love I owe; Here, Lord, I give my -



sa - cred head For such a worm as I?
 grace un - known, And love be - yond de - gree!
 mak - er, died For His own crea - tures' sin.
 thank - ful - ness, And melt mine eyes to tears.
 self a - way: 'Tis all that I can do.

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Sermon “To Love the Law”

A proclamation of Christ from Psalm 119:105-128

Prayer

- L** Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C** listen to my cry.

- L** Keep me as the apple of Your eye;
- C** hide me in the shadow of Your wings.

- L** In righteousness I shall see You;
- C** when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.

- L** Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

- L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- 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.**

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 258

- L** Guide us waking, O Lord,
and guard us sleeping
that awake we may watch with Christ
and asleep we may rest in peace.
- C** **Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation
which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:
a light to reveal You to the nations
and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.
Guide us waking, O Lord,
and guard us sleeping
that awake we may watch with Christ
and asleep we may rest in peace.**

Benediction

LSB 259

- P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.
- C** Amen.

Hymn "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy" (LSB 434)



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,



Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.



All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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