

**First Week of Lent**  
**March 1, 2023 7:00 p.m. Service**

LENT



**Life Under Christ's Cross**

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
***'HEARING, SHARING, AND LIVING THE GOSPEL'***



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## Offering

*In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God's abundant provision to you, please use the offering plates in the back as you enter or exit. (This is just as it says: An offering to God through His church. As a reassurance to those in worship today, especially our guests - this is not an obligation - the good news of Jesus is free to all!)*

**FIRST WEEK OF LENT**  
The Office of Vespers *LSB 229*  
March 1, 2023 7:00 p.m.

**Note: Where there is a Lenten option, we shall use it.**

*Prelude*

*Welcome*

*Opening Hymn* *LSB 608 sts. 1-4*  
*“Lord, to You I Make Confession”*

1 Lord, to You I make con - fes - sion: I have sinned and  
2 Yet, though con - science' voice ap - pall me, Fa - ther, I will  
3 For Your Son has suf - fered for me, Giv'n Him - self to  
4 Lord, on You I cast my bur - den— Sink it in the  
gone a - stray, I have mul - ti - plied trans - gres - sion,  
seek Your face; Though Your child I dare not call me,  
res - cue me, Died to save me and re - store me,  
deep - est sea! Let me know Your gra - cious par - don,  
Cho - sen for my - self my way. Led by You to  
Yet re - ceive me in Your grace. Do not for my  
Rec - on - ciled and set me free. Je - sus' cross a -  
Cleanse me from in - iq - ui - ty. Let Your Spir - it



see my er - rors, Lord, I trem - ble at Your ter - rors.  
 sins for - sake me; Let Your wrath not o - ver - take me.  
 lone can van - quish These dark fears and soothe this an - guish.  
 leave me nev - er; Make me on - ly Yours for - ev - er.

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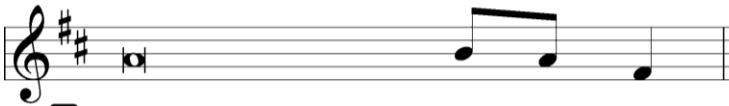
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# Versicles and Response

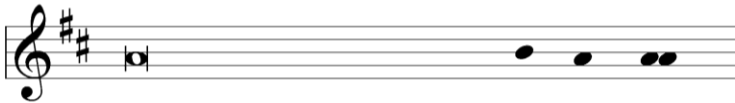
*LSB 229*



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

## **Psalm 32** *(in the front of the hymnal)*

**☐** **☑** **32 Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.**

**2 Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

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

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

**5 I 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.**

**6 Therefore 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.**

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

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

**9 Be 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 Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.**

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

**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.**

*Sit*

Office Hymn

LSB 421 sts. 1-5

“Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”



1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing In Your ho - ly  
2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion Fas - ci - nate my  
3 If the world my heart en - tic - es With the broad and  
4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord,



wounds I find, Ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing Pains of  
sin - ful mind, Draw me to Your cross and pas - sion, And new  
eas - y road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful vi - ces, Let me  
is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in  
cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,  
weigh the aw - ful load You were will - ing to en - dure.  
new life to my soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet



Tempt my treach - 'rous heart to sin, Show the per - il, and from  
Let me then be on my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me was  
Help me flee all thoughts im - pure And to mas - ter each temp -  
Ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; For Your all - a - ton - ing



sin - ning Keep me from its first be - gin - ning.  
wound - ed," That the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.  
ta - tion, Calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.  
pas - sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.

5 O my God, my rock and tower,  
Grant that in Your death I trust,  
Knowing death has lost its power  
Since You crushed it in the dust.  
Savior, let Your agony  
Ever help and comfort me;  
When I die be my protection,  
Light and life and resurrection.

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## **Readings from Holy Scripture**

*LSB 230*

*The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ Drawn from the  
Four Gospels – The Lord’s Supper*

**P** “You know that after two days is the Feast of the Passover, and the Son of Man will be given over to be crucified.”

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread, also called the Passover, drew near, and the chief priests and scribes sought out how they might kill him. They assembled with the elders of the people in the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, and consulted how they might take Jesus craftily and put him to death. But they said, "Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar among the people."



Then Satan entered into Judas, surnamed Iscariot, one of the Twelve. He went his way to the chief priests and captains and spoke together with them how he might betray Jesus to them. They were glad to hear him. He said to them, "What will you give me to betray him to you?"

They promised to give him money and agreed with him for thirty pieces of silver. He accepted, and from that time he sought opportunity to betray him in the absence of the multitude.

Then came the first day of Unleavened Bread when they sacrificed the Passover lamb. Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover, that we may eat it."

They said to him, "Where do you want us to prepare it?"

He said to them, "Go into the city and, when you have entered the city, watch for a man bearing a pitcher of water. When he meets you, follow him

into the house where he enters. You shall say to the man who lives there, "The Master says to you, "My time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at your house. Where is the guest chamber where I shall eat the Passover with my disciples?" And he will show you a large upper room, furnished and prepared; there make ready for us."

The disciples did as Jesus had directed them. They came into the city and found it as he had told them; and they made ready the Passover.

When the hour was come, Jesus sat down and the apostles with him. As they were eating, he said, "I have longed to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, for I say to you I shall not eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

As they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "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, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

"Truly I say to you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in the kingdom of my Father."

There was also a strife among them as to which of them should be accounted the greatest. He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority over them are called 'benefactors.' It shall not be so among you. He that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that serves. For who is greater, he that sits at the table or he that serves? Is it not he that sits at the table? But I am among you as a servant. You are they who have continued with me in my temptations. I

appoint you to a kingdom, as my Father has appointed me. You shall eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

Jesus knew that his hour was come to depart from the world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who are in the world, he loved them to the finish. Already Satan had put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him. Jesus knew that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God. He rose from supper, laid aside his garments, and girded himself with a towel. He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel with which he was girded.

When he came to Simon Peter, Peter said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?"

Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not know now, but after these things you will understand."

Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with me."

Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head."

Jesus said to him, "He who has been bathed does not need to wash more than his feet, for he is clean altogether. You are clean, but not all of you." He knew who was to betray him; that was why he said not everyone was clean.

So after he had washed their feet and taken his garments and sat down again, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me the Master and the Lord, and it is good that you say this, for so I am. If I, then, your Lord and Master,

have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. I have done this to show you the way to do as I have done to you. Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his lord; neither is he that is sent greater than he that sent him. If you know these things, happy are you if you do them.

"I do not speak of you all; I know whom I have chosen. The Scripture must be fulfilled, 'He that eats bread with me has lifted up his heel against me.' Already now I tell you of this, before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe that I am he.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever receives anyone whom I shall send, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives him who sent me."

When Jesus had said these things, his spirit was in turmoil. He bore witness and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you that one of you will betray me."

The disciples looked at each other dumbfounded about whom he spoke. One of his disciples, whom

Jesus loved, was leaning on Jesus' bosom. Simon Peter said to him, "Ask who it is of whom he is speaking."

That disciple who was reclining on Jesus' chest said to him, "Lord, who is it?"

Jesus then answered, "It is the one to whom I shall give the piece of bread after I have dipped it."

He dipped the piece of bread he had in his hand and gave it to Judas, son of Simon Iscariot. After the piece of bread had been dipped, Satan entered into that one. Jesus said to him, "What you are doing, do quickly."

No one at the table knew what the purpose was of what Jesus had said to him. Because Judas kept the money bag, some thought Jesus had told him to buy what was needed for the feast or to give something to the poor. When that man had received the piece of bread, he went out immediately, and it was night.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and in him God is glorified. If God is glorified in him, God will glorify him in himself, and at once he will glorify him.

"Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' A new commandment I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you. For this I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?"

Jesus answered him, "Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but afterwards you will follow me."

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.





## **Canticle – The Magnificat**

*LSB 231-232*

**☐** **☐** My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior;

**☐** for He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.

**☐** For behold, from this day all generations will call me blessed.

**☐** For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;

**☐** and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.

**☐** He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

**☐** He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has exalted the lowly.

**☐** He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away.

**☐** He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and his seed forever.

**P C** 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.

## Kyrie

*LSB 233*



**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13, LSB 233*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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.**

## **Collects Versicle**

*LSB 233*



**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.



**C** And let my cry come to You.



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir - it.

## **Collect of the Day**

**P** Let us pray. O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the

glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## **Additional Collects**

### **Collect of Peace**

*LSB 233*

**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

# Benedicamus

LSB 234



**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

# Benediction *2 Corinthians 13:14, LSB 234*



**L** The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with us all.



**C** A - men.

# Sit

## Closing Hymn

LSB 419 sts. 1-4

### *“Savior, When in Dust to Thee”*



1 Sav - ior, when in dust to Thee Low we bow the a -  
2 By Thy help - less in - fant years, By Thy life of  
3 By Thine hour of dire de - spair, By Thine ag - o -  
4 By Thy deep ex - pir - ing groan, By the sad se -



dor - ing knee;      When, re - pen - tant,      to the skies  
want and tears,      By Thy days of deep dis - tress  
ny of prayer,      By the cross, the nail, the thorn,  
pul - chral stone,      By the vault whose dark a - bode



Scarce we lift our weep - ing eyes;      O, by all Thy  
In the sav - age wil - der - ness,      By the dread, mys -  
Pierc - ing spear, and tor - turing scorn,      By the gloom that  
Held in vain the ris - ing God,      O, from earth to



pains and woe Suf - fered once for us be - low,      Bend - ing  
te - rious hour Of the in - sult - ing tempt - er's pow'r,      Turn, O  
veiled the skies O'er the dread - ful sac - ri - fice,      Lis - ten  
heav'n re - stored, Might - y, re - as - cend - ed Lord,      Bend - ing



from Thy throne on high,      Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
turn a fa - v'ring eye;      Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
to our hum - ble sigh;      Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
from Thy throne on high,      Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!

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## ***Announcements***

## ***Postlude***

## **LENTEN PRACTICES**

As part of our Lenten practices, we make use of any Lenten options that Vespers may offer.

## **MID-WEEK LENTEN VESPERS**

Our Lenten Vespers continue next **Wednesday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m.** Pastor Burge's sermon, "Protection Under The Cross: Christ's Gift Of Keeping," will be based on Psalm 121. Continue to prepare for Jesus' resurrection by worshiping on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.