

**Fifth Midweek in Lent  
A Lenten Journey with Joseph  
Compline  
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*\* Please turn off cellphones \**

**Our Lenten theme for 2022 will be:**  
**A Lenten Journey with Joseph!**

I was so taken with this idea and of how we are brought to the intersection of the patriarch Joseph's life to Jesus' life with our lives that I wanted to share this with you!

It is written by Rev. Michael W. Henrichs, STM, pastor Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church, Whitefish Bay, WI. (*It comes from Concordia Pulpit Resources, volume 32, Part 2 March 6- June 5, 2022 Series C*)

He has crafted a very good series that we will all benefit from. Please make plans to be here for the whole series as you're able. It will be well worth it!

**The titles are:**

- |                  |                              |                           |
|------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Ash Wednesday: | The Genesis of Joseph        | Gen 30:22-24              |
| 2 Midweek 2:     | A Wondrous Silence           | Gen 37:12-36; Lk 22:14-31 |
| 3 Midweek 3:     | A Miracle of Miracles        | Gen 39:1-21; Lk 22:31-51  |
| 4 Midweek 4:     | Wait for the Lord            | Gen 41:9-16; Lk 22:52-71  |
| 5 Midweek 5:     | Chased by a Dirty Conscience | Gen 42:6-24; Lk 23:1-25   |
| 6 Midweek 6:     | God <i>Does</i> Have a Plan  | Gen 45:1-15; Lk 23:26-47  |
| 7 Good Friday:   | Forgiveness Finished         | Gen 50:15-21; Jn 19:30    |

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## **Invocation**

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

**P** We begin in the name into which we are baptized; In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## **Opening Versicles** *LSB 253*

**P** The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

**C** Amen.

**P** It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

**C** to sing praise to Your name, **O Most High;**

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

*Stand*

**Confession and Absolution** *LSB 254*

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

*(Silence for self-examination and confession to God. Reflect on His Word and consider your life according to the Ten Commandments: This and whatever comes to mind, confess now, and receive God's total absolution.)*

**P** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to

have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

**C** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.

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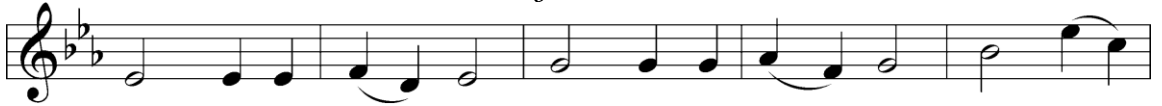
**C** Amen.

# Sit

## Office Hymn

LSB 537 sts. 1-4

### “Beautiful Savior”



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.  
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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## **Reading From Holy Scripture**      *LSB 255*

### **Reading**      *Genesis 42:6-24*

6 Now Joseph was the governor of the land, the person who sold grain to all its people. So when Joseph's brothers arrived, they bowed down to him with their faces to the ground. 7 As soon as Joseph saw his brothers, he recognized them, but he pretended to be a stranger and spoke harshly to them. "Where do you come from?" he asked.

"From the land of Canaan," they replied, "to buy food."

8 Although Joseph recognized his brothers, they did not recognize him. 9 Then he remembered his dreams about them and said to them, "You are spies! You have come to see where our land is unprotected."

10 “No, my lord,” they answered. “Your servants have come to buy food. 11 We are all the sons of one man. Your servants are honest men, not spies.”

12 “No!” he said to them. “You have come to see where our land is unprotected.”

13 But they replied, “Your servants were twelve brothers, the sons of one man, who lives in the land of Canaan. The youngest is now with our father, and one is no more.”

14 Joseph said to them, “It is just as I told you: You are spies! 15 And this is how you will be tested: As surely as Pharaoh lives, you will not leave this place unless your youngest brother comes here. 16 Send one of your number to get your brother; the rest of you will be kept in prison, so that your words may be tested to see if you are



telling the truth. If you are not, then as surely as Pharaoh lives, you are spies!”

17 And he put them all in custody for three days.

18 On the third day, Joseph said to them, “Do this and you will live, for I fear

God: 19 If you are honest men, let one of your brothers stay here in prison, while the rest of you go and take grain back for your starving households. 20 But you must bring your youngest brother to me, so that your words may be verified and that you may not die.” This they proceeded to do.

21 They said to one another, “Surely we are being punished because of our brother. We saw how distressed he was when he pleaded with us for his life, but we would not listen; that’s why this distress has come on us.”

22 Reuben replied, “Didn’t I tell you not to sin against the boy? But you wouldn’t listen! Now we must give an accounting for his blood.” 23 They did not realize that Joseph could understand them, since he was using an interpreter.

24 He turned away from them and began to weep, but then came back and spoke to them again. He had Simeon taken from them and bound before their eyes.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Reading**

*Luke 23:1-25*

23 Then the whole assembly rose and led him off to Pilate. 2 And they began to accuse him, saying, “We have found this

man subverting our nation. He opposes payment of taxes to Caesar and claims to be Messiah, a king.”

3 So Pilate asked Jesus, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

“You have said so,” Jesus replied.

4 Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, “I find no basis for a charge against this man.”

5 But they insisted, “He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here.”

6 On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean. 7 When he learned that Jesus was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

8 When Herod saw Jesus, he was greatly pleased, because for a long time he had been wanting to see him. From what he had heard about him, he hoped to see him perform a sign of some sort. 9 He plied him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. 10 The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing him. 11 Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. 12 That day Herod and Pilate became friends – before this they had been enemies.

13 Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people, 14 and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people to rebellion. I

have examined him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against him. 15 Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us; as you can see, he has done nothing to deserve death. 16 Therefore, I will punish him and then release him.” [17]

18 But the whole crowd shouted, “Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!” 19 (Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.)

20 Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. 21 But they kept shouting, “Crucify him! Crucify him!”

22 For the third time he spoke to them: “Why? What crime has this man committed? I have found in him no grounds

for the death penalty. Therefore I will have him punished and then release him.”

23 But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that he be crucified, and their shouts prevailed. 24 So Pilate decided to grant their demand. 25 He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Responsory**

*LSB 255*

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

**C** Into Your hands I commend my spirit.

**P** You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

**C** Into Your hands I commend my spirit.

**P** Glory be to the Father and to the ✠ Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** Into Your hands I commend my spirit.

*Sit*

*Hymn of the Day*

*LSB 609 sts. 1-4*

*“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”*



1 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this  
2 We de - serve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich  
3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shep - herd  
4 I, a sin - ner, come to Thee With a pen - i -



say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions live  
grace re - veal - ing, Par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;  
e'er for - sak - eth; Wea - ry souls that lost their way  
tent con - fes - sion. Sav - ior, mer - cy show to me;



And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is hope for  
Here our ills have per - fect heal - ing. Firm - ly in these  
Christ, the Shep - herd, gent - ly tak - eth In His arms that  
Grant for all my sins re - mis - sion. Let these words my



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
words be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
they may live: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
soul re - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.

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## **Sermon “Chased by a Dirty Conscience” Pastor Tom Rhodes**

### **Offering**

*In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God’s abundant provision to you, please use the offering plate 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!)*



*Stand*

**Apostles' Creed**

*LSB 192*

**☐ ☑ 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.**

**Prayer**

*LSB 256*

**P** Hear my prayer, O Lord;

**C** listen to my cry.

**P** Keep me as the apple of Your eye;

**C** hide me in the shadow of Your wings.

**P** In righteousness I shall see You;

**C** when I awake Your presence will give me joy.

*Brief silence*

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** 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 and with all the  
faithful, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Lord's Prayer**      *Matthew 6:9-13, LSB 257*

**P** 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*

**☐** Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

**☑** 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 us and keep us.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

*Closing Hymn*

*LSB 923 sts. 1-3*

*“Almighty Father, Bless the Word”*



1 Al - might - y Fa - ther, bless the Word Which through Your  
2 We praise You for the means of grace As home - ward  
△3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all



grace we now have heard. Oh, may the pre - cious  
now our steps we trace. Grant, Lord, that we who  
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye



seed take root, Spring up, and bear a - bun - dant fruit!  
wor - shiped here May all at last in heav'n ap - pear.  
heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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