

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE

March 12th, 2025

PRELUDE AND WELCOME

OPENING HYMN #420:1-2;4;6-7

Christ, the Life of All the Living

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1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, a
4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur-round Thee, Treat - ing Thee with
6 Thou hast suf - fered great af - flic - tion And hast borne it
7 Then, for all that wrought my par - don, For Thy sor - rows



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee,
shame - ful scorn And with pierc - ing thorns they crowned Thee.
pa - tient - ly, E - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion,
deep and sore, For Thine an - guish in the Gar - den,



To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'ings,
O Thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst Thou my
All dis - grace Thou, Lord, hast borne, That as Thine Thou
Ful - ly to a - tone for me; Thou didst choose to
I will thank Thee ev - er - more, Thank Thee for Thy



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.
might - est own me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me.
be - tor - ment - ed That my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
groan - ing, sigh - ing, For Thy bleed - ing and Thy dy - ing,



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
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For that last tri - um - phant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Without a Savior, sin marks us.
We can't wash it away or erase what nailed our Savior to a tree.
C **but we are made new through Christ on the cross.**
- P** Isaiah writes, "But he was pierced for our transgressions,
he was crushed for our iniquities...
C **the punishment that brought us peace was on him,
and by his wounds we are healed."**
- P** Here's the good news. Jesus changed everything, for us.
He lived, died and rose again, to take away our sins.
You are forgiven, in Jesus' name!
C Amen

SONG

Clean

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Precious blood has left me forgiven,
Pure like the whitest of snow,
Powerful to make sin and shame retreat.
This covenant is making me whole.

Chorus: So, I will rise and lift my head,
For by His mercy, my life was spared.
The highest Name has set me free.
Because of Jesus My heart is clean.

Purify my heart in Your presence,
Teach me to discover the joy
Of holiness that forms as You draw me close.
In You what was lost is restored. *Chorus 2x*

PSALM 25:14-20

The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him,
and he makes known to them his covenant.

My eyes are ever toward the Lord,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.

The troubles of my heart are enlarged;
bring me out of my distresses.

Consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins.

Consider how many are my foes,
and with what violent hatred they hate me.

Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!
Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

**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.**

READING

Exodus 33:7-11

Now Moses used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, far off from the camp, and he called it the tent of meeting. And everyone who sought the Lord would go out to the tent of meeting, which was outside the camp. Whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the people would rise up, and each would stand at his tent door, and watch Moses until he had gone into the tent. When Moses entered the tent, the pillar of cloud would descend and stand at the entrance of the tent, and the Lord would speak with Moses. And when all the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the entrance of the tent, all the people would rise up and worship, each at his tent door. Thus the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. When Moses turned again into the camp, his assistant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, would not depart from the tent.

P Long ago, at many times and in many ways,
God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,

C **but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.**

SERMON HYMN #770

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

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- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
 All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
 Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
 Oh, what needless pain we bear—
All because we do not carry
 Ev'rything to God in prayer!

- 2 Have we trials and temptations?
 Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
 Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.

- 3 Are we weak and heavy laden,
 Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
 Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;
 Thou wilt find a solace there.

SERMON

OFFERING HYMN #976:1; 4-5

Give Me Jesus

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1 In the morn - ing when I rise, In the morn - ing when I rise,
4 Oh, when I come to die, Oh, when I come to die,
5 And when I want to sing, And when I want to sing,



In the morn - ing when I rise, Give me Je - sus.
Oh, when I come to die, Give me Je - sus.
And when I want to sing, Give me Je - sus.

Refrain



Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, Give me Je - sus.

PRAYERS OF THE EVENING

- P** Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
- C** Have mercy and hear us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Let us pray,
- P** Stir up, we implore you, your power, O Lord, and come that by your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and be saved by your mighty deliverance; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

P We pray together;
C **We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all our perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen**

THE BLESSING

P Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
C **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

I'm Forever Grateful

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You did not wait for me to draw near to You, But You
 3 clothed Your-self with frail hu-man - i - ty. You
 5 did not wait for me to cry out to You, But You
 7 let me hear You voice call-ing me. And I'm for - ev - er

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grate-ful to You, I'm for-ev-er grate-ful for the

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cross. I'm for-ev-er grate-ful to You that You

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came to seek and save the lost.

POSTLUDE

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