

Lent 6

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 20, 2024

WELCOME!

We love that you are here tonight! The service is printed in this folder. Some hymns may need to be found in the blue hymnal beneath the seat in front of you.

Restrooms are located in the hallway to the right as you exit the worship space, as well as across the hall as you enter into the school.

Quiet room Parents may use the library in the back of this worship space which still enables you to hear/see the service.

A **Connection Card** and pen are found in the pocket of the chair in front of you. Time will be provided to fill it out during the service. You may drop it in the wicker basket along the wall after the service.

USHERING DUTIES – 7TH & 8TH GRADE

As we have for more than 20 years, once again we are employing our 7^{th} and 8^{th} graders for the ushering duties for the Wednesday service throughout the Lenten season. They have been trained for these roles. We are grateful to God for those young people and love to involve them in the most important thing we do as a congregation.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN OFFERINGS

The offerings from our Wednesday Lenten services will go toward our Peace Lutheran School tuition assistance. Our Tuition Assistance Fund is entirely funded by individual gifts and supports member students who desire to send their children to Peace. There is an offering plate by the doorway.

YOU CAN GIVE OFFERINGS ELECTRONICALLY

Log on to our website – <u>www.peacewels.org</u> – and click on "Give" from the top menu.

The Bible tells us to give a <u>regular percentage</u> of our income (1 Co 16:2). We are to give from the top and not the leftovers after the bills are paid (Pr 3:9). In this way we ascribe to God his worth to us as well as our confidence in him to provide.

THE SYMBOL ON THE COVER

The letters on the cross (It looks like "ihs") are the first three letters of the name "Jesus" in Greek. The Christian Church has used this symbol for many centuries to remind us of Jesus.

Later, these three letters came to signify the Latin words: Jesus, Savior of Men. In some circles the three letters came to mean: In this (the cross) is salvation.

THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THESE WEDNESDAY SERVICES

The main reason for our Wednesday evening services during Lent is to hear the Passion History of Christ leading up to his death and burial. This year we are hearing it – segment by segment – from the Gospel of Mark.

We don't get to hear the Passion History like this in its unbroken entirety any other time of the year. This tradition helps us to prepare for the celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday.

THE MOMENT OF CHRIST'S DEATH

In each Wednesday service the pastor delivers a brief devotion. This year the devotions will focus on significant details that took place at the moment of Christ's death.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

| Presider | Rev. Shaun Arndt |
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| Keyboard | Ms. Johanna Brauer |
| Flute | Erin Gleason |
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Mission Statement

As men, women and children united in faith and worship by the Word of God, we are **committed to making disciples,** using the gospel to win the lost for Christ, and nurturing believers for Christian service, all to the glory of God.

Service Times

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am; Monday 6:30 pm
The most recent service is on our website homepage:

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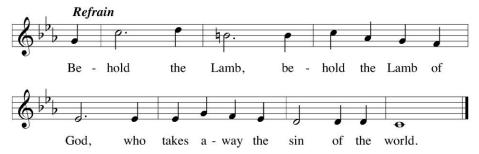
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PSALM Psalm 22





My God, my God, why have you for<u>sa</u>ken me? Why are you so far from <u>sav</u>ing me?

I am a worm and <u>not</u> a man, scorned by men and despised by the <u>peo</u>ple.

All who see me <u>mock</u> me; they hurl insults, shak<u>ing</u> their heads:

"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD <u>res</u>cue him. Let him deliver him, since he de<u>lights</u> in him."

Refrain

My strength is dried up, and my tongue sticks to the roof <u>of</u> my mouth; you lay me in the <u>dust</u> of death.

A band of evil men has en<u>cir</u>cled me, they have pierced my hands <u>and</u> my feet.

They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.

But you, O LORD, be <u>not</u> far off; O my Strength, come quickly to <u>help</u> me. Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

PASSION HISTORY READING

Mark 15:16-47

¹⁶The soldiers led him away inside the palace, which is the Praetorium, and called together the whole cohort of soldiers. ¹⁷They put a purple robe on him, twisted together a crown of thorns, and put it on him. ¹⁸The soldiers began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹They kept hitting him on the head with a reed and spitting on him. They also kneeled down to pay homage to him.

²⁰When they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothing on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

²¹A certain man, Simon of Cyrene (the father of Alexander and Rufus), was passing by on his way in from the country. They forced him to carry Jesus' cross. ²²They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means, "The place of a skull." ²³They tried to give him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴They crucified him. And they divided his garments, casting lots for them to decide what each of them would take.

²⁵Now it was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶The superscription stating the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷They also crucified two criminals with him, one on his right and one on his left.

²⁹Those who passed by ridiculed him, shaking their heads and saying, "Ha! You who are going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, ³⁰save yourself! Come down from the cross!"

³¹In the same way, the chief priests along with the experts in the law mocked him among themselves. "He saved others," they said. "He cannot save himself. ³²Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross so that we may see and believe!"

Those who were crucified with him also insulted him.

³³When it was the sixth hour, darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴At the ninth hour Jesus shouted with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

³⁵When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "Listen, he's calling Elijah!"

³⁶Someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. They said, "Leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down."

³⁷Jesus cried out with a loud voice and breathed his last. ³⁸The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. ³⁹When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he cried out and breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

⁴⁰There were also women watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹When he was in Galilee, they followed him and served him. Many other women also came up with him to Jerusalem.

⁴²It was already evening, and since it was Preparation Day (that is, the day before the Sabbath), ⁴³Joseph from Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, boldly went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴Pilate was surprised that he was already dead. He summoned the centurion and asked him if Jesus had been dead for a long time. ⁴⁵When he learned from the centurion that it was so, he granted the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶Joseph bought a linen cloth, took him down, and wrapped him in the linen cloth. He laid him in a tomb that had been cut out of rock, and he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. ⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses were watching where the body was laid.

HYMN

O Dearest Jesus, What Law Have You Broken | CW 432

DEVOTION

The Moment of Christ's Death

Matthew 27:51b-53 – Many came out of their graves

MUSICAL OFFERING

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded arranged by Gordon Schuster

PRAYER

O Lord, support us all day long, till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER



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SONG OF SIMEON





The closing hymn is on the following page.

Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted | CW 430

CLOSING HYMN



- 1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af-flict-ed, see him dy-ing on the
- 2 Tell me, as you hear him groan-ing, was there ev er grief like
- 3 If you think of sin but light ly nor sup-pose the e vil 4 Here we have a firm foun da tion, here the ref uge of the



'Tis Christ, tree! the by man re - ject - ed; yes, my friends through fear cause dis - own - ing, his. his foes in na - ture right - ly, great, here vou its here its see lost: Christ. the rock of sal - va - tion, is our the



soul, 'tis he, 'tis he.
sult - ing his dis - tress?
guilt may es - ti - mate.
name of which we boast;

'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Man - y hands were raised to Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - Lamb of God, for sin - ners



Proph - et, Da - vid's son, vet Da - vid's Lord; proofs Ι wound him, none would in ter vene to save; but the point - ed, see who bears aw - ful 'tis the the load; wound - ed, sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall



see suf - fi - cient of it: 'tis the true and faith - ful Word. deep - est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that jus - tice gave. Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God. ev - er be con - found - ed who on him their hope have built.

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