

**Lent II**  
**“Humility and Blessing”**  
*John 13:1-20*  
**February 28, 2024**

**DIVINE SERVICE 4**

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**HYMN: “Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”**

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**PSALM 32—*spoken responsively***

- P** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
**C** **whose sin is covered.**
- P** Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,  
**C** **and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**
- P** For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away  
**C** **through my groaning all day long.**
- P** For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
**C** **my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**
- P** I acknowledged my sin to you,  
**C** **and I did not cover my iniquity;**
- P** I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”  
**C** **and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P** Therefore let everyone who is godly  
**C** **offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;**
- P** surely in the rush of great waters,  
**C** **they shall not reach him.**
- P** You are a hiding place for me;  
**C** **you preserve me from trouble;**  
**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- P** I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;  
**C** **I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**
- P** Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,  
**C** **which must be curbed with bit and bridle,**  
**or it will not stay near you.**

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

**P** Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,  
**C** **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.**

**KYRIE:**

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**COLLECT**

**GOSPEL READING: *John 13:1-20***

Before the Passover festival, Jesus knew that the time had come for Him to leave this world and go back to the Father. Jesus loved His own who were in the world, and He loved them to the end.

While supper was taking place, the devil had already put the idea of betraying Jesus into the mind of Judas, son of Simon Iscariot.

The Father had put everything in Jesus' control. Jesus knew that. He also knew that He had come from God and was going back to God. So He got up from the table, removed His outer clothes, took a towel, and tied it around His waist. Then He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel that He had tied around His waist.

When Jesus came to Simon Peter, Peter asked Him, "Lord, are You going to wash my feet?"

Jesus answered Peter, "You don't know now what I'm doing. You will understand later."

Peter told Jesus, "You will never wash my feet."

Jesus replied to Peter, "If I don't wash you, you don't belong to Me."

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, don't wash only my feet. Wash my hands and my head too!"

Jesus told Peter, "People who have washed are completely clean. They need to have only their feet washed. All of you, except for one, are clean." (Jesus knew who was going to betray Him. That's why He said, "All of you, except for one, are clean.")

After Jesus had washed their feet and put on His outer clothes, He took His place at the table again. Then He asked His disciples, "Do you understand what I've done for you? You call Me teacher and Lord, and you're right because that's what I am. So if I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you must wash each other's feet. I've given you an example that you should follow. I can guarantee this truth: Slaves are not superior to their owners, and messengers are not superior to the people who send them. If you understand all of this, you are blessed whenever you follow my example.

"I'm not talking about all of you. I know the people I've chosen to be apostles. However, I've made my choice so that Scripture will come true. It says, 'The one who eats my bread has turned against me.' I'm telling you now before it happens. Then, when it happens, you will believe that I am the one.

"I can guarantee this truth: Whoever accepts Me accepts the one who sent Me."— GW®.

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**HYMN OF THE NIGHT: “Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”** LSB 708

**SERMON:** *“Humility & Blessing”*

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