FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Saturday, March 16, 2024 - 5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 17, 2024 - 8:00 a.m. Divine Service 3 LSB pg. 184

As We Gather

In today's Gospel, Jesus inverts the usual triangle of power into an upside-down pyramid of service. The greatest in God's kingdom, the position sought by His disciples in the Gospel, is now at the bottom, serving everyone above. Jesus is describing Himself! Like James and John, there are times when we would selfishly like Jesus to do whatever we ask of Him. As Lent draws to a close and we approach Holy Week, today's readings remind us that as Jesus was appointed to be the servant of all, giving His life as a ransom for many, so He has also appointed us to serve others with the forgiveness and love that He first showed us.

Red Connection Pads

Welcome! Please add your name to the connection pad at your seating location or record your attendance online at <u>clcs.org/attendance</u> or the QR code on the right.



A Note on Holy Communion Guests are encouraged to see details about Communion on p. 8.



A Note on Offerings As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our time, talents, and financial gifts. Donation boxes are located by each entry door or if you would like to contribute online, with either a onetime or ongoing gift, please use <u>clcs.org/give</u> or the QR code to the left.

Welcome



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(Please stand as the processional cross enters)



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P = Pastor; L = Worship Leader; C = Congregation

Call to Worship

The Invocation - Matthew 28:19

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession of Sin & Announcement of Forgiveness

The Absolution - John 20:21-23

- P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C: who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P: O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.



Prayer of the Day

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray. Almighty God, You sent Your Son not to be served, but to serve. We thank you for the amazing gift of His life given as a ransom for us. May His self-giving love and grace so transform our hearts and minds that we may faithfully follow Him in the same path of loving service to others; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Children's Message (Please be seated)

First Reading "A new covenant written on people's hearts" Jeremiah 31:31-34 ³¹ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading "Jesus - The source of eternal salvation" Hebrews 5:7-10

⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."



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Holy Gospel "The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve" Mark 10:32-45

³² And [Jesus and his disciples] were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³ saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴ And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹ And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Shared Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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.

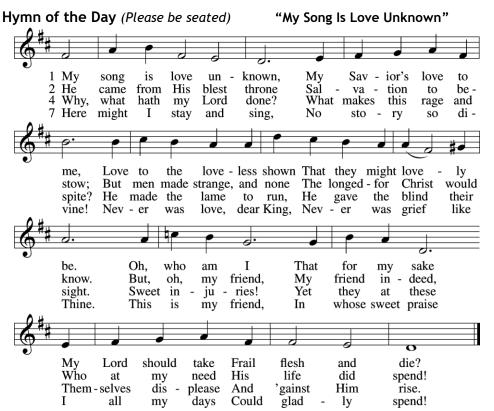
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

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.

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17



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Sermon

"Glory Addiction vs. Passion Prediction"
Sermon Series "Journeying with Jesus" (Week 5)

Mark 10:32-45

Offering Prayer

[Jesus said,] But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

~ Mark 10:43b-45

Prayers (Please stand)

- P: As God's beloved sons and daughters of God appointed not just to be served but to serve, let us pray for the Church, for the world, and for all people according to their needs.
- L: For the Church throughout the world, that during this Lenten season we intensify our repentance, fasting, prayer, and generosity. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For people of every nation, that all may be delivered from warfare, oppression, and violence, that all may live in the peace that God desires. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For those who serve in the armed forces of our nation, that they may defend the innocent, maintain justice, and establish peace. Comfort and guide the families of those who are deployed far away. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For those who are sick, facing surgery, or convalescing, [including . . .]. May others in need experience the love of God through our care and concern. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For all who travel, that their journeys may be safe. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For guests in worship today, that Christ bless their hearing of the Word with faith, understanding, and joy. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For the people of this congregation, that as Jesus served us by giving His life, may we also grow in serving both God and our neighbor. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For those who have gone before us in faith and have died, [especially . . .] we give thanks. When our days on earth come to a close, bring us to that place of never-ending praise, worship, and thanks to You in heavenly splendor. Let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Appointed by Jesus to serve in this broken world, we entrust our prayers to the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
- C: Amen.

⊕ Holy Communion ⊕

Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, welcomes us today to the table to receive of the blessings won for us upon the cross. As we draw near confessing our wayward ways and desiring to live a new life in Christ, we examine ourselves as the Bible encourages us to do in 1 Corinthians 11:28. We therefore pause to consider why Jesus gave us this sacred meal and what He now gives us in it, for this is a meal of...

- Forgiveness Am I sorry for my sin and desire God's forgiveness? (Matthew 26:28)
- Faith Do I believe that Jesus is my Savior and that he is truly present in this meal for my benefit? (1 Corinthians 11:26-28)
- 3. **Fellowship** Do I come to this table desiring reconciliation with others (Matthew 5:23-24), and am I in agreement with the beliefs of this faith community in which I now seek to receive communion? (1 Corinthians 10:16-21)

New to Calvary or have questions? Feel free to speak to a pastor before or after service. Those not receiving communion may remain seated or come forward for a blessing from the pastor. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate you are not receiving communion.

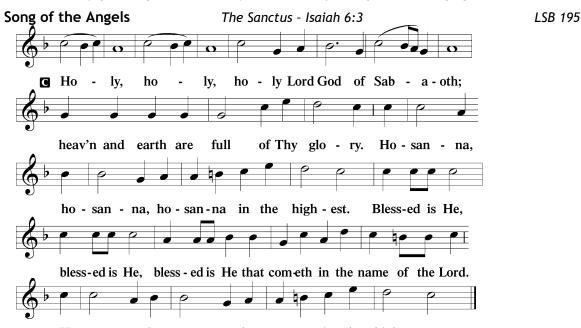
When invited forward, please line up in front of the communion rail.

Gluten-free wafers are available on stands at the end of the first row for those with a gluten allergy to pick up on their way to the communion rail.

Non-alcoholic (white) wine is available at the center of the communion tray.

After being dismissed with a blessing, please return to your seat using the center aisle.

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And with thy spirit.
- C: We lift them up unto the Lord. P: Lift up your hearts.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is meet and right so to do.
- P: It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:



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Lord's Prayer

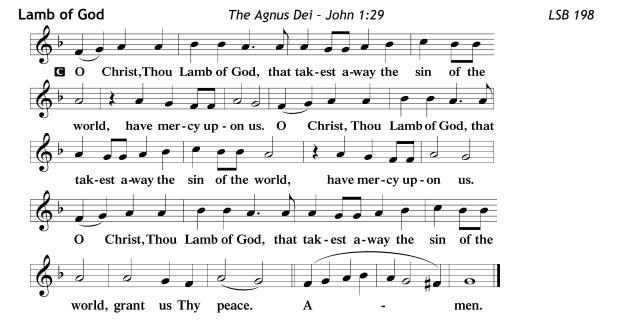
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Words of Our Lord The Words of Institution - Mt. 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20, 1 Cor 11:23-25

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



(Please be seated)

Special Music (8:00 a.m.) "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" Calvary Handbells (For meditation and reflection, the text may be followed in the hymnal - LSB 743.)



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For Prayer & Personal Reflection during Communion Distribution

"You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you."

Mark 10:42-43a

What comfort is Jesus offering to people who do not have worldly power?

"But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all." Mark 10:43b-44 What truly makes someone "great" in the kingdom of God? In your life, do you spend more time exercising authority or serving? What have these experiences taught you over the years?

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" Mark 10:45 What connections are there between "serving" and "giving your life"?



Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

- L: Let us pray.
 - ...who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

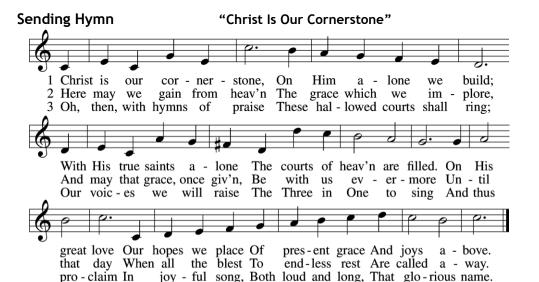
Blessing

The Benediction of Aaron - Numbers 6:24-26

- P: Bless we the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C: Amen.



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Announcements

Join us this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for our midweek Lenten worship.

This year's Lenten theme will be "Let My People Go! (The Book of Exodus)." This week's topic "Digging Ourselves Into a Hole" (Exodus 32:1-14).

⊕ LEADING OUR WORSHIP ⊕

Preacher: Pastor Kurt Ebert

Worship Leader: (5:30p) Steve Currier (8:00a) Bill Laut

Organist: (5:30p & 8:00a) Rhonda Hansen Musicians: (8:00a) Calvary Handbells

Join Us for Holy Week Worship

Palm Sunday: Sat., March 23rd 5:30 p.m. (onsite only)

Sun., March 24th 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. (onsite & online)

Maundy Thursday: Thurs., March 28th 3:45 p.m. (onsite only)

6:30 p.m. (onsite & online)

(Maundy Thurs Meal 4:45-6:15 p.m. in the gym)

Good Friday: Fri., March 29th

CLS Chapel 2:15 p.m. (all welcome)

Service of Darkness 6:30 p.m. (onsite & online)

Easter Vigil: Sat., Mar 30th 5:30 p.m. (onsite only)

Easter Sunday: Sun., March 31st 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. (onsite & online)

(Easter Breakfast 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the gym)