

BY HIS WOUNDS
WE ARE HEALED



THE WOUNDS OF FALSE TESTIMONY

Messiah Lutheran Church
Welcomes You to the Lord's House



The Sixth Wednesday in Lent

April 1, 2020 7:00pm

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR LENT-"BY HIS WOUNDS" SERIES

In this service we remember that the wounds of false testimony we committed against our Lord were laid on Christ on the cross. Our Lenten observance reminds us that though we have been brought low by sin, our Lord will bless us with new life in him through the cross.

THE GREETING

THE OPENING HYMN "The Lamb" LSB 547

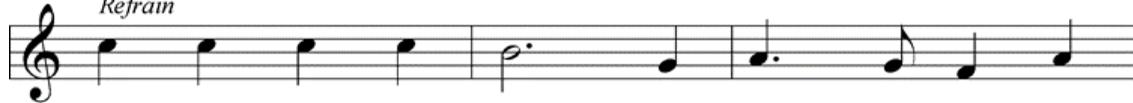


1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.
 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill
 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
 The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
 So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.
 He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.

Refrain



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His



own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!

THE INVOCATION AND LITANY

P We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

C Amen.

P They made Christ's grave with the wicked and His tomb with the rich,

C **Although He had done no violence, and there was no deceit in His mouth.**

P Christ poured out Himself to death, He was numbered with the transgressors.

C **He was wounded for our transgressions. Crushed for our iniquities.**

P Upon Him was the punishment that made us whole,

C **And by His wounds we are healed.**

THE CONFESSION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

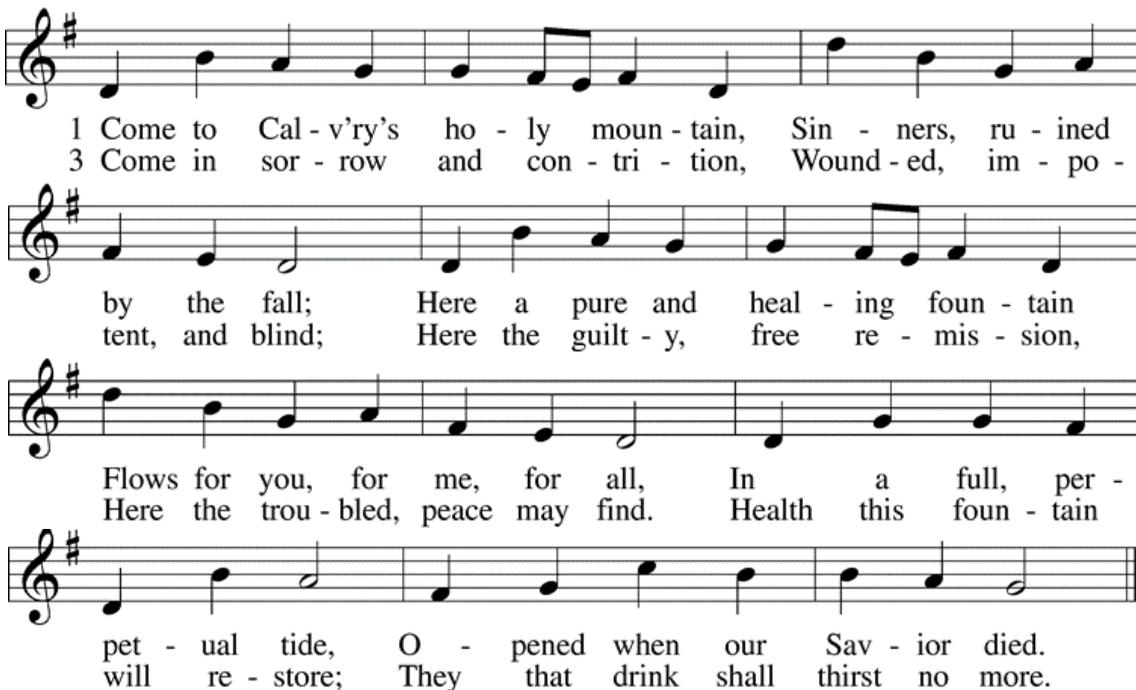
P Let us confess our sins and ask God's forgiveness for the sake of our Savior.

C **Most merciful God, we confess to You that we have broken Your commandments by our own thoughts, words, and deeds. We have only looked out for our own reputation and have not trusted You as our God. We confess that at times we allow fear, not faith, to overtake us. We have not loved you, O God, and our neighbor with our words and deeds. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, and give us the healing power of Your love that we may walk again in Your ways and live to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P God is gracious and merciful, and desires that we be made free of the burden of our sins. Through Jesus Christ, who bore the cross for our sake and for the sake of the whole world, there is healing, hope, and life. Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE *"Come to Calv'ry's Holy Mountain" LSB 435*



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -
by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain
tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,
Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -
Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain
pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.
will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.

THE FIRST LESSON 1 Timothy 6:12-16

Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to

keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 18:33-38

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the [Judeans]. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Pilate asked him, "What is truth?" As silence filled the room, Pilate went back out to where the Jewish leaders were waiting and said to them, "He's not guilty. I couldn't even find one fault with him.

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE HYMN "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" LSB 451

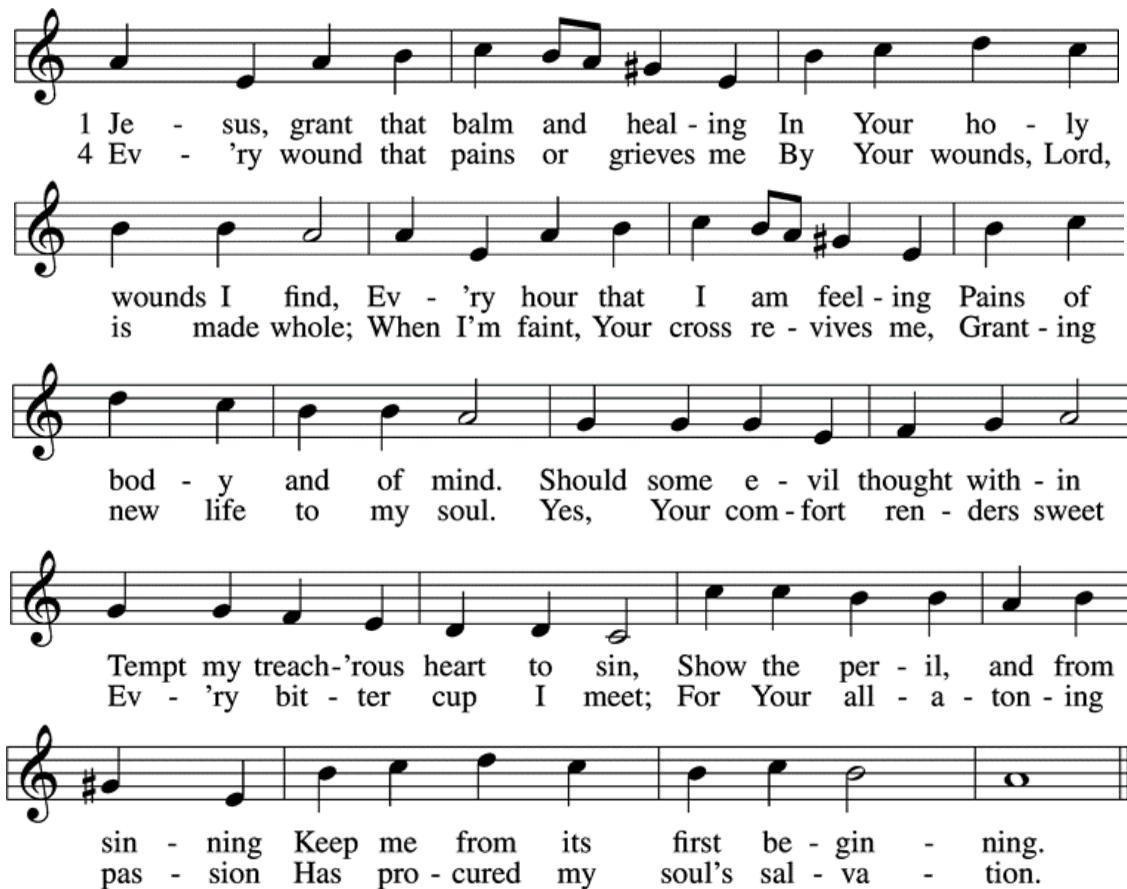
Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ, by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet, David's Son, yet David's Lord;
Proofs I see sufficient of it: 'Tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning, was there ever grief like His?
Friends through fear His cause disowning, foes insulting His distress;
Many hands were raised to wound Him, none would intervene to save;
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him was the stroke that justice gave.

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost:
Christ, the Rock of our salvation, is the name of which we boast;
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded who on Him their hope have built.

THE SERMON *"By His Wounds, We Are Healed: False Testimony"*

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE *"Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing"* LSB 421



1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing In Your ho - ly
4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord,
wounds I find, Ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing Pains of
is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing
bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in
new life to my soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet
Tempt my treach - 'rous heart to sin, Show the per - il, and from
Ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; For Your all - a - ton - ing
sin - ning Keep me from its first be - gin - ning.
pas - sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.

THE OFFERING PRAYER

THE ANTHEM *"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"*

How deep the Father's love for us. How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

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THE PRAYERS

- P** Let us pray for the Church, for all in need, and for the whole of God's creation. Throughout these forty days of Lent, You have given Your people hope that it is Jesus, our Lord, who leads the way and takes into His body on the cross the sins of the whole world. His wounds have paid our ransom, and through His death we are made whole.
- C** **Lord, in this time of anxiety, fear, and isolation, we come to You for support, encouragement, and direction. We lay our worried minds and troubled souls before You and in Your care.**
- P** We ask for Your Spirit to be close to those who are afflicted and those who have lost loved ones due to the coronavirus. We ask for that same Spirit to be with them and us in uncertain times.
- C** **God of compassion and grace, we cling to Your Word and Your presence in our homes, our church, and community. Just as Jesus visited towns and villages to cure the sick and infirm, we place our trust and hope in Your healing power.**
- P** For our leaders, O Lord, we ask that Your great wisdom may be instilled with them. As our national and local leaders seek protection and safety for the public, help guide their decisions and actions. We pray for the leaders of every nation, that they receive every human and divine resource to combat this great ill.
- C** **Great Physician, may Your hand be upon every doctor, nurse, and health care worker as they care for the sick. Lift up and care for these men and women risking and sometimes sacrificing their very lives for the public good. Guard and defend them against every harm.**
- P** Lord Christ, You are our rock and salvation in distress, worry, and doubt. Just as the light shines bright upon sunrise, we pray Your light of love and guidance shines bright in our hearts and minds. May we carry Your light into the world, which You love so deeply, so that we may be the bearers of Your grace.
- C** **Into Your healing, wounded hands for our sake, we commend all for whom we pray. By Your wounds, we are healed. May that fact instill in us a desire to fulfill the calling You have placed on each of us—to share Your light and love all people. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

G 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.

THE BENEDICTION

P May the healing presence of almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always.

G Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER *(Luther's Evening Prayer)*

I thank You, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray You to forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN "Entrust Your Days and Burdens" LSB 449

Entrust your days and burdens to God's most loving hand;
He cares for you while ruling the sky, the sea, the land.
For He who guides the tempests along their thund'rous ways
Will find for you a pathway and guide you all your days.

Leave all to His direction; His wisdom rules for you
In ways to rouse your wonder at all His love can do.
Soon He, His promise keeping, with wonder-working pow'rs
Will banish from your spirit what gave you troubled hours.

Take heart, have hope, my spirit, and do not be dismayed;
God helps in ev'ry trial and makes you unafraid.
Await His time with patience through darkest hours of night
Until the Sun you hoped for delights your eager sight.

THE POSTLUDE

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- † Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary: 8:30 & 11:00AM
(Holy Communion every 2nd and 4th Sunday)
- † Sunday School & Adult Bible Class: 9:45-10:40AM
- † Wednesday Worship in the Chapel 7:00PM
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With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will share God's light as we:

Gladly enter God's House weekly (Worship) —Psalm 122:1

Listen for God's voice. (Discipleship-Bible Study, Quiet Time, Prayer)— John 10:27

Open my heart and hands to serve God. (Ministry) —1 Samuel 12:24

Wholeheartedly love God and my neighbor. (Evangelism/Fellowship-Outreach) —Luke 10:27

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