

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship –9:30 am.

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Sunday School & Bible Class 10:45 am

Lenten Midweek 5

March 13, 2024

VESPERS (Page 229, spoken)

P: O Lord, open my lips,

C: and my mouth will declare Your praise.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

C: make haste to help me, O Lord.

C: **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.**

All: (Lent) Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.



SENTENCES FOR WORSHIP

P: This is the day that the Lord has made;

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: the name of the Lord is to be praised!

P: Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful,

C: slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

P: Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me,

C: let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me"

P: He was wounded for our transgressions;

C: he was crushed for our iniquities.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: the name of the Lord is to be praised!

ALL: 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.

OPENING HYMN No. 434 "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy"

Lamb of God, pure and holy Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

Lamb of God, pure and holy Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

**Lamb of God, pure and holy Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Thy peace be with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!**

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you!

C: And also with you!

P: Let us pray.

ALL: Gracious Jesus, the strength of all who trust in You, we thank You for Your love. As You sacrificed Your life for our sins, motivate us to give of our lives for You and others in grateful response. May Your sacrificial and perfect love on the cross convince us of Your forgiveness for our sins and the sins of all. "Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!" Amen.

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-13

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, "This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

"Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle: Romans 6:1-11

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: Luke 22:1-13

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people.

Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd.

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters and tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORY FOR LENT (spoken)

L: Rescue me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

C: **In You, O Lord, do I put my trust; Leave me not, O Lord, my God.**

All: **Rescue me, O Lord, My God, for You are the God of my salvation.**

SERMON HYMN NO. 438 "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth"

**A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth,
The guilt of sinners bearing
And, laden with the sins of earth,
None else the burden sharing;
Goes patient on, grows weak and faint,**

To slaughter led without complaint,
That spotless life to offer,
He bears the stripes, the wounds, the lies,
The mockery, and yet replies,
"All this I gladly suffer."

This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend,
The Lamb of God, our Savior,
Whom God the Father chose to send
To gain for us His favor.
"Go forth, My Son," the Father said,
"And free My children from their dread
Of guilt and condemnation.
The wrath and stripes are hard to bear,
But by Your passion they will share
The fruit of Your salvation."

"Yes, Father, yes, most willingly
I'll bear what You command Me.
My will conforms to Your decree,
I'll do what You have asked Me."
O wondrous Love, what have You done!
The Father offers up His Son,
Desiring our salvation.
O Love, how strong You are to save!
You lay the One into the grave
Who built the earth's foundation.

Lord, when Your glory I shall see
And taste Your kingdom's pleasure,
Your blood my royal robe shall be,
My joy beyond all measure!
When I appear before Your throne,
Your righteousness shall be my crown;
With these I need not hide me
And there, in garments richly wrought,
As Your own bride shall we be brought
To stand in joy beside You.

SERMON "The Story of Two Lambs," Luke 22:7 Rev. Perry Schefelker

OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You have loved us with an everlasting love that offers us eternal life. Burn Your love within our hearts, so that we may love others as You have loved us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN NO. 547 "The Lamb"

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes
God will provide the Lamb of price!
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb,
Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still, His will
On our behalf the Law to fill.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

He sighs, he dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives,
He gives me His own righteousness.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows.
His song prolong
Till ev'ry heart to Him belong.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

