SHADOWS OF THE CROSS 3rd SUNDAY LENT



"Melchizedek, King of Salem, . . . was a priest of God, Most High.

He blessed Abram and said, blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hands."

Genesis 14:18-20

ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, MONROE, MI

(Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod)

IN JESUS' NAME WE WELCOME YOU!

Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2021

WELCOME TO ZION. It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will strengthen your faith and fill your heart with the peace only God can give and the joy we have in believing that JESUS CHRIST is our Savior from sin.

Liturgy: Common Service CW pg. 15

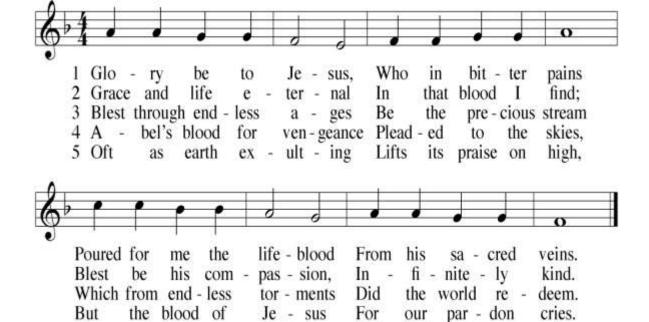
Opening Hymn: CW 103 (vs. 1-5) "Glory Be to Jesus"

LENT

103

Glory Be to Jesus

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6 Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood; Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood!

Make their glad

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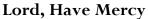
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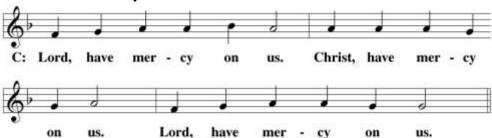
P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

- P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.





P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Glory Be To God



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Let us pray.

P: Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



PASSION HISTORY LESSON 3

Pastor: While Jesus was still speaking, suddenly Judas (one of the Twelve) arrived.

Congregation: With him was a large crowd with lanterns, torches, swords, and clubs, who came from the chief priests and elders of the people. Judas was leading them.

Men: Jesus, knowing everything that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, "Who are you looking for?"

C: "Jesus the Nazarene," they replied.

P: "I am he," Jesus told them.

Women: Judas, the betrayer, was standing with them. When Jesus told them, "I am he," they backed away and fell to the ground.

P: Then Jesus asked them again, "Who are you looking for?"

C: "Jesus the Nazarene," they said.

Men: "I told you that I am he," Jesus replied. "So if you are looking for me, let these men go."

Women: This was to fulfill the statement he had spoken: "I did not lose any of those you have given me."

- C: Now the betrayer had given them a sign: "The one I kiss is the man. Arrest him." Immediately he went to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.
- P: Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

Women: Then they advanced, took hold of Jesus, and arrested him. When those who were around him saw what was about to happen, they said to him, "Lord, should we strike with a sword?"

Men: Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.

P: But Jesus responded, "Stop! No more of this! Put your sword back into its place, because all who take the sword will die by the sword. Do you not realize that I could call on my Father, and at once he would provide me with more than twelve legions¹ of angels? But then how would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen this way?"

Women: Then he touched the servant's ear and healed him.

C: At that same time Jesus said to the crowd, "Have you come out to arrest me with swords and clubs as if I were a robber? Day after day I was sitting in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has happened so that the writings of the prophets would be fulfilled."

Women: Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.²

P: The company of soldiers, their commander, and the Jewish guards arrested Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas, because he was father-in-law to Caiaphas, who was the high priest that year. Now it was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews, "It is better that one man die for the people."

C: Simon Peter and another disciple kept following Jesus. That disciple was known to the high priest, so he went into the high priest's courtyard with Jesus.

Men: But Peter stood outside by the door. So the other disciple, the one known to the high priest, went out and talked to the girl watching the door and brought Peter in.

Women: The servants and guards were standing around a fire of coals that they had made because it was cold.

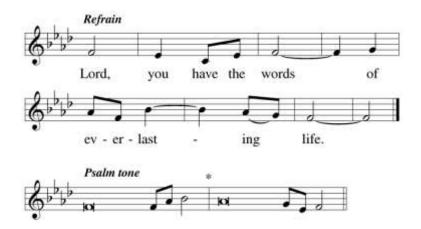
Men: While they warmed themselves, Peter was standing with them, warming himself too.³

¹ A Roman *legion* contained as many as six thousand soldiers.

² Matthew 26:47-56; Mark 14:43-52; Luke 22:47-54; John 18:1-14

³ John 18:12-18

Psalm 19 *CW pg. 70*



The heavens declare the glory of God;* the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Their voice goes out into <u>all</u> the earth,* their words to the ends <u>of</u> the world.

Refrain

The law of the LORD is <u>perfect</u>,* giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the LORD are <u>radiant</u>,* giving light <u>to</u> the eyes.

They are more precious than gold;* they are sweeter than honey.

By them is your <u>ser</u>vant taught;* in keeping them there is great reward.

Refrain

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart* be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Redeemer.

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. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

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PASSION HISTORY LESSON 3 (CONT.)

Pastor: One of the servant girls of the high priest came there. When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked directly at him and said, "You were also with Jesus the Galilean."

Congregation: But he denied it in front of everyone, saying, "I don't know what you are talking about. Woman, I do not know him."

Women: When Peter went out to the entryway, someone else saw him and said to those who were there, "This is one of them. This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth."

Men: Again Peter denied it with an oath and said, "I do not know the man."

C: After a little while those who stood by came and said to Peter, "Surely you are also one of them, because even your accent gives you away. You are a Galilean!"

Men: Then he began to curse and to swear, "I do not know this man you are talking about! I do not know the man!"

P: At that very moment, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the Lord's word, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today you will deny me three times." He went outside, broke down, and wept bitterly. 4

Women: The high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching.

C: Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I always taught in a synagogue or at the temple, where all the Jews gather. I said nothing in secret. Why are you questioning me? Ask those who heard what I told them. Look, they know what I said."

Men: When he said this, one of the guards standing there hit Jesus in the face. "Is that how you answer the high priest?" he demanded.

P: "If I said something wrong," Jesus answered, "testify about what was wrong. But if I was right, why did you hit me?"⁵

C: The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they could put him to death. They found none, even though many false witnesses came forward.

Men: Finally two came forward and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days."

⁴ Matthew 26:69-75; Mark 14:66-72; Luke 22:54-62; John 18:15-18, 25-27

⁵ John 18:19-23

Women: Yet even on this point, their testimony did not agree.

- C: The high priest stood up and said to him, "Have you no answer? What is this that these men are testifying against you?"
- P: But Jesus remained silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I place you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God!"

Men: Jesus said to him, "It is as you have said. But I tell you, soon you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of power and coming on the clouds of heaven."

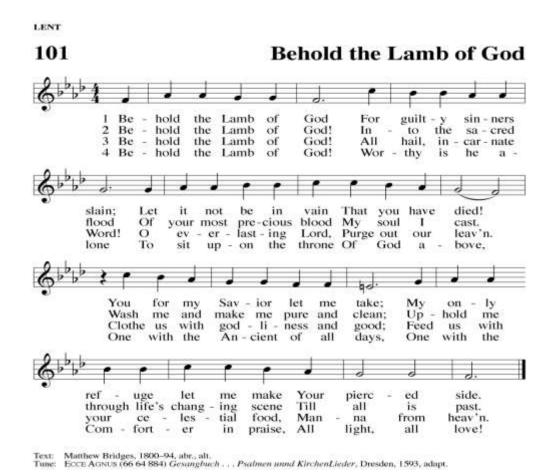
P: Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? See, you have just heard the blasphemy! What do you think?"

Women: They answered, "He is deserving of death!"

- C: Then some began to spit on him. They covered his face, struck him with their fists, and said, "Prophesy to us, Christ! Who hit you?"
- P: The guards also took him and beat him. And they went on saying many other blasphemous things against him.⁶

Hymn of the Day: CW 101

"Behold the Lamb of God"



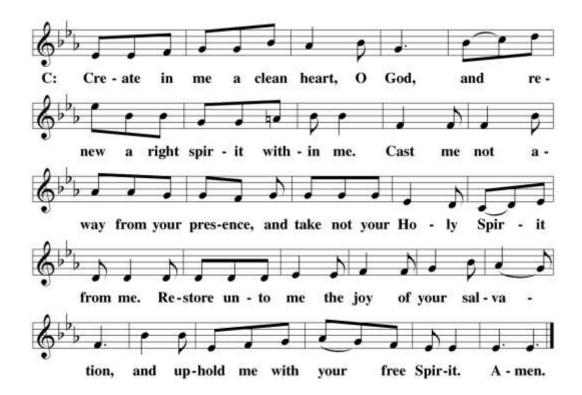
⁶ Matthew 26:59-68; Mark 14:53-65; Luke 22:65

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¹⁴ When Abram heard that his relative was taken captive, he led out all his trained men who were born in his house, three hundred eighteen of them, and pursued them as far as Dan. ¹⁵ During the night he divided his servants into groups to attack them. He struck them and pursued them to Hobah, north of Damascus. ¹⁶ He brought back all the possessions. He also brought back his relative Lot, and his possessions, and the women also, and the rest of the people. ¹⁷ After Abram's return from the defeat of Kedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). ¹⁸ Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was a priest of God Most High. ¹⁹ He blessed Abram and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth, ²⁰ and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand." Abram gave him a tenth of everything. (EHV)

MELCHIZEDEK, THE HIGH PRIEST WE NEEDED

CREATE IN ME



Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

C: 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 SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

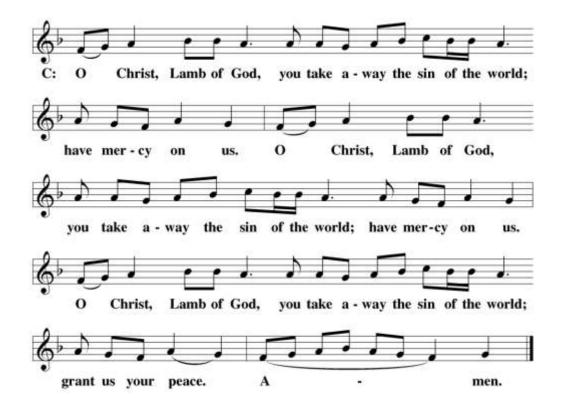
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *CW 100 CW 313*

"A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth"
"Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior"

100 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, St. Louis, 1941, alt.
Tune: An Wasserflüssen Babylon (87 87 887 887) Wolfgang Dachstein, c. 1487–1553.

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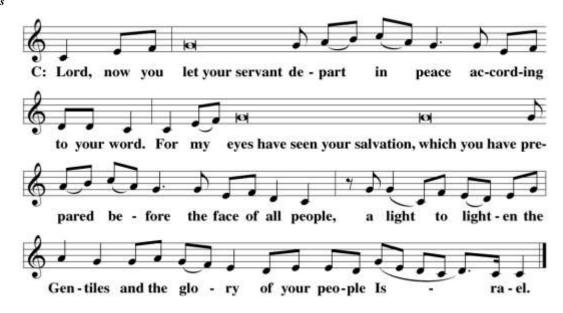
- 6 Then hold fast with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken By the souls who are distressed,
 - By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 7 Praise the Father, who from heaven Unto us such food has given And, to mend what we have done, Gave into death his only Son.
- 8 If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses, Surely you will be his guest And at his banquet ever blest.

Text: John Hus, 1369–1415; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.; tr. composite.
Tune: JESUS CHRISTUS, UNSER HEILAND, DER VON UNS (88 78) Klug, Geistliche Lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1535, alt.

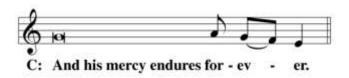
THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



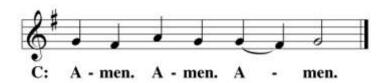
P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

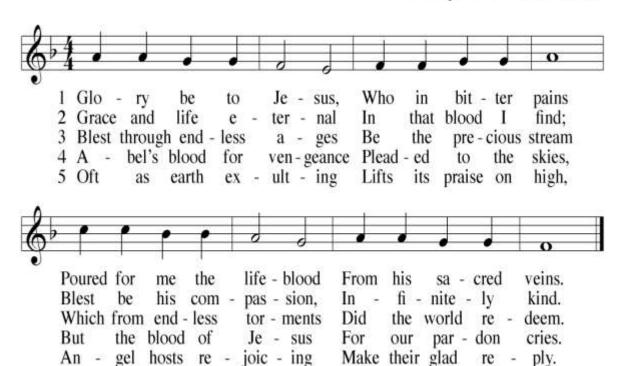


Closing Hymn: *CW 103 (v. 6)*

LENT

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SUNDAY LENTEN ROTATION: Pastor Fager and Pastor Ulrich will be in a rotation between St. Paul, Monroe and Zion, Monroe for the Sundays in Lent this year. The Lenten theme for Sundays is "SHADOWS OF THE CROSS."

WORSHIP FOR MARCH: Zion Elders and Council have decided at this time that with still being in Phase 4 of COVID-19 we are going to maintain the current worship schedule. So there will be no Sunday School, Adult Bible Class or Youth Group. Wednesday worship at 7:00 p.m., Sunday worship at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., and Tuesday, March 9th @ 1:30 p.m. We will review the schedule each month and let you know if/when it changes. Council reviewed it on Feb. 18 for March. The Worship schedule will be reviewed again on March 18 for April. Thank you for your patience.

CALL NEWS:

Tion has called Pastor Kurt Schaser of St. John's, Newburg, WI to be our associate pastor. Zion called last Sunday, Feb. 21. Please keep Pastor Schaser in your prayers. We are confident that God will lead him to know where he needs to serve.

Tion's 3-5th grade teacher, Kurt Nielsen has accepted a divine call to teach upper grades Mt. Olive L. C., Appleton, WI. Please keep Kurt and his family in your prayers. He will finish out the school year and likely be moving in June. SOLI DEO GLORIA.

ZION AUCTION: Zion's Christian Education Association (CEA) is planning on having their auction **OUTSIDE** on April 18th. There will be much more information and details in the coming weeks. This auction is to help raise money to support the many different school activities and projects throughout the year. The auction in the past has been every other year but due to Covid restrictions was cancelled last year. This year we plan on having a scaled down version so to meet all the Covid restrictions so mark your calendars to come and have a good time.

COMING UP AT ZION

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. 3rd Lent Worship Service

6-8:00 p.m. BIC #2

Monday 3:00 p.m. CEA Meeting

Tuesday 1:30 p.m. Worship Service with Communion

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. 4th Midweek Lent Worship Service (IC)

Friday 11:00 a.m. Zion Early Release

Next Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. 4th Lent Worship Service (IC)

6-8:00 p.m. BIC #3

MARCH VOLUNTEERS

	March 3 & 7	March 10 & 14	March 17 & 21	March 24 & 28
ALTAR GUILD				
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