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† LENTEN ORDER OF WORSHIP: †

Opening Prayer & Hymn:

Opening Liturgy:..... TLH p. 46

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

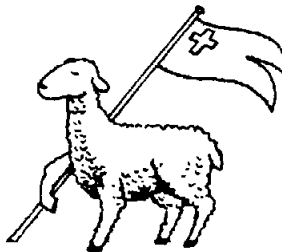
C: Amen.

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

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

P: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.

C: A broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.



Confession of Sins:..... Based Upon Psalm 51

P: Let each of us pour out our hearts before God and find comfort in His mercy ...

C: Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight.

P: In connection with our Savior Jesus Christ, the Lord has purged you and me with hyssop, and we are clean. He has washed you and me thoroughly from all our sins, and we are whiter than snow. May the joy and gladness of Christ's forgiveness here pronounced comfort and assure your hearts of His abiding love for you.

C: Amen.

Passion Reading:..... Based Upon a Harmony of the Gospels

Reading Response:..... TLH 146, st. 3

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!



Lenten Creed:..... Isaiah 53:4-7, 12b

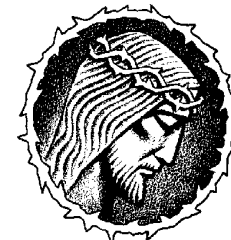
We believe that Jesus Christ has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth. And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors. Amen.

Hymn:

Sermon: "CHRIST IN THE CREATURES OF THE PASSION"
(Sermon texts are on the back of the bulletin)

Sermon Response:..... TLH 151, st. 6

Thou hast suffered great affliction And hast borne it patiently,
Even death by crucifixion, Fully to atone for me;
Thou didst choose to be tormented That my doom should be prevented.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

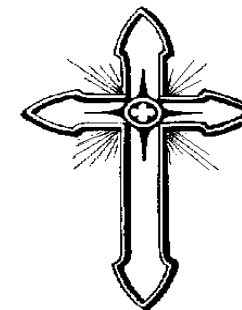


Hymn:

Offering:

Offering Response:..... TLH 151, st. 7

Then, for all that wrought my pardon, For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
For Thine anguish in the Garden, I will thank Thee evermore,
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing, For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
For that last triumphant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.



Unison Lenten Prayer & Lord's Prayer:

Lord Jesus, on the cross You cried out, "It is finished!" We thank You that You completed the work which Your Father gave You to do: You fulfilled the Law of God for us; You bore its curse in our stead; You reconciled all mankind to God. Grant that we may with our whole heart believe this and that we may never rely upon any work or merit of our own, but always trust in Your finished work on Calvary. In Your name, as You have taught us, we also pray: Our Father who art in heaven ...

Benediction:

Closing Hymn:..... TLH 552, st. 1, 6, 8

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| 1. Abide with me! Fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me! | 6. I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the Tempter's power?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me! |
| 8. Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes,
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me! | |



LENT 2009 - CHRIST IN THE CREATURES OF THE PASSION

1. *Merciful Hen* **Matthew 23:37**

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

HYMNS: 145; 172, st. 1-5; 419

PREACHER: Pastor John Hein (2/25/2009)

2. *Judah's Lion* **Genesis 49:9-11**

Judah is a lion's whelp; From the prey, my son, you have gone up. He bows down, he lies down as a lion; And as a lion, who shall rouse him? The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes; And to Him shall be the obedience of the people. Binding his donkey to the vine, And his donkey's colt to the choice vine, He washed his garments in wine, And his clothes in the blood of grapes.

HYMNS: 166; 174; 175

PREACHER: Pastor Rick Grams (3/4/2009)

3. *Therapeutic Snake* **John 3:14-16**

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

HYMNS: 144; 155; 245

PREACHER: Pastor John Hein (3/11/2009)

4. *Despised Worm* **Psalms 22:6-8**

But I am a worm, and no man; A reproach of men, and despised by the people. All those who see Me ridicule Me; They shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying, "He trusted in the LORD, let Him rescue Him; Let Him deliver Him, since He delights in Him!"

HYMNS: 153; 143, st. 1-4; 151, st. 1-4

PREACHER: Pastor John Hein (3/18/2009)

5. *Substitute Scapegoat* **Leviticus 16:20-22**

And when he [Aaron] has made an end of atoning for the Holy Place, the tabernacle of meeting, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat. Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins, putting them on the head of the goat, and shall send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a suitable man. The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities to an uninhabited land; and he shall release the goat in the wilderness.

HYMNS: 140; 156; 154

PREACHER: Pastor David Schierenbeck (3/25/2009)

6. *Provisional Ram* **Genesis 22:13-14**

Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son. And Abraham called the name of the place, The-LORD-Will-Provide; as it is said to this day, "In the Mount of The LORD it shall be provided."

HYMNS: 149; 159; 394

PREACHER: Rev. Paul Voss (4/1/2009)

7. *Passover Lamb* **Mark 14:12a, 22-24**

Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they killed the Passover lamb, ... as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. And He said to them, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many."

HYMNS: 170; 164; 163 165; 142, st. 1-4; 171

GOOD FRIDAY (4/10/2009)

Easter Day: Victorious Lamb!

Christ in the Creatures



of the Passion