

## Lent 4

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6:00 & 8:15

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ourselves to grow in faith and  
love, to serve together, and to  
reach out with the Gospel of  
Jesus Christ.



## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

## WELCOME &amp; GREETING

## OPENING HYMN~ 'Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me'

LSB 761

- 1     Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
      Let me hide myself in Thee;  
      Let the water and the blood,  
      From Thy riven side which flowed,  
      Be of sin the double cure:  
      Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
  
- 2     Not the labors of my hands  
      Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;  
      Could my zeal no respite know,  
      Could my tears forever flow,  
      All for sin could not atone;  
      Thou must save, and Thou alone.
  
- 3     Nothing in my hand I bring;  
      Simply to Thy cross I cling.  
      Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
      Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
      Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
      Wash me, Savior, or I die.
  
- 4     While I draw this fleeting breath,  
      When mine eyelids close in death,  
      When I soar to worlds unknown,  
      See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
      Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
      Let me hide myself in Thee.

*(Rise)*

#### INVOCATION

P: O Lord, throughout these forty days

**C: You prayed and kept the fast;**

P: Inspire repentance for our sin,

**C: And free us from our past.**

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

**C: Amen.**

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

#### KYRIE

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God, You know that of ourselves we have no strength to see You and believe. By the mighty power of Him who comes to us in the name of the Lord, draw us to saving faith in our Savior, defending us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

FIRST READING~ Isaiah 12:1-6

<sup>1</sup>In that day you will say: "I will praise you, O LORD. Although you were angry with me, your anger has turned away and you have comforted me.

<sup>2</sup>Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD, is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation."

<sup>3</sup>With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

<sup>4</sup>In that day you will say: "Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted.

<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world.

<sup>6</sup>Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:Sing Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING~ 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

<sup>12</sup>"Everything is permissible for me"--but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible for me"--but I will not be mastered by anything.

<sup>13</sup>"Food for the stomach and the stomach for food"--but God will destroy them both. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh." <sup>17</sup>But he who unites himself with the Lord is one with him in spirit.

<sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup>Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; <sup>20</sup>you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:Sing Thanks be to God.**

6:00~ Choir~ 'Man of Sorrows'- Lloyd Larson

8:15~ Hymn~ 'Word of God Come Down on Earth' (vs. 1, 2, 4) LSB 545

1 Word of God, come down on earth,  
Living rain from heav'n descending;  
Touch our hearts and bring to birth  
Faith and hope and love unending.  
Word almighty, we revere You;  
Word made flesh, we long to hear You.

2 Word eternal, throned on high,  
Word that brought to life creation,  
Word that came from heav'n to die,  
Crucified for our salvation,  
Saving Word, the world restoring,  
Speak to us, Your love outpouring.

4 Word that speaks God's tender love,  
One with God beyond all telling,  
Word that sends us from above,  
God the Spirit, with us dwelling,  
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;  
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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(Rise)

P: This is the Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 26<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**All: sing      Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING~ Matthew 26:3-16

<sup>3</sup>Then the chief priests and the elders of the people assembled in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, <sup>4</sup>and they plotted to arrest Jesus in some sly way and kill him. <sup>5</sup>"But not during the Feast," they said, "or there may be a riot among the people."

<sup>6</sup>While Jesus was in Bethany in the home of a man known as Simon the Leper, <sup>7</sup>a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, which she poured on his head as he was reclining at the table.

<sup>8</sup>When the disciples saw this, they were indignant. "Why this waste?" they asked. <sup>9</sup>"This perfume could have been sold at a high price and the money given to the poor."

<sup>10</sup>Aware of this, Jesus said to them, "Why are you bothering this woman? She has done a beautiful thing to me. <sup>11</sup>The poor you will always have with you, but you will not always have me. <sup>12</sup>When she poured this perfume on my body, she did it to prepare me for burial. <sup>13</sup>I tell you the truth, wherever this gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."

<sup>14</sup>Then one of the Twelve--the one called Judas Iscariot--went to the chief priests <sup>15</sup>and asked, "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?" So they counted out for him thirty silver coins. <sup>16</sup>From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

**All: Sing      Praise to You, O Christ.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH~ The Nicene Creed

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*(Be seated)*

## CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON HYMN~ 'Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us'

LSB 851

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice;  
And with that have freely given  
Blessings countless as the sand  
To the\_unthankful and the evil  
With Your own unsparing hand.
  
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You  
Gladly, freely of Your own.  
With the sunshine of Your goodness

Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by You, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed  
'Tis to give than to receive.

3 Wondrous honor You have given  
To our humblest charity  
In Your own mysterious sentence,  
"You have done it all to Me."  
Can it be, O gracious Master,  
That You deign for alms to sue,  
Saying by Your poor and needy,  
"Give as I have giv'n to you"?

4 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice.  
Give us faith to trust You boldly,  
Hope, to stay our souls on You;  
But, oh, best of all Your graces,  
With Your love our love renew.

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SERMON~ The Cost of the Cross

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

*(Rise and sing)*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

**C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence,**



**and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.** (*after final petition: Amen.*)

#### LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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.**

#### CLOSING HYMN~ 'Children of the Heavenly Father'

LSB 725

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in His bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish;  
In His holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things He spares them;  
In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord His children sever;  
Unto them His grace He showeth,  
And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh,  
God His children ne'er forsaketh;

His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.

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(Rise)

#### BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

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**C: You prayed and kept the fast;**

P: Inspire repentance for our sin,

**C: And free us from our past.**

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

**C: Amen.**

P: The Lord Bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

**All: *sing* Amen, Amen, Amen.**

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

#### POST-SERVICE MUSIC