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# SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

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March 16-17, 2019

## AS WE GATHER

During Jesus' earthly ministry, countless people saw Him. But not everyone came to see Him by faith for who He truly is: the blessed One who comes and saves them in the name of the Lord. People today often "see" Jesus from a safe distance, but they refuse to see Him for the Savior He truly is, and they reject the work He has done to make the world right with God. Today we seek to be different than the majority around us. We long to see Jesus up close and personal, receiving Him in faith, acknowledging with heart and voice the redeeming work of His death and resurrection. Seeing Him now through His Word and Supper, and believing in Him by grace, we look forward to the day when we shall see Him face-to-face in the glories of heaven, singing forever with all of God's gathered children: "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

## HYMN

*Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

*LSB 673*

*Stand*

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly

**deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### INTROIT

*Ps. 74:1–3; antiphon: Ps. 69:9*

- P** For zeal for your house has consumed me,  
and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.
- C** **O God, why do you cast us off forever?  
Why does your anger smoke against the  
sheep of your pasture?**
- P** Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,  
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!  
Remember Mount Zion, where you have dwelt.
- C** **Direct your steps to the perpetual ruins;  
the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctuary!**
- 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.**
- P** For zeal for your house has consumed me,  
and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

### KYRIE

*LSB 152*

- P** *In peace let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** *For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** Amen.

### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend 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.

*Sit*

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Jeremiah 26:8-15*

<sup>8</sup>And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! <sup>9</sup>Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, "This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

<sup>10</sup>When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. <sup>11</sup>Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

<sup>12</sup>Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this

house and this city all the words you have heard. <sup>13</sup>Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. <sup>14</sup>But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. <sup>15</sup>Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### GRADUAL

*Heb. 12:2*

**P** [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

**C** **the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

**P** who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

**C** **and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

### EPISTLE

*Philippians 3:17—4:1*

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us.

<sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ.

<sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 13:31–35*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.”  
<sup>32</sup>And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. <sup>33</sup>Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ <sup>34</sup>O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! <sup>35</sup>Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Sit*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN**

*Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart*

*LSB 708*

**SERMON**

*"Citizens of Heaven"*

*Philippians 3:18-20*

*Stand*

[Saturday] **APOSTLES' CREED**

**C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge  
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

[Sunday] **NICENE CREED**

**☩ 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.**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Father in heaven, we thank You for the mercy You show us in the cross of Him who comes in Your name to save us: Jesus Christ, our Lord. Grant that our journey through this season of Lent refresh our souls and draw us close to You as You gather us together in Your eternal presence. And so we say:
- C Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**
- P** Merciful Savior, You offer Your life as a sacrifice to take the sins of the world away. Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus. You came from heaven to earth for us all. Send us forth from our place of worship that we take Your name into the world You died to save. And so we say:
- C Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**
- P** O Holy Spirit, You fill all Your baptized people with the sure and certain hope of eternal life, confirming in us that our citizenship is in heaven, and we await a Savior from there. He came once to die and to rise again. Now He reigns at the Father's right hand. Soon He will come again, and we will all be gathered before Him. Keep Your Church faithful to Your Word that we may be defended from all attacks of the evil one and strengthened in our journey of faith toward You and love toward one another. And so we say:
- C Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**
- P** Great Physician, work mightily for the mending of the broken, the renewal of the sorrowful, and the healing of the sick that we now name before You. And so we say:
- C Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**P** Author and giver of life, we thank and praise You for giving us the gifts to sustain and defend Your creation. Open our eyes to see Your hand at work through the vocations into which You have placed us. Especially bless all those whose work is difficult and dangerous, all those in positions of leadership and authority over us, and all those who feel weary in their daily labors. Grant that all Your children come to You in faith and be renewed for the important tasks by which they give You honor and praise. And so we say:

**C** **Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**P** Triune God, You work together for the building up of Your people and for the eternal glory of Your name. Hear these prayers of our lips, along with the unspoken prayers of our hearts, that we place our confidence in Your eternal care and Your promise to always answer prayer. And so we say:

**C** **Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We pray in the name of Him who gathers us together and saves us by His grace—Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*Sit*

#### **OFFERING**

*While we worship the Lord with our offerings, please write your names in the fellowship registers, indicating the date and time of the service you are attending. To help us serve you more effectively, please use the blanks provided to indicate a change in mailing address, phone numbers (home, work, cell, fax) or e-mail address(es). Please tear out the sheets with names on them and let them stick out of the top of the folder so that the ushers can collect them. Thank you!*

*Stand*

#### **OFFERTORY**

*LSB 159*

**C** ***What shall I render to the Lord  
for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation  
and will call on the name of the Lord.***

***I will pay my vows to the Lord now  
in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.***

*Saturday's service continues with the Lord's Prayer*

## Service of the Sacrament

### PREFACE

*LSB 160*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### SANCTUS

*LSB 161*

**C** *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:*

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna. Hosanna.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*LSB 161*

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

*LSB 162*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

*Saturday's service continues with the Benediction*

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*LSB 162*

**PAX DOMINI**

*LSB 163*

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

**C** Amen.

- C** *Lamb of God, You take away the sin  
of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin  
of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin  
of the world; grant us peace.*

*Sit*

**DISTRIBUTION**

*The Day Is Surely Drawing Near  
What Is the World to Me*

*LSB 508  
LSB 730*

*Stand*

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:** *Nunc Dimittis* 

*LSB 165*

- C** *Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;  
Your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which  
You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:  
A light to reveal You to the nations  
and the glory of Your people Israel.  
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.*

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

- A** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

LSB 166

- 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.

**C** Amen.

**HYMN***I'm But a Stranger Here*

LSB 748

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