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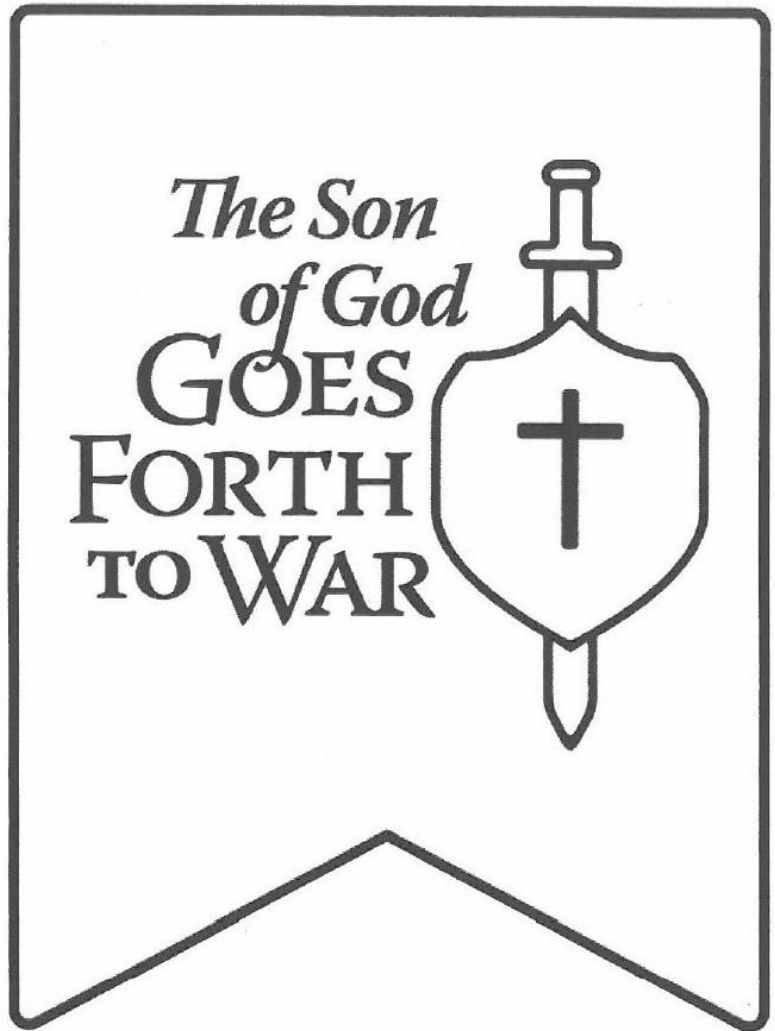
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Third Midweek Lenten Service

March 11, 2020

6:30pm

 Evangelical
Lutheran
Synod



***Our Lenten Theme:** The overall theme for our Lenten season is "The Son of God Goes Forth to War." Scripture is full of imagery and descriptions of our Savior Jesus as the warrior who fights and defeats sin, death, and Satan. Each service throughout the Lenten season focuses on an aspect of our Savior-warrior as He is promised to us, fights our enemies for us, and triumphs over them for us.*

~Hymn 253, vv. 1, 3, 5, 6 *Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray*

~**Confession of Sin**— *Admitting our sinfulness to God*

(ELH p. 120)

P: Dearly beloved! We have come together in the presence of God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at His hand, to set forth His most worthy praise, to hear His holy Word, and to ask for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and salvation. O come, let us worship Him! Let us kneel and bow down before Him. Let us confess our sins with penitent hearts, and obtain forgiveness by His infinite grace and mercy.

C: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the devices and desires of our hearts. We have offended against Your holy law. We have done those things which we should not have done, and we have not done those things which we should have done. Have mercy on us, O Lord! Spare us and restore us, according to the promises You have declared to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. For His sake grant that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord has granted us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins, grace for true repentance and amendment of life, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Versicles** — *Opening prayers*

(ELH pp. 120-121)

P: O Lord, open my lips.

C: ♪ And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.

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

C: ♪ Make haste to help me, O Lord. 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: forevermore. Amen.

~**Psalmody Psalm 116**

(ELH p. 121)

P: I love the Lord, for He heard my voice; He heard my cry for mercy.

C: Because He turned His ear to me, I will call on Him as long as I live.

P: The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came over me; I was overcome by distress and sorrow.

C: Then I called on the name of the Lord: "Lord, save me!"

P: The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

C: The Lord protects the unwary; when I was brought low, He saved me.

P: Return to your rest, my soul, for the Lord has been good to you.

**C: For you, Lord, have delivered me from death, my eyes from tears,
my feet from stumbling,**

P: that I may walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

C: I trusted in the Lord when I said, "I am greatly afflicted";

P: in my alarm I said, "Everyone is a liar."

C: What shall I return to the Lord for all His goodness to me?

P: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

C: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.

P: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His faithful servants.

**C: Truly I am your servant, Lord; I serve you just as my mother did; you have
freed me from my chains.**

P: I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the Lord.

C: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people,

P: in the courts of the house of the Lord— in your midst, Jerusalem.

**ALL: 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, forever more. Amen.**

~Men's Choir: "To Thee My Heart I Offer" -- Ralph C. Schultz

To Thee my heart I offer, Oh Savior, Lord most dear.

Who pain for me did suffer, Oh, be Thou ever near.

Take Thou my hand and give me Thine, And let it be forever mine.

Jesus foretold in Sacred Word, The Savior now adored!

Why chose Thee, God, most Holy, My Savior, Lord most dear.

A cross so rude and lowly? Oh, be Thou ever near.

Oh Lord, how great is this Thy love That reaches down from heav'n above,

Thy love before all time began. That made Thee, God, a man!

Let me deny Thee never, My Savior, dearest Friend.

Close to Thee hold me ever, Be with me to the end.

Thou gave Thy life that I might live, And now my life to Thee I give.

My heart, my soul, and all I own, Let these be Thine alone.

~The Passion History #2

~Responsory

(ELH p. 122)

P: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: ♪ Thanks be to You, O Lord!

~Hymn 264 *Jesus, Priceless Treasure*

~Sermon Text

John 18:37-38 "You are a king then?" Pilate asked. Jesus answered, "I am, as you say, a king. For this reason I was born, and for this reason I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." "What is truth?" Pilate said to him. After he said this, he went out again to the Jews and told them, "I find no basis for a charge against him."

~Sermon Theme

"The Warrior Faces Satan's Ally - the World"

~Hymn 534 vv. 7, 8, 9, 14 *Jerusalem the Golden*

~Offering

"Christians give their offerings as a joyful response to what God has given them. The offerings given here support the continued Gospel ministry of Mt. Olive Lutheran Church and School, and to support the work of sharing the Gospel throughout our community and around the world."

~Versicle

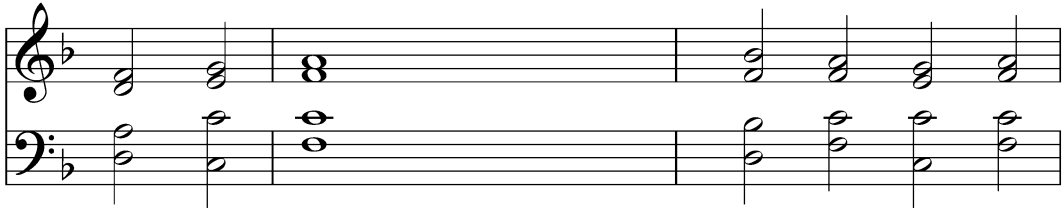
(ELH p. 122)

P: Let my prayers rise before You as incense:

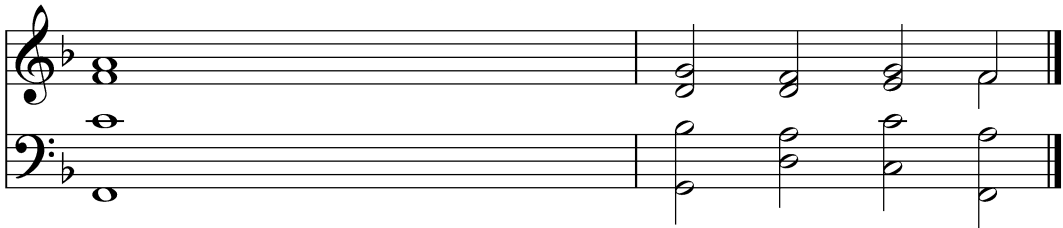
C: ♪ **And the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

~Nunc Dimittis — “Now I Depart”

(ELH p. 124; Lk. 2:29-32)



1. Lord, now You let Your servant de- part in peace:
2. For my eyes have seen Your Sal- va- tion:
- >3. A Light to light- en the Gen- tiles:
4. Glo- ry be to the Father and to the Son
5. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev- er shall be:



1. accord- ing to Your Word;
2. which You have prepared before the face of all peo- ple;
- >3. and the glory of Your peo- ple Isra- el.
4. and to the Ho- ly Ghost.
5. forev- er- more. A- men.

~Kyrie — “Lord, Have Mercy”

(ELH p. 124)

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

~Lord’s Prayer

(ELH p. 125)

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 pow’r and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

~**Collect** — *Evening prayer*

(ELH p. 126-127, II)

P: Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us in the end of the day, in the end of our life, and in the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair when death shall come. Abide with us and with all the faithful through time and eternity.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

~**Benedicamus** — *Call for blessing*

(ELH p. 127; Ps 103:2)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

~**Benediction** — *Final blessing for God's people*

(ELH p. 127)

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

C: ♪ **Amen.**

~**Hymn 565** *All Praise to Thee, My God This Night*

Preacher: Pastor John Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich

Organist: John Baumann

Men's Choir

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES
2020
“The Son of God GOES FORTH TO WAR”

March 11: Midweek Lent 3 —

Pr. John Petersen

“The Warrior Faces Satan’s Ally – the World”

John 18:37-38

March 18: Midweek Lent 4 —

Pr. Matthew Moldstad (Peace)

“Reconnaissance Report: Know Your Enemy”

Ephesians 6:12

March 25: Midweek Lent 5 —

Pr. Keith Siverly (St. Mark’s)

“The Warrior Rejected by Many Followers” John

6:66-68

April 1: Midweek Lent 6 —

Pr. Dave Linn (St. Paul’s)

“Hidden Warrior” John 11:33-37

April 9: Maundy Thursday —

Tenebrae with Holy Communion at Mt Olive 6:30pm

April 10: Good Friday —

Tre Ore Service at St. Paul’s Lutheran, North Mankato 12pm – 3pm

Good Friday with Holy Communion at Mt Olive 6:30pm

April 12: Easter —

Easter Sunrise Service at Mt Olive 7:30am

Easter Breakfast 8:30-9:30am

Easter Festival with Holy Communion 10am

