

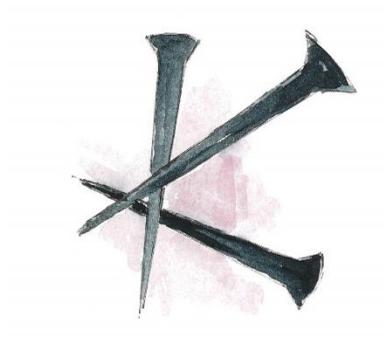
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**WORSHIP SERVICE  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022  
6:00 PM**

## **Lenten Worship**



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith. As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself.

*Before the service, speak to God.  
During the service, let God speak to you  
After the service, speak to your neighbor.*

*Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. Romans 12:1*

**Lent is a season when we take a look at our lives in view of God's mercy toward us in the sacrifice of his Son for us on the cross. We, in turn, are called by God, especially during this time of repentance and reflection, to be living sacrifices for him, displaying our devotion to him in word and deed.**

**Mercy in Service • Hebrews : • In response to God's kindness to us in Jesus, we serve in mercy the needs of those around us by Christ's example.**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

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

**C Amen.**

P Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

**C We serve in the Spirit of Christ.**

P Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

**C We serve in the Spirit of Christ.**

P Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant.

**C We serve in the Spirit of Christ.**

P Whoever would be great among you must be your servant.

**C We serve in the Spirit of Christ.**

P Whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.

**C We serve in the Spirit of Christ.**

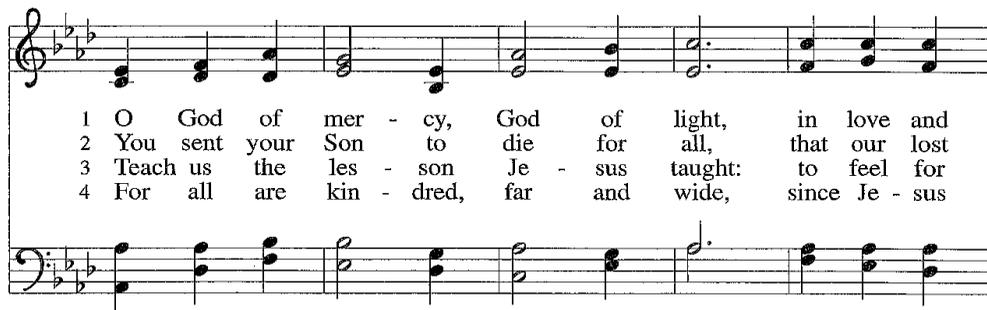
P For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

**C Amen.**

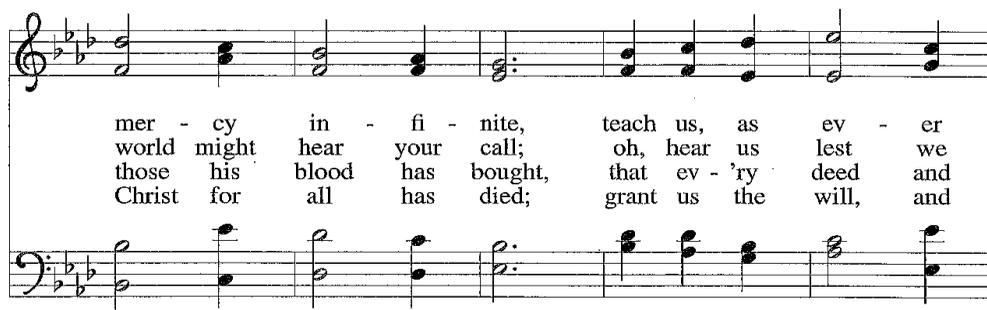
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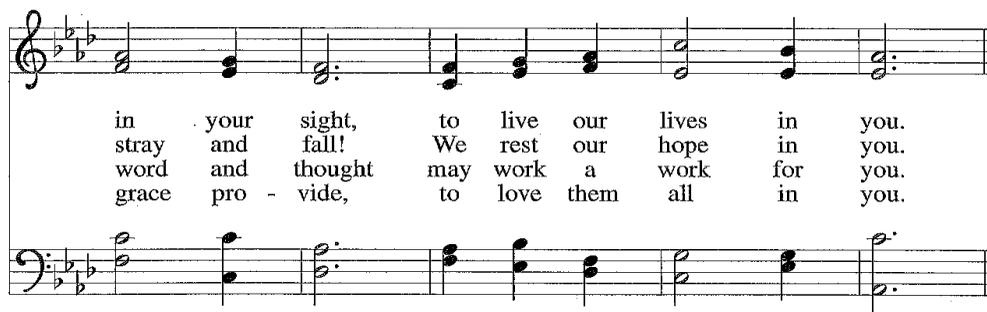
## O God of Mercy, God of Light



1 O God of mer - cy, God of light, in love and  
 2 You sent your Son to die for all, that our lost  
 3 Teach us the les - son Je - sus taught: to feel for  
 4 For all are kin - dred, far and wide, since Je - sus



mer - cy in - fi - nite, teach us, as ev - er  
 world might hear your call; oh, hear us lest we  
 those his blood has bought, that ev - 'ry deed and  
 Christ for all has died; grant us the will, and



in your sight, to live our lives in you.  
 stray and fall! We rest our hope in you.  
 word and thought may work a work for you.  
 grace pro - vide, to love them all in you.

5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,  
 may we each other's burdens share;  
 may we, where help is needed, there  
 give help as though to you.

6 And may your Holy Spirit move  
 all those who live to live in love,  
 till you receive in heav'n above  
 all those who live in you.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P The scriptures sum up God's law, his demands upon us, in these two commands: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength," and "Love your neighbor as yourself". But these commands we fail to keep. Our love for God is far from full, and our love for others is incomplete. We seek to serve ourselves rather than to serve God and others. Thus we acknowledge our sin and seek God's mercy.

**C God of love, you love us with a perfect love. But you also demand that we love you and others perfectly. This we have failed to do. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. You would be perfectly just to punish us now and forevermore. For the sake of your Son, the Suffering Servant Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us our self-centered and self-serving ways. Lead us to serve you and those you have placed into our lives.**

P We cry to you for mercy.

**C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

*(Please silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, God's mercy is greater.)*

P Hear the good news! God's Word declares that "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). In the mercy of Almighty God, his Son Jesus was given to die for you. For Christ's sake God forgives you all your sins and gives you his righteousness, making you holy in his sight. His mercy endures forever because his love for you is steadfast.

**C Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

**C Gracious Lord, as we continue our Lenten pilgrimage, we do so in view of your mercy. We thank you for sending Jesus to be the Suffering Servant who gave his life so that we might live eternally. In view of your mercy, remake us into willing servants who live to serve you and others. Sanctify us by your Spirit to humbly serve the needs of those around us as we follow the example of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray these things in his holy name. Amen.**

**SOLO**

“If I have wounded any soul today”

**KayLee Grunst**

## First Lesson: Micah 6: 7-8

<sup>7</sup> Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

<sup>8</sup> He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the LORD require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

R Lord have mercy on us,

**C That we might love you with our whole heart.**

## Second Lesson: Hebrews 6: 9-12

<sup>9</sup> Even though we speak in this way, beloved, we are confident of better things in your case, things that belong to salvation. <sup>10</sup> For God is not unjust; he will not overlook your work and the love that you showed for his sake<sup>[a]</sup> in serving the saints, as you still do. <sup>11</sup> And we want each one of you to show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope to the very end, <sup>12</sup> so that you may not become sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

R Lord have mercy on us,

**C That we might love you with our whole heart.**

## GOSPEL: John 13:12-17

<sup>12</sup> After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup> You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. <sup>15</sup> For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup> Very truly, I tell you, servants<sup>[a]</sup> are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup> If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

P This is the Word of Truth.

**C Lord help us to understand.**

Teaching:                    *“Mercy in Service”*

Shirley Ehler

# WORSHIP HYMN "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" Insert

END TIME

## 949 Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your  
2 Dark-er mid - night lies be - fore us, dark - er  
3 Lo, the morn - ing soon is break - ing, lo, the  
4 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your

lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your lamps  
mid - night lies be - fore us, dark - er mid - night  
morn - ing soon is break - ing, lo, the morn - ing  
lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your lamps

trimmed and burn - ing, for this work's al - most done.  
lies be - fore us, for this work's al - most done.  
soon is break - ing, for this work's al - most done.  
trimmed and burn - ing, for this work's al - most done.

*Refrain*  
Chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry; chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry;  
chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry, for this work's al - most done.

### THE OFFERING

### OFFERING PRAYER

**C** Through these gifts, we offer ourselves, our time and our possessions that we might keep our eyes and ears fixed on you, Heavenly Father. Use these gifts to your glory. In Jesus name, Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

P Almighty and merciful God, we approach your throne of grace today as your servants.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P You call us to serve you by serving others, so guide us to recognize those who you send to us to serve.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P You call us to serve one another as you have served us, so empower us to follow the example of Jesus who washed feet.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Give us insight to perceive the needs of others and to respond by serving the cares of body and soul.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Give us humility to count others more important than ourselves and to attend to their interests above our own.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Give us compassion to see others in distress and then to aid and assist.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P In view of your mercy, move us by your Spirit to give mercy to others and so extend your mercy in the world.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

**C Lord, grant me your grace both to will and to do what pleases you.**

**P** All these things we pray in the name of Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for us all.

**C** Amen.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

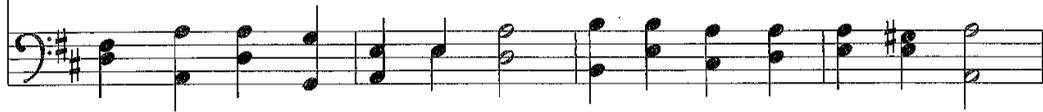
**C** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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## Take My Life, That I May Be



- 1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
- 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



- take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.



- 5 Take my will and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

## **BENEDICTION**

**P** May the merciful God, who is faithful to forgive your self-serving sin, direct you to serve others in his name and through his power, through Jesus Christ to whom be the glory forever.

**C** Amen.

## **DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace. God is with you.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

**USHERS:** Sandy Weidling/ Char

**GREETERS:** Mary Marsh/KayLee Grunst

**READER:** KayLee Grunst

### **Holy Week Services:**

<b>April 9</b>	<b>Palm Sunday Weekend</b>	<b>Sat., 4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>April 10</b>		<b>Sun., 7:45 &amp; 9:30</b>
<b>April 14</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday Service</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>April 15</b>	<b>Good Friday Service</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
	<b>There is no service on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.</b>	
<b>April 17</b>	<b>Easter Sunday Service</b>	<b>7:00 &amp; 9:30 a.m.</b>
	<b>Easter Breakfast</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>

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