GLORIA DE CRISTO LUTHERAN CHURCH "A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

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LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024 6:00 PM



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.



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<u>PLEASE NO PERFUME/COLOGNE...</u> Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)? Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. **Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church and refrain from using it.** Thank You.

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 Temptation • Corinthians : • In the midst of temptation, our merciful God provides us with a way out through his Son, who was tempted just as we are, yet without sin

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 All we like sheep have gone astray.
- C Lead us not into temptation.
- P We have turned every one to his own way.
- C Lead us not into temptation.
- P The Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

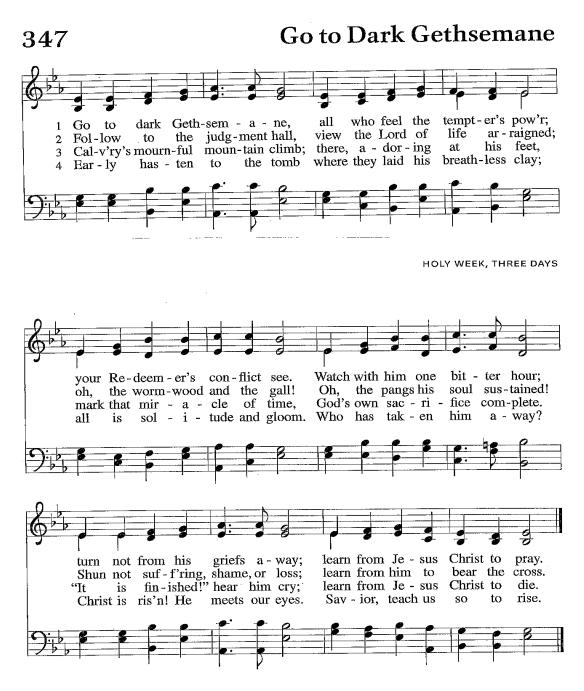
C Deliver us from evil.

- P But he was wounded for our transgressions.
- C Deliver us from evil.
- P He was crushed for our iniquities.
- C Deliver us from evil.
- P Upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace.

C Deliver us from evil.

P And with his stripes we are healed.

C Amen.



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved CONFESSION, FORGIVENESS Vieme to, Pane Bože náš 602 Leader Ø Otče nebeský, Svoriteľ u sveta, Bo žе, zmi - luj sa nad na mi. O God, Father in heav - en, have mer-cy 1 up on us. -O Son of God, redeemer of the world, have mer-cy 2 up ---on us. O God, Holy 3 Spir - it, have mer - cy up on _ us. O. O A11 Vie PaBožе náš. _ meto. ne že saпa heart, Your Ο God. is grieved, we know, by 'ry ev -0 sting Your arms ex tend, Christ, to save from \mathbf{of} Ο lav ish Giv _ er, come to aid the chil - dren váš, nás hrieš nych hne _ sved či 0 tomsmrt' e vil. ev 'nу woe; up on your cross - for of death and grasp grave; your scars be _ fore the that your word has made. Now make \mathbf{us} grow and ne - vin - ná Tvoj hoSy je di né ho_ ... na. sak - en Son our death is laid, and peace \mathbf{is} won. Fa - ther move his heart to mer -com at such love. cy help us bring and fort, pray; joy come to stay.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY (together we pray):

C Gracious Lord, as we continue our Lenten pilgrimage, we do so in view of your mercy. We are surrounded by all kinds of temptations to sin. Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit so that we resist temptation and instead do what pleases you. We pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GOSPEL: Luke 22:14, 22-38

¹⁴ When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ²⁴ A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵ But he said to them, "The kings of the gentiles lord it over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶ But not so with you; rather, the greatest among you must become like the youngest and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷ For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. ²⁸ "You are those who have stood by me in my trials, ²⁹ and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, ³⁰ so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ³¹ "Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded^[a] to sift all of you like wheat, ³² but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail, and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." ³³ And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!" ³⁴ Jesus^[b] said, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day until you have denied three times that you know me." ³⁵ He said to them, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "No, not a thing." ³⁶ He said to them, "But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. ³⁷ For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless,' and indeed what is written about me is being

fulfilled." ³⁸ They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He replied, "It is enough."

TEACHING: *"He Was Numbered among the Transgressors"* Char Schomisch



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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 those who are prone to wander into sin because of the temptations of the evil one.

C Lord, have mercy.

P When we face the temptations of the devil—who entices us to doubt and deny your true Word—keep our eyes on Jesus who conquered Satan in the wilderness and on the cross.

C Lord, have mercy.

P When we face the temptations of the flesh—our sinful appetites and lusts—keep our eyes on Jesus who lived purely as our substitute and Savior.

C Lord, have mercy.

P When we face the temptations of the world—our sinful pride and the quest for more possessions—keep our eyes on Jesus who provides for all we need in this life and the life to come.

C Lord, have mercy.

P When temptations come alluring, make us patient and enduring.

C Lord, have mercy.

P We praise you that you are faithful and that with every temptation you

provide a way of escape.

- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Fill us with your Spirit so that we will say no to sin and yes to righteousness.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil.
- 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 triumphed over temptation.
- 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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BENEDICTION

- P May the merciful God, who is faithful and provides the way of escape from temptation and sin, empower you to live according to his good and gracious will, 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.

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TODAY'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

USHERS: Jerry Taylor & Diane Lee

GREETERS: Char Schomisch & Joanne Ausing

LENTEN WORSHIP: Join us every Wednesday @ 6:00 p.m. SOUP SUPPER: begins next week from 4:30-5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall with WELCA hosting

Wednesday, February 28th our guest teacher will be Roger Tracey.

Holy Week Services:

March 23 March 24	Palm Sunday Weekend	Sat., 4:00 p.m. Sun., 7:45 & 9:30
March 28	Maundy Thursday Service	6:00 p.m.
March 29	Good Friday Service	6:00 p.m.
March 31	Easter Sunday Service	7:00 & 9:30 a.m.
	Easter Breakfast	8:00 a.m.

There is no service on Saturday, March 30th.

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