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**Sunday, March 13, 2022**  
**The Second Sunday in Lent**

Prelude  
Tower Bells and Welcome  
Announcements

*Visitors are encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the "Welcome" side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate.*

Opening Hymn

*Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed*

**LSB 437**

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

**C: Amen.**

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 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.**

## Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 4

1 Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!

**You have given me relief when I was in distress.**

**Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!**

2 O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?

**How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?**

3 But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself;

**the LORD hears when I call to him.**

4 Be angry, and do not sin;

**ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.**

5 Offer right sacrifices,  
**and put your trust in the LORD.**

6 There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?"

**Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!"**

7 You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound.

**8 In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

Kyrie

LSB 204

**C: (*sing*) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 205

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**All: 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. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 26:8-15 (*sit*)

8 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! 9 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.

10 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. 11 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."

12 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. 13 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. 14 But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. 15 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.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Philippians 3:17-4:1

17 Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. 18 For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. 19 Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. 20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 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.

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

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Verse

LSB 205

**C: (stand and sing) These things are written that you  
may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:31-35

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

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

31 At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” 32 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. 33 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.’ 34 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 were not willing! 35 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.**

Apostles' Creed (*Inside back hymnal cover*)

LSB 207

Sermon Hymn

*Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart*

**LSB 708**

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

Heavenly Father, see how many still walk as enemies of the cross of Christ and face destruction! Make known Your mercies in Christ, that they may repent and become citizens of Your kingdom. Protect Your people from their evil intentions, and grant that we would follow the example of the apostles who willingly suffered wrong to make Jesus known. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Remember the households of this congregation, O Lord. Provide help and companionship to those who live alone, and foster love between husbands and wives, parents and children, that our homes would not be places to glory in shame or set our minds on earthly things, but a refuge here and a foretaste of our heavenly home. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Remember our nation and those You have placed in authority, O Lord. Give them wisdom and integrity, and grant that neither they nor the citizens of our land would hinder Your Church or despise Your call to repentance. Give comfort to all who are injured, wandering as refugees and mourning because of war and violence. Grant peace and healing to the nations. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Remember the sick and afflicted, O Lord [especially \_\_\_\_\_]. Deliver them for the sake of Christ, who cast out demons and performed cures on His way to finish His course at the cross. Strengthen their faith to hold fast to Him, who rose again to raise them also. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, we deserve nothing but judgment and disaster for our sins. Open our eyes so that we do not take Your wrath lightly, but strive by Your grace to mend our ways and our deeds. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**All: Almighty God, Your Son suffered the reproach of mankind even as He bore all of our sins to the cross. Strengthen us gladly to bear reproach in Your name and boldly to declare Your salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.*

Lord's Prayer (*sing*)

Our Father,  
Which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come,  
They will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil,  
For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction LSB 212

P: Let us bless the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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.**

Closing Hymn

*Almighty Father, Bless the Word*

**LSB 923**

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude and Depart in His Peace

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Sermon Notes - "Life is about Eternal Relationship with, or Rejection of, Jesus."  
Philippians 3:18-21

I. The Distinction of Law and Gospel Reviewed

A. \_\_\_\_\_ in God's Word shows us our \_\_\_\_\_. (Law S.O.S.)

Humans try to \_\_\_\_\_ from God's Law, change God's Law and ignore God's Law. But truth is that all sinners are condemned by God's Law.

*Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.*  
*Romans 3:19-20*

B. \_\_\_\_\_ in God's Word shows us our \_\_\_\_\_. (Gospel S.O.S.)

Only in Jesus Christ are \_\_\_\_\_ forgiven and \_\_\_\_\_.

Anyone who trusts in Jesus's death and resurrection for forgiveness is forgiven anything and everything. No sin is more powerful than Jesus.

*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. John 3:16-17*

## II. Eternal Relationship with Jesus is Either A Law or Gospel Relationship

A. An \_\_\_\_\_ is an “\_\_\_\_\_ of the cross of Christ.”

God’s eternal view is not about whether a person is “bad person” in society, or on the other hand, doing many “good deeds.” It is about whether one trusts in Jesus for forgiveness or not. In God’s view all human deeds, even “good deeds,” are full of sin... *but are sins forgiven through faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ?*

God views our lives as in a relationship to the Father through Jesus, or not.

*Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ And the King will answer them, Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’...*

*Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.” Matthew 25:37-40 and 44-46*

B. A \_\_\_\_\_ , a Christian, is a sister or brother with Jesus, covered by His \_\_\_\_\_ which He gained by His death and resurrection.

God does not see the \_\_\_\_\_ of His children who believe in Jesus.

Through faith we see God's view and God's reality of Jesus's forgiveness covering sins, we also look at others. Others' sins need to be forgiven by Jesus as well.

We see each other, and the world, needing forgiveness and eternal life. Jesus' desire to forgive I sour hope and desire.

*And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Luke 23:34*

The Christian's \_\_\_\_\_ is an eternal life with Him and His people.

*20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 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. Philippians 3*