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**Sunday, April 3, 2022**  
**The Fifth Sunday in Lent**

Prelude  
Tower Bells  
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 near the entrance doors. Those taking Communion are asked to fill out the "Communion" side (black print) of the card. Completed cards may also be left on the pew seat.*

Opening Hymn  
Confession and Absolution

*We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died*  
LSB 203 (Divine Service IV)

**LSB 429**

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, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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 43

1 Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause  
against an ungodly people,  
**from the deceitful and unjust man  
deliver me!**

2 For you are the God in whom I take refuge;  
why have you rejected me?

**Why do I go about mourning  
because of the oppression of the enemy?**

3 Send out your light and your truth;  
let them lead me;

**let them bring me to your holy hill  
and to your dwelling!**

4 Then I will go to the altar of God,  
to God my exceeding joy,  
**and I will praise you with the lyre,  
O God, my God.**

5 Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you in turmoil within me?  
**Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,  
my salvation and my God.**

Kyrie (*sing*)

LSB 204

**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.**

P: Let us pray.

**All: Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and 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

Isaiah 43:16-21 (*Congregation sits*)

16 Thus says the LORD,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,  
17 who brings forth chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
18 "Remember not the former things,  
nor consider the things of old.  
19 Behold, I am doing a new thing;

now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
20 The wild beasts will honor me,  
the jackals and the ostriches,  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
21 the people whom I formed for myself  
that they might declare my praise.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Philippians 3:4-14

4 though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. 7 But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Verse (*sing*)

LSB 205

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 20:9-20

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

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

9 And he began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. 10 When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. 11 And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. 12 And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. 13 Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ 14 But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ 15 And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? 16 He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely not!” 17 But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written:

“‘The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone’?”

18 Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

19 The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. 20 So they watched him and

sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.      **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

LSB 206 (*Also, inside hymnal back cover*)

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

**LSB 575**

Sermon

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from pride and self-justification, that God would rescue us from the folly of believing we are righteous because of our worthiness, and that He would strengthen our faith in the surpassing worth of Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For pastors, that they would be faithful in the preaching of the Word and the administration of the Sacraments; and for congregations, that they would receive these gifts in thankfulness that Christ was rejected by sinners so that we may be welcomed into His kingdom, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For parents, that God would bless them with every good gift to teach their children that salvation and life is theirs in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For civil authorities, that God would strengthen them to discourage evil and encourage good; and that He would keep us ever mindful that it is He who shields us and lifts our heads, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the anxious and fearful, that God, who grants sleep and awakens again, would console them with His mercy and deliverance in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all those in any need, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*], let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all good works, that God, who does not extinguish us like a wick, would enlighten us in Christ and cause our light to shine before others to the glory of His name, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For repentant hearts, that we may abandon all confidence in our flesh, counting all other gains as loss, and so receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, let us pray to the Lord:  
**Lord, have mercy.**

**O Lord, in Baptism You have shared Christ's suffering, death and resurrection with us, that we might be raised from the dead. Preserve us from taking His sacrifice for granted. Encourage us to forget what lies behind and strain forward to what lies ahead, until we attain the resurrection from the dead; 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.**

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

Service of the Sacrament

Preface, Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving      LSB 208 - 209

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:

*(sing)* **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

P: We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

LSB 209 *(Also, inside hymnal back cover)*

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 209

Pax Domini and Agnus Dei

LSB 209 - 210

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

**C: Amen.**

**1 (sing) O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Distribution *Continuous Line*

Distribution Hymn

*Through Jesus Blood and Merit*

**LSB 746**

Distribution Hymn

*Your Table I Approach*

**LSB 628**

Distribution Hymn

*Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You*

**LSB 668**

*(NOTE: The Pastor will commune the Communion Assistants and then the organist. Then those who commune in the pews will be served starting at the back of the church. Not all hymns/verses may be needed. Organist will play as needed.)*

General Dismissal Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

**1 (sing) O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.**

**2 All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect, Benedicamus and Benediction

LSB 212

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

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

*Jerusalem the Golden*

LSB 672

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude

Depart in His Peace

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### **Zion Lutheran Church's Belief and Practice of the Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord Jesus gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes again in glory.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

For further study: Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f., 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 11:17-34.