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**Third Wednesday in Lent
February 28, 2024**

Prelude
Tower Bells
Welcome

*Visitors are welcome and 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.
Offerings may be placed in the plates at the entrance before or after worship. Ushers will not pass offering plates between pews.*

OPENING HYMN – 429

We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died

OPENING VERSICLES FOR LENT (*Congregation Stands*)

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

P Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful.

C slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.

P Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,

C let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.

P Christ was wounded for our transgressions.

C He was bruised for our iniquities.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C The name of the Lord is to be praised.

**All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

READINGS FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 9:6-7

6 For to us a child is born,

to us a son is given;

and the government shall be upon his shoulder,

and his name shall be called

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of his government and of peace

there will be no end,

on the throne of David and over his kingdom,

to establish it and to uphold it

with justice and with righteousness

from this time forth and forevermore.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Galatians 4:4-7

4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to

redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons,

God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Luke 1:26-35 *(Congregation Stands)*

26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. 28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" 29 But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. 30 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

34 And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

35 And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

SERMON (See insert)

SERMON HYMN — 374 Gentle Mary Laid Her Child (*Offering brought forward during last verse.*)

EVENING PRAYER *Congregation Stands*

All: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE WEEK

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE NAME OF THE LORD UPON US

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 upon you and be gracious to you;

the LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN — 883 (vs 1-3, 6)

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

LENT and HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2024
 “I Believe that Jesus Christ is My Lord”

Date	Theme	Time
February 14 Ash Wednesday (Meal 5:45 pm)	<i>I believe that Jesus Christ</i>	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 21 (Meal 5:45 pm)	<i>is true God, begotten of the Father from eternity,</i>	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 28 (Meal 5:45 pm)	<i>also true man, born of the Virgin Mary,</i>	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 6 (Meal 5:45 pm)	<i>is my Lord,</i>	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 13 (Meal 5:45 pm)	<i>who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me</i>	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 20 (Meal 5:45 pm)	<i>from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil,</i>	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Thursday, March 28 Maundy Thursday (with Lord’s Supper)	<i>not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,</i>	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Friday, March 29 Good Friday	Jesus’ 7 Last Words on the Cross	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Sunday, March 31 Resurrection Sunday	<i>in order that I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, even as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.</i>	10:00 am