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**Fifth Wednesday in Lent
March 13, 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 – 423 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

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.**

Leviticus 25:23-28

23 “The land shall not be sold in perpetuity, for the land is mine. For you are strangers and sojourners with me.
24 And in all the country you possess, you shall allow a redemption of the land.

25 “If your brother becomes poor and sells part of his property, then his nearest redeemer shall come and redeem what his brother has sold. 26 If a man has no one to redeem it and then himself becomes prosperous and finds sufficient means to redeem it, 27 let him calculate the years since he sold it and pay back the balance to the man to whom he sold it, and then return to his property. 28 But if he does not have sufficient means to recover it, then what he sold shall remain in the hand of the buyer until the year of jubilee. In the jubilee it shall be released, and he shall return to his property.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Job 19:23-27

23 “Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
24 Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!

**25 For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.**

**26 And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
27 whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.**

My heart faints within me!

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Luke 24:13-27 (*Congregation Stands*)

13 That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” 19 And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. **21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened.** 22 **Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, 23 and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive.** 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.” 25 And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” **27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.**

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.

CATECHECISM READING

The Apostles' Creed – *(Inside Back Cover of the Hymnal)*

The Explanation of the 2nd Article of the Creed

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, 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.

SERMON (See insert)

SERMON HYMN — 554 O Jesus, King, Most Wonderful *(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: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though, we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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 – 887 Now the Light Has Gone Away

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