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Midweek Lenten Service
Wednesday, February 25th, 2026

Midweek Lent 1

Theme of the Day

Why did Jesus have to come among us as a human being? Why didn't He come as an angel or some other kind of being that is stronger and more powerful than us? While angels may be a source of endless fascination to the Christian and to the world, they have no power to save us. In this week's sermon, we will hear why taking on the "robe of [our] human frame" was not only a good idea but also necessary for our salvation. Angels are wonderful, but they are not Jesus. He came as one of us so that He could redeem us as His own.

430 My Song Is Love Unknown

LSB 430 sts. 1-2, 7



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
Who at my need His life did spend!

7 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.

This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Opening Sentences

Joel 2:13; Matthew 16:24; Isaiah 53:5

P: Return to the LORD, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,

C: **slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and He relents over disaster.**

P: Jesus said, "If anyone 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 crushed for our iniquities.**

Lenten Psalm

Psalm 104:1–10, 33–35

P: Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, You are very great!

C: **You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering Yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.**

P: He lays the beams of His chambers on the waters;

C: **He makes the clouds His chariot; He rides on the wings of the wind;**

P: He makes His messengers winds, His ministers a flaming fire.

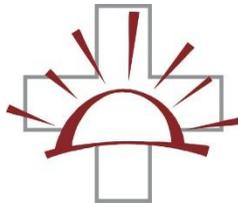
C: **He set the earth on its foundations, so that it should never be moved.**

P: You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

C: **At Your rebuke they fled; at the sound of Your thunder they took to flight.**

P: The mountains rose, the valleys sank down to the place that You appointed for them.

C: **You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.**



P: You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills;
C: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

P: May my meditation be pleasing to Him, for I rejoice in the LORD.
C: Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more!

*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.*

P: Bless the LORD, O my soul!
C: Praise the LORD! Amen.

Hymn of Praise*

422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

LSB 422



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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**Normally no hymn of praise is sung during Advent and Lent. This practice accentuates the solemn and penitential nature of these seasons.*

(Timothy H. Maschke, *Gathered Guests*)



Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You loved us with all You had. We give thanks that You became one of us, no matter the pain, so that You might redeem each of us as Your own. Hear us, Jesus Christ, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading

Micah 5:2–5a

²But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah,
who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to be ruler in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.

³Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labor has given birth;
then the rest of his brothers shall return
to the people of Israel.

⁴And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.
And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth.

⁵And he shall be their peace.

Second Reading

Hebrews 1

¹Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,
²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵For to which of the angels did God ever say,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”?

Or again,

“I will be to him a father,
and he shall be to me a son”?

⁶And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

“Let all God’s angels worship him.”

⁷Of the angels he says,

“He makes his angels winds,
and his ministers a flame of fire.”

⁸But of the Son he says,

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,
the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom.

⁹You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.”

¹⁰And,

“You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning,
and the heavens are the work of your hands;

¹¹they will perish, but you remain;
they will all wear out like a garment,

¹²like a robe you will roll them up,
like a garment they will be changed.

But you are the same,
and your years will have no end.”

¹³And to which of the angels has he ever said,

“Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet”?

¹⁴Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?



544 O Love, How Deep

LSB 544 sts. 1-2

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
2 He sent no an - gel to our race,
Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
Of high - er or of low - er place,
That God, the Son of God, should take
But wore the robe of hu - man frame,
Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
And to this world Him - self He came.

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Sermon

The Robe of Human Frame

Offering

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Litany

P: Let us pray to our Father in heaven in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

From all sin, from all error, from all evil;

From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death;

From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion;

From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;

By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and Passion; by Your precious death and burial;

By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

C: Help us, good Lord.

P: In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

C: Help us, good Lord.

P: We poor sinners implore You

C: to hear us, O Lord.

P: To rule and govern Your Holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;

To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived;

To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.



P: To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P: To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need;

To direct and defend our president and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people;

To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel;

To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them;

To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P: To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P: Oh Lord,

C: have mercy.

P: O Christ,

C: have mercy.

P: Oh Lord,

C: have mercy. Amen



The Lord's Prayer

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.

Luther's Evening Prayer

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 evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benediction

P: The blessing of our heavenly Father, the strong love of His ✠ Son and our Brother, Jesus Christ, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.



883 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

LSB 883



1 All praise to Thee, my God, this night For all the
2 For - give me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that
3 Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as
4 Oh, may my soul in Thee re - pose, And may sweet



bles - ings of the light. Keep me, O keep me,
I this day have done, That with the world, my -
lit - tle as my bed. Teach me to die that
sleep mine eye - lids close, Sleep that shall me more



King of kings, Be - neath Thine own al - might - y wings.
self, and Thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
so I may Rise glo - rious at the awe - full day.
vig - 'rous make To serve my God when I a - wake!

5 When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heav'nly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No pow'rs of darkness me molest.

△6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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Holy Week at Mt. Olive

Palm Sunday (March 29th)

10:00am - Worship (*Preschool Singing*)

Maundy Thursday (April 2nd)

7:00pm - Worship with Holy Communion

Good Friday (April 3rd)

7:00pm - Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday (April 5th)

8:30-9:45am - Easter Breakfast

10:00am - Easter Worship

*There will be an Easter egg hunt
after the Easter Sunday service.*

17th & Douglas in Forest Grove
(across from Rogers Park)



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