

FOR US



Midweek Lenten Service

Wednesday, March 4th, 2026

Midweek Lent 2

Theme of the Day

God's character, His nature, is self-giving love. Everything Jesus does, He does "for us." This phrase will be introduced this week in the series hymn. Pro nobis, or "for us," appears again and again in the series hymn. Jesus is baptized, fasts, is tempted, overcomes temptation, and, in doing so, begins His work of undoing the power of the devil (Mark 1:9–13). It is especially worth noting that because Jesus suffered when tempted, He can "help those who are being tempted" (Hebrews 2:18). He not only helps us in our weakness, but His love for us extends all the way into the grave.

420 Christ, the Life of All the Living

LSB 420 sts. 1, 6–7



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
6 Thou hast suf - fered great af - flic - tion And hast borne it
7 Then, for all that wrought my par - don, For Thy sor - rows



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
pa - tient - ly, E - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion,
deep and sore, For Thine an - guish in the Gar - den,



To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,
Ful - ly to a - tone for me; Thou didst choose to
I will thank Thee ev - er - more, Thank Thee for Thy



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
be tor - ment - ed That my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
groan - ing, sigh - ing, For Thy bleed - ing and Thy dy - ing,



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
For that last tri - um - phant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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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 62:1-6

P: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation.

C: **He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.**

P: How long will all of you attack a man to batter him, like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

C: **They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.**

P: They take pleasure in falsehood.

C: **They bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse.**

P: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from Him.

C: **He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

*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.*

P: For God alone my soul waits in silence;

C: **from Him comes my salvation. 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-raise;



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 did not visit this created world to show Your power over it. Rather, it was done for us fallen creatures, along with everything You endured and all that You experienced. Grant us such an overwhelming sense of gratitude that we think, speak, and live each day as Your true brothers and sisters. Hear us, Jesus Christ, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Readings

Hebrews 2:11-18

Mark 1:9-13

544 O Love, How Deep

LSB 544 sts. 1-3

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
2 He sent no an - gel to our race,
3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore

Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
Of high - er or of low - er place,
His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;

That God, the Son of God, should take
But wore the robe of hu - man frame,
For us temp - ta - tion sharp He knew;

Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
And to this world Him - self He came.
For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.

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Sermon

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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: Our loving Father—whose love is so deep, broad, and beyond all thought—His ✠ Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and the Holy Spirit, accompany you now and always.

C: Amen.

886 The Day Thou Gavest

LSB 886



1 The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
2 We thank Thee that Thy Church, un-sleep-ing
3 As o'er each con-ti-nent and is-land
4 The sun, that bids us rest, is wak-ing
5 So be it, Lord! Thy throne shall nev-er,



The dark-ness falls at Thy be-hest;
While earth rolls on-ward in-to light,
The dawn leads on-an-oth-er day,
Thy saints be-neath the west-ern skies,
Like earth's proud em-pires, pass a-way;



To Thee our morn-ing hymns as-cend-ed,
Through all the world her watch is keep-ing,
The voice of prayer is nev-er si-lent,
And hour by hour, as day is break-ing,
Thy king-dom stands and grows for-ev-er,



Thy praise shall sanc-ti-fy our rest.
And nev-er rests by day or night.
Nor dies the strain of praise a-way.
Fresh hymns of thank-ful praise a-rise.
Till all Thy crea-tures own Thy sway.

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