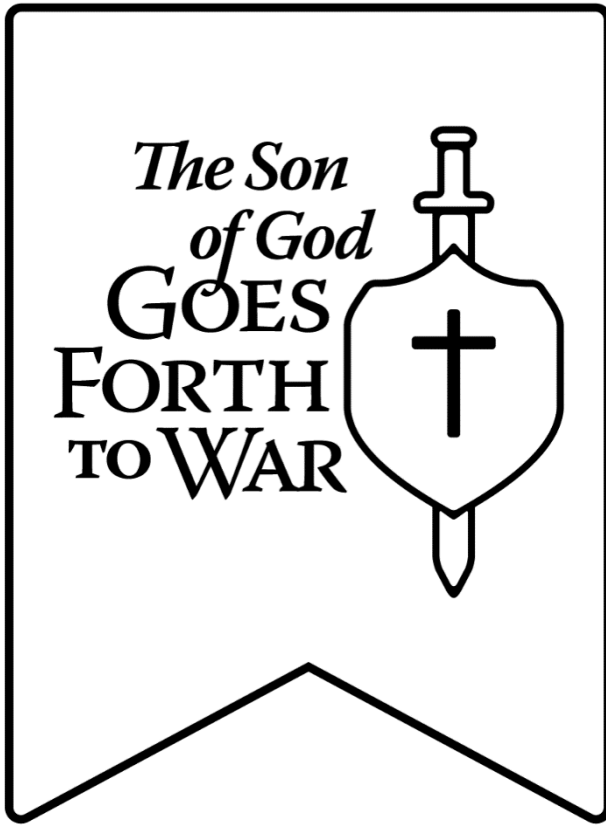


_____Midweek Lent 5_____

The Warrior Faces Satan's Ally, the World



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As Christians united in common faith, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to nurture believers and bring the lost to faith in Jesus through God's Holy Word and Sacraments.

Welcome!

- All worshipers are asked to sign the Fellowship Cards during the offering. These are located in the card holders in the pew.
 - Restrooms are in the church basement located just at the bottom of the front stairs. Changing tables are available to parents.
 - An elevator is available on the north side of the church entrance.
 - The basement is available to parents needing to quiet small children. The area is equipped with closed circuit TV.
 - Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.
 - Hearing assistance devices are also available from the ushers.
 - Help yourself to printed copies of the sermon located in the racks on the back pews.
 - Out of respect for all who worship today, please silence all electronic devices.
 - Children's Quiet Bags can be found on the coat rack in the entry way. Please return them to the basket after the service.
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Opening Hymn

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain – **CW 106**

P: In the name of our God, to whom all hearts are open and from whom no secrets are hidden. Amen.

C: O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy, and in your faithfulness, come to my relief. Do not bring your servant into judgment, for no one living is righteous before you. Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails. Do not hide your face from me, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul. Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.

Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and repentant sinner, confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, my words, and my actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I am distressed by the sins that trouble me and am deeply sorry for them.

Silence for private confession.

P: Jesus says to his people: "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven." His death paid for the guilt of your sins and the sins of the whole world. Do you believe this?

C: Yes, I believe.

P: Because of the promise of our Savior Jesus, I forgive you all your sins. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life.

Prayer

P: Lord God, we thank you for this day of grace now drawing to a close. Stay with us and warm our hearts with your forgiving love in Christ. May your Word keep our faith burning brightly, that we may walk in the light of your presence through the darkness of this world. Come and bless us as we worship you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Refrain

Great are the works of the Lord. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-
lu-ia! Great are the works of the Lord.

Psalm tone

Why do the nations conspire*
and the peoples plot in vain?

The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers
gather together against the LORD*
and against his Anointed One.

Refrain

The One enthroned in heaven laughs;*
the Lord scoffs at them.

Then he rebukes them in his anger
and terrifies them in his wrath, saying,*
“I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill.”

I will proclaim the decree of the LORD:*
He said to me, “You are my Son;
today I have become your Father.”

**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.**

Refrain

Psalm Prayer

P: Lord God, you anointed your Son to be King for the sake of your church. Help us, as members of his kingdom, to serve him faithfully and to come to the full knowledge of his grace and glory, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Passion Reading

Seasonal Response

All: All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

Hymn

O Dearest Jesus – **CW 117**

Sermon Text

John 19:10-15

"Do you refuse to speak to me?" Pilate said. "Don't you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?" ¹¹ Jesus answered, "You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." ¹² From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jewish leaders kept shouting, "If you let this man go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar." ¹³ When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judge's seat at a place known as the Stone Pavement (which in Aramaic is Gabbatha). ¹⁴ It was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about noon. "Here is your king," Pilate said to the Jews. ¹⁵ But they shouted, "Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!" "Shall I crucify your king?" Pilate asked. "We have no king but Caesar," the chief priests answered.

Sermon

Pastor Arno Wolfgramm

JESUS VS. PONTIUS PILATE

1. *The battle tactics of Pontius Pilate.*
2. *The decisive victory of Jesus Christ.*

Offering

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

Hymn

Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray – **CW 472**

Evening Prayer

**All: In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen. I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ,
your dear Son, that you have graciously kept me this day. Forgive
me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands
I commend 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.**

Blessing

**P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ †, and the love of God, and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.**

C: Amen.

Hymn

In the Hour of Trial – **CW 116**

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Worship Notes

Presiding Minister: Arno Wolfgramm

Organist: Nancy Zander

Service Teams: 3:45pm Team Fischer
6:00pm Team Waack

Welcome

In an age of anxiety we still believe that peace comes from Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

In an age of confusion we still believe that the Bible is the word of God, inerrant and infallible.

In an age of doubt we still believe that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

In an age of guilt we still believe that Jesus died on the cross to pay for the sins of the world, bringing complete pardon and joy to all believers.

In an age of reason we still believe that God is at work in the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion.

In an age of change we still believe in one unchanging God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Whether you are a first time visitor or returning guest, we are delighted to share our worship with you. Please come back and worship with us again.



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