

## WITNESSES TO CHRIST

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### **Theme for This Week**

***"Witnesses to Christ's Passion"***

***Subtheme "Malchus"***

**Midweek Lent Service**

**March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

## 421 Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing



1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing In Your ho - ly  
2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion Fas - ci - nate my  
3 If the world my heart en - tic - es With the broad and  
4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord,  
5 O my God, my rock and tow - er, Grant that in Your



wounds I find, Ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing Pains of  
sin - ful mind, Draw me to Your cross and pas - sion, And new  
eas - y road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful vi - ces, Let me  
is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing  
death I trust, Know - ing death has lost its pow - er Since You



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in  
cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,  
weigh the aw - ful load. You were will - ing to en - dure.  
new life to my soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet  
crushed it in the dust. Sav - ior, let Your ag - o - ny



Tempt my treach - 'rous heart to sin, Show the per - il, and from  
Let me then be on my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me was  
Help me flee all thoughts im - pure And to mas - ter each temp -  
Ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; For Your all - a - ton - ing  
Ev - er help and com - fort me; When I die be my pro -



sin - ning Keep me from its first be - gin - ning.  
wound - ed," That the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.  
ta - tion, Calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.  
pas - sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.  
tec - tion, Light and life and res - ur - rec - tion.

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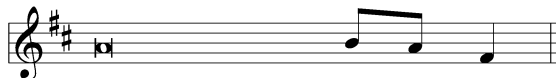
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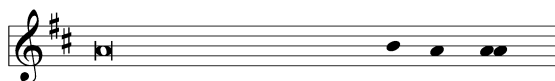
## Lent Versicles



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**G** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

## Psalmody

### Psalm

*Psalm 69:16, 1-3, 13-14, 16-18, 16*



<sup>16</sup>Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast | love is good;\*  
according to your abundant mercy, | turn to me.

<sup>1</sup>Save me, | O God!\*  
For the waters have come up | to my neck.

<sup>2</sup>I sink in deep mire,  
where there is no | foothold;\*  
I have come into deep waters,  
and the flood sweeps | over me.

<sup>3</sup>I am weary with my crying out;  
my | throat is parched.\*

My eyes grow dim  
with waiting | for my God.

<sup>13</sup>But as for me, my prayer is to you, | O LORD.\*  
At an acceptable time, O God,  
in the abundance of your steadfast love answer me in your  
saving | faithfulness.

<sup>14</sup>Deliver me  
from sinking | in the mire;\*

let me be delivered from my enemies  
and from the deep | waters.

<sup>16</sup>Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast | love is good;\*  
according to your abundant mercy, | turn to me.

<sup>17</sup>Hide not your face from your servant;  
for I am | in distress;\*  
make haste to | answer me.

<sup>18</sup>Draw near to my soul, re- | deem me;\*  
ransom me because of my | enemies!

<sup>16</sup>Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast | love is good;\*  
according to your abundant mercy, | turn to me.

**"Behold the Lamb of God," John Said**

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## Readings

**Reading, The Passion History #2**

*Gethsemane*

**Reading**

*Isaiah 53:1–5*

<sup>1</sup>Who has believed what they heard from us?  
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

<sup>2</sup>For he grew up before him like a young plant,  
and like a root out of dry ground;  
he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,  
and no beauty that we should desire him.

<sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by men;  
a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;  
and as one from whom men hide their faces  
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our griefs  
and carried our sorrows;  
yet we esteemed him stricken,  
smitten by God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions;  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,  
and with his stripes we are healed.

## Reading

*John 18:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. <sup>2</sup>Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. <sup>3</sup>So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" <sup>5</sup>They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. <sup>6</sup>When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. <sup>7</sup>So he asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." <sup>8</sup>Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go." <sup>9</sup>This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one." <sup>10</sup>Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) <sup>11</sup>So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

## Responsory (Lent)

LSB 231

*Verse* *To Refrain*



**L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.  
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.  
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.

*Refrain*



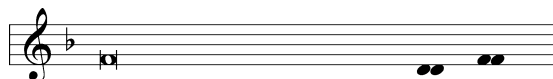
**C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me  
from those who rise a - gainst me.

# Sermon

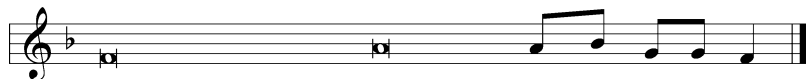
## Canticle

# Antiphon (Common)

LSB 231



**L** Let my prayer rise before You as in - cense,



**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

# Magnificat

LSB 231



**C** My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Sav-ior;



**I** for He has re-gard - ed the lowliness of His hand-maid - en.



**II** For be-hold, from this day all generations will call me bless - ed.



**I** For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;



**II** and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to gen - er - a - tion.



**I** He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the



imagination of their hearts. **II** He has cast down the



might-y from their thrones and has ex - alt - ed the low - ly.



**I** He has filled the hun - gry with good things,

and the rich He has sent emp - ty a - way.

He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mer - cy

as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for-ev-er.

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir-it;

as it was in the be-gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev - er. A-men.

## Offering

## Prayer

## Kyrie

LSB 233

Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## 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.

## Collects

### Introduction to Collects

*LSB 233*

### Collect of the Day

**P** 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.

**G** Amen.

### Additional Collects

**P** Heavenly Father, ruler of all things and God of all consolation, Your Son healed every manner of infirmity and disease and so displayed Your mercy toward the sick and the suffering. Mercifully come to the aid of Your servants, that according to Your merciful will, they may be delivered from illness, restored to health, strengthened in faith, and offer You the thanks and praise of a grateful heart; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**G** Amen.

**P** Deliver us, O Lord, from temptation to manage and control the troubles and uncertainties of this mortal life and grant us faith in You, that our peace may come not from the things around us but from the grace and mercy You have manifested upon the cross, once for all; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

### Collect for Peace

**L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in



peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

LSB 234



**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

LSB 234



**P** The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



**C** A - men.

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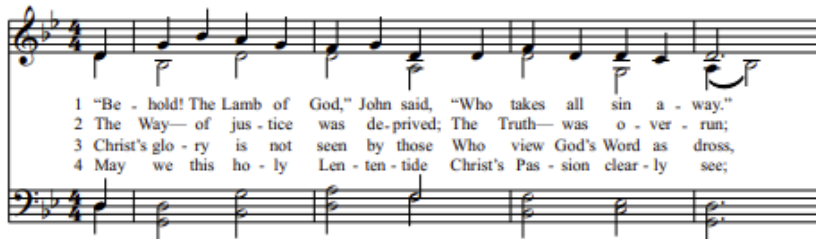
# “Behold! The Lamb of God,” John Said

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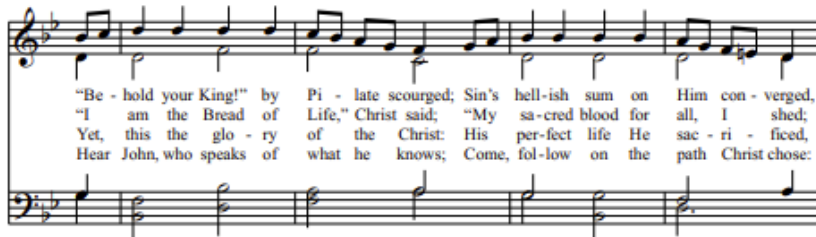
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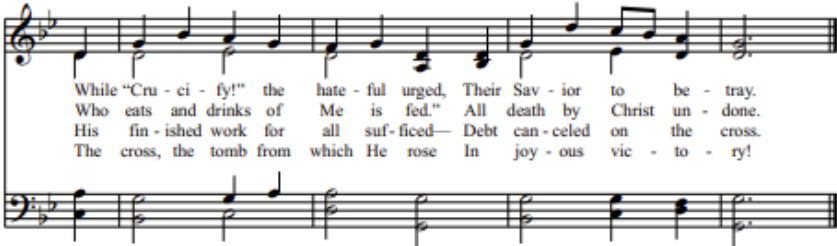
1 “Be - hold! The Lamb of God,” John said, “Who takes all sin a - way.”  
2 The Way— of jus - tice was de - prived; The Truth— was o - ver - run;  
3 Christ’s glo - ry is not seen by those Who view God’s Word as dross,  
4 May we this ho - ly Len - ten - tide Christ’s Pas - sion clear - ly see;



This Lamb is Christ, who in our stead For sin would mute - ly pay.  
The Life— was all from Christ de - rived; God glo - ri - fies His Son!  
For world - ly wis - dom nev - er knows How gain could come from loss.  
This som - ber vi - sion will pro - vide The truth that sets us free.



“Be - hold your King!” by Pi - late scourged; Sin’s hell-ish sum on Him con - verged,  
“I am the Bread of Life,” Christ said; “My sa - cred blood for all, I shed;  
Yet, this the glo - ry of the Christ: His per - fect life He sac - ri - ficed;  
Hear John, who speaks of what he knows; Come, fol - low on the path Christ chose:



While “Cru - ci - fy!” the hate - ful urged, Their Sav - ior to be - tray.  
Who eats and drinks of Me is fed.” All death by Christ un - done.  
His fin - ished work for all suf - ficed— Debt can - celed on the cross.  
The cross, the tomb from which He rose In joy - ous vic - to - ry!