Lenten Service March 18, 2020



St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church 1764 Meyersville Rd, Meyersville, Texas 77974 361-277-8653 Pastor John Boor March 18, 2020 Worship Service 7:00 p.m.

THE PRELUDE Announcements

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

C And also with you.

HYMN "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" LBW #345

Stand

- L Lord, open my lips,
- C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- C make haste to help me, O Lord.
- L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.
- C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.
- L In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.
- C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.
- L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.
- C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

C 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. Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray;

O Lord, we are often fearful of the storms and dangers of this world, whether they be unseen and unknown, present or just a possibility. Release us from all our fears by reminding us of your protection for us and your authority over every evil force that might be looming out there to harm us. Keep us mindful that through your ross, nothing, neither death nor life, not angels nor rulers, not things present not things to come, nor powers n, nor height nor depth, not anything else in all creation can separate us from the love of God. In your name we pray, Amen

Sit

FIRST READING

⁶ Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time, ⁷ casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you. ⁸ Be of sober *spirit*, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹ But resist him, firm in *your* faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world. ¹⁰ After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen *and* establish you. ¹¹ To Him *be* dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Stand

HOLY GOSPEL

⁴⁷While He was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss Him, ⁴⁸but Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?" ⁴⁹And when those who were around Him saw what would follow, they said, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?" ⁵⁰And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ⁵¹But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And He

touched his ear and healed him. ⁵²Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against Him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? ⁵³When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on Me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."

The Gospel of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

| | Apostles' Creed | |
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| Stand | | |
| Hymn | "Chief of Sinners Though I Be" | LBW #306 |
| Sit Message | | Pastor John |
| C:4 | | |

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

> I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

C My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior;

for He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.

For behold, from this day all generations will call me blessed.

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

and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has exalted the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away.

He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and his seed forever.

C 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.

Offering

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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. Benediction

Stand Hymn

"The Old Rugged Cross" (1st Verse)

On a hill far away stood an Old Rugged Cross The emblem of suffering and shame And I love that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain

So I'll cherish the Old Rugged Cross Till my trophies at last I lay down And I will cling to the Old Rugged Cross And exchange it some day for a crown

To the Old Rugged Cross, I will ever be true It's shame and reproach, gladly bear Then He'll call me some day to my home far away Where His glory forever I'll share

And I'll cherish the Old Rugged Cross Till my trophies at last I lay down And I will cling to the Old Rugged Cross And exchange it some day for a crown

(The congregation leaves in silence)



The Season of Lent • Year A



The Lenten season is one that is somber and reflective as we gather together to recall Jesus' final acts of ministry and the events that led to his death. We come in humility knowing that our sinfulness is no different than any humans that have come before us, but that we ask God to forgive us and make us his new creatures in the waters of our baptism.