

WELCOME

INVOCATION

Liturgist: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Liturgist: The Father shows us His mercy in the life-giving sacrifice of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Behold the Son of God, the servant of all, who sheds His blood on the cross of Calvary.

Liturgist: The Spirit nourishes our life with the gift of faith that holds fast to Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Behold the Son of God, the servant of all, who sheds His blood on the cross of Calvary.

OPENING HYMN Jesus Paid It All vs1-3

And I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small; Child of weakness watch and pray, Find in Me thine all in all."

'Cause Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find, Thy power and Thine alone; Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone.

And when before the throne. I stand in Him complete; Jesus died my soul to save My lips shall still repeat

'Cause Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

Oh praise the One who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead

'Cause Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

CONFESSION

Liturgist: Return to the LORD, your God,

People: for he is gracious and merciful.

Liturgist: God is our refuge and strength,

People: a very present help in trouble.

Liturgist: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

People: so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

Liturgist: For He was pierced for our transgressions;

People: he was crushed for our iniquities;

Liturgist: The punishment that brought us peace was on him,

People: and by his wounds we are healed.

Liturgist: As far as the east is from the west,

People: so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Liturgist: Merciful Father, we have rebelled against You.

People: Forgive us for Jesus' sake.

Liturgist: Lord,

People: have mercy.

FORGIVENESS

HYMN When I Survey the Wondrous Cross LSB 425

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died. My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Liturgist: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Litergist: Let us pray. Almighty God, our great Redeemer, in the sacrifice of Your Son You put to death our wretched flesh and in His rising restored our life. Grant that we may always cling to Christ by faith in this life that at the last we may rejoice to stand in our own flesh and see You face to face; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

(Based on Luther's Catechism, Explanation of the 2nd Article)

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 15:1-20



SERMON RESPONSE

Liturgist: Lord Jesus, we bring before You our fears and our failures. When preoccupation with our world diminishes our praise of Your name,

People: fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Liturgist: When we place our own careers, agendas, and opportunities ahead of Your will, Your Word, and Your desire for our lives,

People: fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Liturgist: When self-centeredness consumes us and we lose sight of what is honorable, just, and good,

People: fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Liturgist: When we ignore the evil being perpetrated around us and refuse to boldly stand against Satan and his deceitful traps,

People: fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Liturgist: As we gaze upon the cross and see the crucified and innocent Lamb of God preserve our hearts and minds—

People: fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Liturgist: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYERS

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.

CLOSING HYMN How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in Awesome Wonder Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,

I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;

That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin;

Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art

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