

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE 6

“Agnus Dei”

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We warmly welcome you in the name of Jesus!

We are always glad to have you worship with us.

*If you do not have a regular church home,
we invite you to make our church home yours.*

- † Our worship services are on Sunday mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 AM. We also invite and encourage you to join us in Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 AM.
- † Assisted hearing devices, children's bulletins, and large print service folders are available -- please ask an usher for one.
- † While we encourage children to be present in worship, the upstairs cry room opposite the elevator is available for you.
- † Our worship services can now be viewed on the church's Facebook page (live or after the service), as well as on our YouTube channel. *The Lutheran Hour* can be heard on Sundays at 9:00 AM at KAWZ (102.7FM).

Prayer before worship:

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

What Prompted Christ

[tune: WONDROUS LOVE]



1 What prompt - ed Christ, our Lord, to come
2 The bread of life God gives as we



down to the cross? What prompt - ed Him to die for my
jour - ney through life As sin - ners we still grum - ble, com -



soul? It was the Fa - ther's love That
plain. But God for - gives all sin; His

sent Him to the cross That in Christ's bound - less
 Son has paid each one. So bless the Lord, my
 love He would pay for all sin To
 soul, and then bless Fa - ther, Son, And
 pay for ev - 'ry sin since the fall.
 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er the same.

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Please stand.

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Psalm 40:1-10

- P** I waited patiently for the LORD;
- C** **he inclined to me and heard my cry.**
- P** He drew me up from the pit of destruction,
- C** **out of the miry bog,**
- P** and set my feet upon a rock,
- C** **making my steps secure.**
- P** He put a new song in my mouth,
- C** **a song of praise to our God.**
- P** Many will see and fear,
- C** **and put their trust in the LORD.**
- P** Blessèd is the man who makes the LORD his trust,
- C** **who does not turn to the proud,**
to those who go astray after a lie!
- P** You have multiplied, O LORD my God,
- C** **your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;**
none can compare with you!
- P** I will proclaim and tell of them,
- C** **yet they are more than can be told.**

P Sacrifice and offering you have not desired,
C **but you have given me an open ear.**
P Burnt offering and sin offering
C **you have not required.**
P Then I said, "Behold, I have come;
C **in the scroll of the book it is written of me:**
P I desire to do your will, O my God;
C **your law is within my heart."**

P I have told the glad news of deliverance
C **in the great congregation;**
P behold, I have not restrained my lips,
C **as you know, O LORD.**
P I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart;
C **I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;**
P I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness
C **from the great congregation. *Please be seated.***

First Reading

1 Peter 1:13-25

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for

"All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers,
and the flower falls,
but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand in reverence to the Gospel.

Gospel Reading

John 1:29-37

The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

Hymn

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

LSB 434



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,



Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.



All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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Sermon

“Agnus Dei”

Offering

Please stand.

Offertory Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

LSB 426, sts. 1, 4



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

Tune: Second Supplement to Psalmsody in Miniature, 1778, London; adapt. Edward Miller, 1731–1807, Text and tune: Public domain
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Prayers

- P** Let us pray for all people who are unsure of God’s hearing their prayers.
- C** **Hear their cries, O Lord, grant them courage as You accompany, and answer them speedily.**

- P** Let us ask God to strengthen the faith of those who only recently have known Him.
- C** **Reveal Yourself gently to them, Lord Jesus, through the caring of Your church.**

- P** Let us pray for those who feel trapped by circumstances beyond their control.
- C** **Assure them that You know their dilemma and that the deliverer has come: Jesus, our Savior and Lord.**

- P** Let us pray for all who fear God’s punishment.
- C** **Show them mercy, O Lord, as You passed over Your Old Testament people. Grant them peace through Your presence.**

- P** Let us pray for all who know no good ways to turn, are unsure of the truth, and await only their deaths.
- C** **Tell them again, Lord Jesus, that You alone are the way, and the truth, and the life.**

- P** Finally, let us pray for all who are tired from opposition in the world around them and from their own conflicts within themselves.

C Awaken in them a sense of Your accompanying them on their journey until that day when they and we join those who have gone before us at Your heavenly banquet hall.

P O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the Promised Land.

C Guide the people of Your church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Christ, our Lord.

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works,

C 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;

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

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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

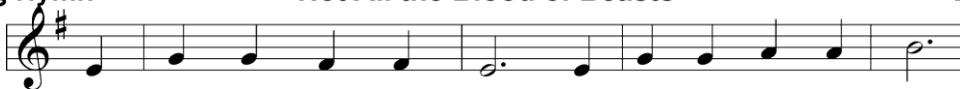
P The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

Not All the Blood of Beasts

LSB 431



1 Not all the blood of beasts On Jew - ish al - tars slain
2 But Christ, the heav'n - ly Lamb, Takes all our sins a - way;
3 My faith would lay its hand On that dear head of Thine,
4 My soul looks back to see The bur - den Thou didst bear
5 Be - liev - ing, we re - joice To see the curse re - move;



Could give the guilt - y con-science peace Or wash a - way the stain.
A sac - ri - fice of no - bler name And rich - er blood than they.
While as a pen - i - tent I stand, And there con - fess my sin.
When hang - ing on the curs - ed tree; I know my guilt was there.
We bless the Lamb with cheer - ful voice And sing His bleed - ing love.

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