

And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

# **SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

11:00A

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH, CONOVER

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We stand.

**OPENING HYMN** "Christ, the Life of All the Living" 420 St. 1-3, 7

#### INVOCATION

 $\mathbb{P}$  In the name of the Father and of the  $\mathbb{T}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.** 

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

- P Our Lenten journey continues toward the cross.
- C It is a journey marked with suffering,
- P but suffering produces endurance.
- **C** Endurance produces character.
- P Character produces hope,
- C and hope in Christ does not put us to shame.

# **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

P Our hope in Christ is strong and living, yet we have often taken for granted the profound reality of Christ's death for us. We have ignored how weak and ungodly we have been. Still, our heavenly Father grants us access to His throne of grace, to ask for His forgiveness.

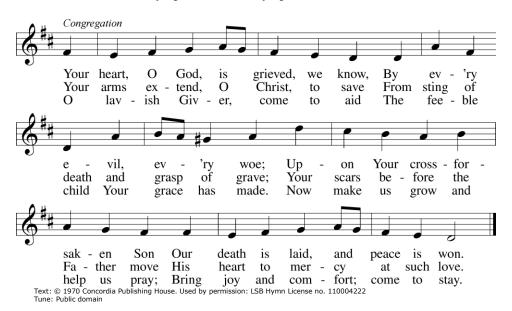
Silence for reflection.

- P Heavenly Father,
- C we have not rejoiced in suffering but have given up easily. We have lacked integrity and acted shamefully. And we have even despaired of life itself. Have mercy upon us, and reconcile us back to You, so that we may rejoice once more, on account of Jesus. Amen.
- P At just the right time, while we were still weak and ungodly, Jesus Christ died for us and reconciled us to God. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. We are forgiven and are at peace with God.

# KYRIE "Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved" 945

Choir: 1.O God, Father in heaven, have mercy upon us.

- 2. O Son of God, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us.
- 3. O God, Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us.



## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

# P Let us pray.

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.

## C Amen.

We sit.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## **EPISTLE READING**

Romans 5:1-11

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

We stand.





stead-fast love, and a - bound-ing in stead-fast love.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 8:27-38

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the Gospel is read:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit.

HYMN OF THE DAY "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart" 708
St. 2 - choir

SERMON

"I Forgot"

Pastor Michael Geml

We stand.

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

# PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Cor. 11:26; Rev. 22:20

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### LORD'S PRAYER

# PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

We sit.

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" 437
"When Peace, like a River" 763

We stand.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT** 

# **BENEDICTION**

CLOSING HYMN "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" 722

## **Postlude**

Sermon Notes
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