



**For even the Son of Man came not  
to be served but to serve, and to  
give his life as a ransom for many.**

Mark 10:45

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**MARCH 17, 2024**

**11:00A**

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH, CONOVER**

## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*We stand.*

**OPENING HYMN “Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain” 435**

## **INVOCATION**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

**P** What a priest we have in Jesus!

**C He is our source of eternal salvation.**

**P** He sympathizes with us in our weakness.

**C He offers prayers and supplications for us.**

**P** He serves us and sacrifices Himself for us.

**C What a priest we have in Jesus!**

## **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

**P** Though Jesus is our great High Priest, we have lived as if we did not need Him, as though our sin was not dire and deadly.

Despite our self-centered failures, our heavenly Father is merciful, and because of Jesus, He invites us to draw near to His throne in confidence to ask for forgiveness.

*Silence for reflection.*

P Heavenly Father,

**C we have sinned against our neighbors and against You. We have sought to be served. We have demanded others sacrifice for us. Forgive us, renew us, and humble us, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy sent Jesus into our world to be our great High Priest, who came to serve and offer His life as a ransom for us. Christ died and is risen for you. 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen. We are forgiven. Christ has sacrificed His life for us.**

## 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.

*Congregation*



Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, By ev - 'ry  
Your arms ex - tend, O Christ, to save From sting of  
O lav - ish Giv - er, come to aid The fee - ble



e - vil, ev - 'ry woe; Up - on Your cross - for -  
death and grasp of grave; Your scars be - fore the  
child Your grace has made. Now make us grow and



sak - en Son Our death is laid, and peace is won.  
Fa - ther move His heart to mer - cy at such love.  
help us pray; Bring joy and com - fort; come to stay.

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## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon  
Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore  
in body and 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**

**Jeremiah 31:31–34**

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **EPISTLE READING**

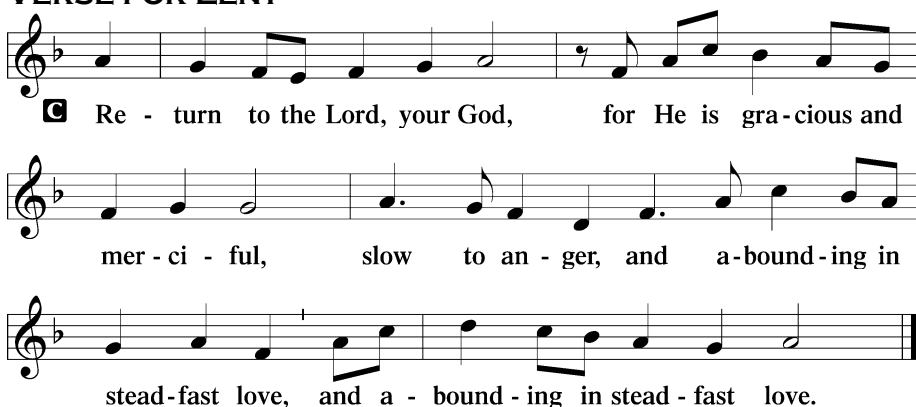
**Hebrews 5:1–10**

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*We stand.*

## **VERSE FOR LENT**



**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a-bound-ing in  
stead-fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

**Mark 10:32-45**

℟ The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**℟ Glory to You, O Lord.**

*After the Gospel is read:*

℟ This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**℟ Praise to You, O Christ.**

*We sit.*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“My Song Is Love Unknown”**

**430**

## **SERMON**

**“A Blank Check”**

**Pastor Michael Geml**

*We stand.*

## **APOSTLES’ CREED**

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## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **PREFACE**

℟ The Lord be with you.

**℟ And also with you.**

℟ Lift up your hearts.

**℟ We lift them to the Lord.**

℟ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**℟ It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

℟ 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**

**“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” 637**

**“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” 770**

*We stand.*

## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

## **BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN “Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way” 857**

## **POSTLUDE**



## Sermon Notes

