

# Midweek Lenten Worship 2020

Calvary Lutheran Church  
Marquette, Michigan

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Stambaugh, Michigan



Opening Prayer

Hymn

## Invocation

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

(Sung, TLH 323)

***With broken heart and contrite sigh, A trembling sinner, Lord, I cry.***

***Thy pardoning grace is rich and free, O God, be merciful to me!***

## Confession/Absolution

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise in Christian fellowship, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

(Sung, TLH 323)

***Nor alms nor deeds that I have done Can for a single sin atone.***

***To Calvary alone I flee – O God, be merciful to me!***

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(Sung, TLH 323)

***And now, redeemed from sin and hell, With all the ransomed throng I dwell,***

***My raptured song shall ever be, God has been merciful to me!***



***Harmony Reading of the Passion of our Lord***

(Sung, TLH 179)



***On my heart imprint Thine image, Blessed Jesus, King of Grace,  
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures Have no power Thee to efface.  
This the superscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,  
Is my life, my hope's Foundation, And my Glory and Salvation.***

## Confession of Faith

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and His innocent suffering and death.

He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy; just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity.

This is most certainly true.

Hymn

The Sermon

***"What They Said When Jesus Went to Calvary"***

***"Lord, is it I?" (CS)***

***"He is deserving of death." (NG)***

***"I do not know the man."(PT)***

***"What is truth?" (BN)***

***"His blood be on us."(AS)***

***"Lord, remember me."(NG)***

The Offertory (Sung)

***Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me.***

***Cast me not away from Your presence, Take not Your Holy Spirit from me.***

***Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, Uphold with Your Spirit free.***

Offering † Prayer † The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Supper (Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday)

The Benediction

***Amen, Amen, Amen!***

(sung by the congregation)

Closing Hymn:

TLH 558 - All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night



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### **"Lord, is it I?"**

**Matthew 26:20-25**  
<sup>20</sup> When evening had come, He sat down with the twelve. <sup>21</sup> Now as they were eating, He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me." <sup>22</sup> And they were exceedingly sorrowful, and each of them began to say to Him, "Lord, is it I?" <sup>23</sup> He answered and said, "He who dipped his hand with Me in the dish will betray Me. <sup>24</sup> The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born." <sup>25</sup> Then Judas, who was betraying Him, answered and said, "Rabbi, is it I?" He said to him, "You have said it."

### **"He is deserving of death."**

**Matthew 26:59-66**  
<sup>59</sup> Now the chief priests, the elders, and all the council sought false testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, <sup>60</sup> but found none. Even though many false witnesses came forward, they found none. But at last two false witnesses came forward <sup>61</sup> and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'" <sup>62</sup> And the high priest arose and said to Him, "Do You answer nothing? What is it these men testify against You?" <sup>63</sup> But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, "I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!" <sup>64</sup> Jesus said to him, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven." <sup>65</sup> Then the high priest tore his clothes, saying, "He has spoken blasphemy! What further need do we have of witnesses? Look, now you have heard His blasphemy!" <sup>66</sup> What do you think?" They answered and said, "He is deserving of death."

### **"I do not know the man."**

**Matthew 26:69-75**  
<sup>69</sup> Now Peter sat outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came to him, saying, "You also were with Jesus of Galilee." <sup>70</sup> But he denied it before them all, saying, "I do not know what you are saying." <sup>71</sup> And when he had gone out to the gateway, another girl saw him and said to those who were there, "This fellow also was with Jesus of Nazareth." <sup>72</sup> But again he denied with an oath, "I do not know the Man!" <sup>73</sup> And a little later those who stood by came up and said to Peter, "Surely you also are one of them, for your speech betrays you." <sup>74</sup> Then he began to curse and swear, saying, "I do not know the Man!" Immediately a rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup> And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." So he went out and wept bitterly.

### **"What is truth?"**

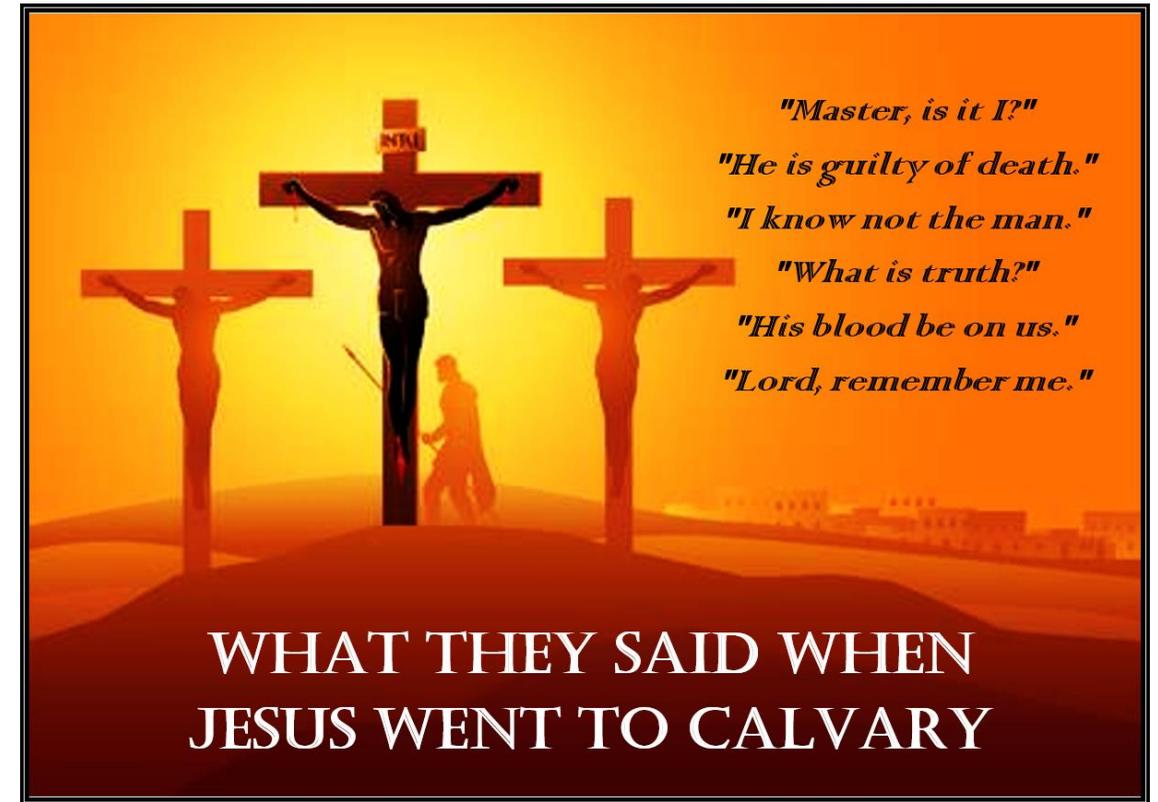
**John 18:33-38**  
<sup>33</sup> Then Pilate entered the Praetorium again, called Jesus, and said to Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered him, "Are you speaking for yourself about this, or did others tell you this concerning Me?" <sup>35</sup> Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You to me. What have You done?" <sup>36</sup> Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup> Pilate therefore said to Him, "Are You a king then?" Jesus answered, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice." <sup>38</sup> Pilate said to Him, "What is truth?" And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, "I find no fault in Him at all."

### **"His blood be on us."**

**Matthew 27:17-25**  
<sup>17</sup> Therefore, when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" <sup>18</sup> For he knew that they had handed Him over because of envy. <sup>19</sup> While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent to him, saying, "Have nothing to do with that just Man, for I have suffered many things today in a dream because of Him." <sup>20</sup> But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. <sup>21</sup> The governor answered and said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" They said, "Barabbas!" <sup>22</sup> Pilate said to them, "What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said to him, "Let Him be crucified!" <sup>23</sup> Then the governor said, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they cried out all the more, saying, "Let Him be crucified!" <sup>24</sup> When Pilate saw that he could not prevail at all, but rather that a tumult was rising, he took water and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, "I am innocent of the blood of this just Person. You see to it." <sup>25</sup> And all the people answered and said, "His blood be on us and on our children."

### **"Lord, remember me."**

**Luke 23:39-43**  
<sup>39</sup> Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." <sup>40</sup> But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation?" <sup>41</sup> And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup> Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." <sup>43</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."



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