

ASH WEDNESDAY

MARCH 2, 2022

**IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Missouri Synod



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Sunday

**Worship Service
9:00 AM**

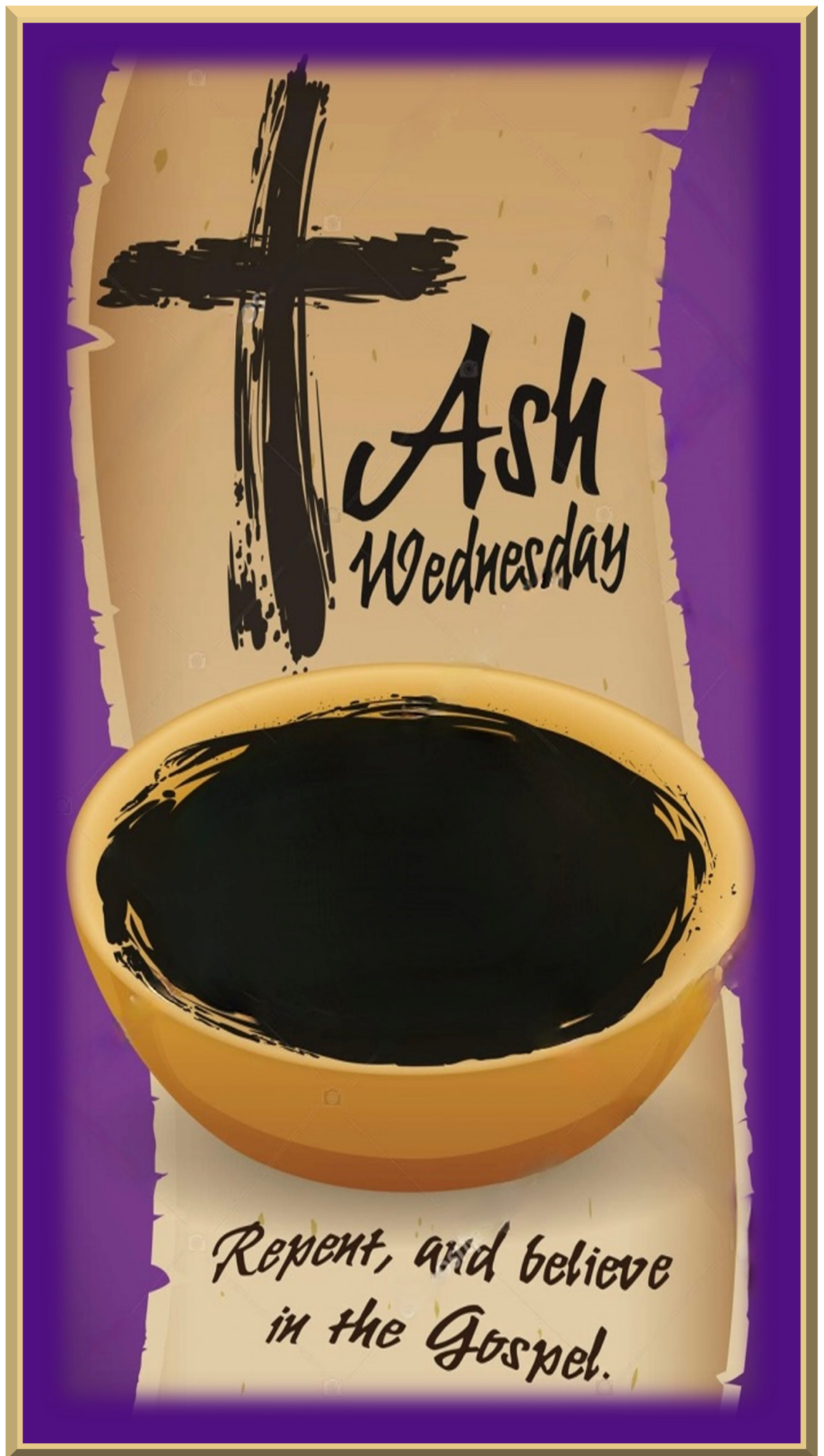
*Adult Bible Class
Sunday School
10:30 am*

**Holy Communion:
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday**

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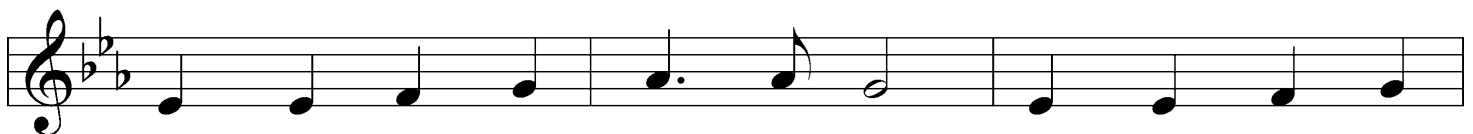
WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors here today. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.

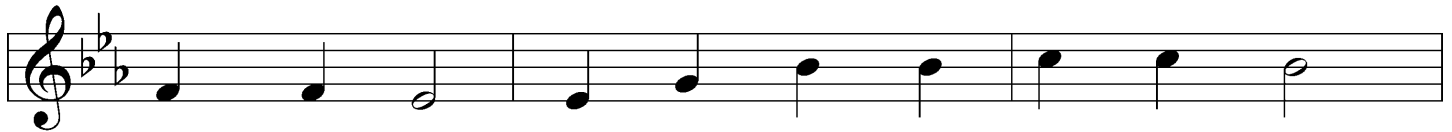
AS WE GATHER Throughout the Bible, ashes have been associated with humility, repentance, and mortality. In Genesis, we read of the great patriarch: “Abraham answered and said, ‘Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes’” (Genesis 18:27). In Job, we read that the long-suffering Job said of his life: “I have become like dust and ashes” (Job 30:19b). Daniel the prophet states: Then I turned my face to the Lord God, seeking Him by prayer and pleas for mercy with fasting and sackcloth and ashes” (Daniel 9:3). Ash Wednesday brings us the opportunity to follow the pattern set by our spiritual ancestors and to begin the observance of “a holy Lent” as we come before the Lord in ashes.

PRELUDE *(A Quiet Time for Prayer and Meditation)*

OPENING HYMN *Chief of Sinners Though I Be* **LSB 611**



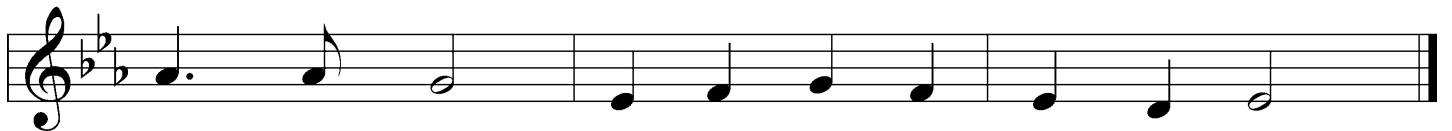
1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
 heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
 wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
 all to me; All my wants to Him are known,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
 All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the



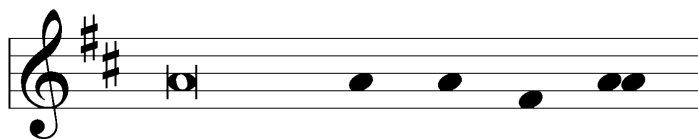
to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
 won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
 walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
 hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.

5 O my Savior, help afford
 By Your Spirit and Your Word!
 When my wayward heart would stray,
 Keep me in the narrow way;
 Grace in time of need supply
 While I live and when I die.

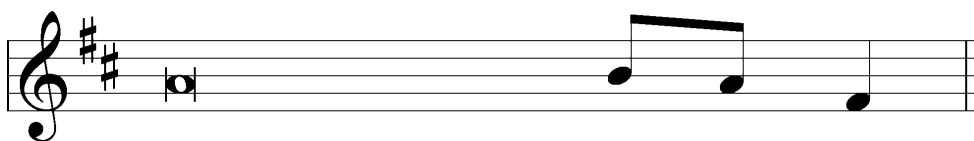
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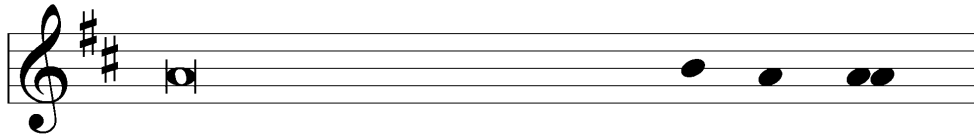
VESPERS



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



G and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



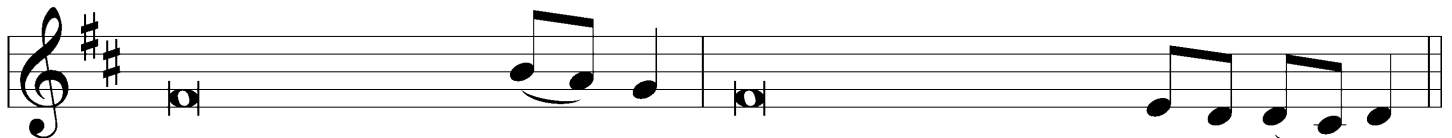
L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



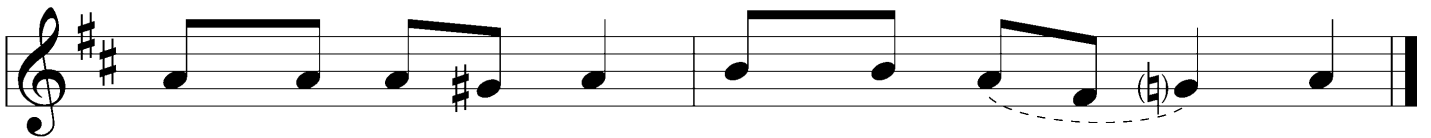
C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



‘Lent: Praise to You, O Christ. Lamb of our sal—va—tion.

PSALM *Psalm 51*

P Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your loving kindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions.

C **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

P For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

- C Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight—that You may be found just when You speak, and blameless when You judge.**
- P Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me.
- C Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, and in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.**
- P Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- C Make me hear joy and gladness, that the bones You have broken may rejoice.**
- P Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.
- C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.**
- P Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.
- C Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit.**
- P Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners shall be converted to You.
- C Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.**
- P O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall show forth Your praise.
- C For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering.**
- P The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart—these, O God, You will not despise.
- C Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; build the walls of Jerusalem.**

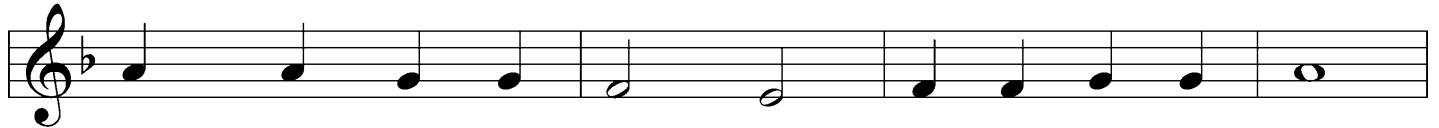
P Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering; then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.

Please sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

Glory Be to Jesus

LSB 433



1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, Who in bit - ter pains
2 Grace and life e - ter - nal In that blood I find;
3 Blest through end - less a - ges Be the pre - cious stream
4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies;



Poured for me the life - blood From His sa - cred veins!
Blest be His com - pas - sion, In - fi - nite - ly kind!
Which from end - less tor - ment Did the world re - deem!
But the blood of Je - sus For our par - don cries.

5 Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts rejoicing
Make their glad reply.

6 Lift we, then, our voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious blood!

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FIRST READING *2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10*

20 Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. 21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

1 We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. 2 For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

3 We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed. 4 But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, 5 in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; 6 by purity, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, 7 by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, 8 by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; 9 as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; 10 as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Luke 22:1-13

1 Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called Passover. 2 And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might kill Him, for they feared the people.

3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. 4 So he went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him to them. 5 And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. 6 So he promised and sought opportunity to betray

Him to them in the absence of the multitude.

7 Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed. 8 And He sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat."

9 So they said to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare?"

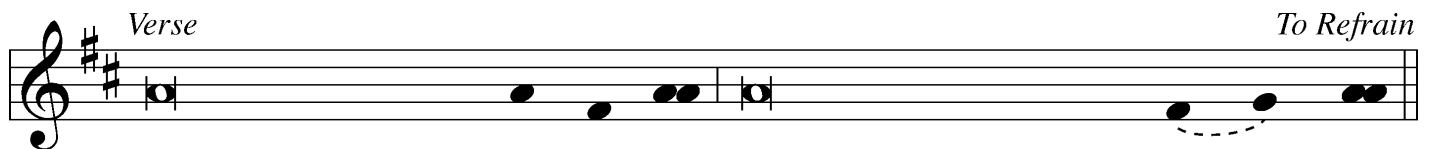
10 And He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house which he enters. 11 Then you shall say to the master of the house, "The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?" ' 12 Then he will show you a large, furnished upper room; there make ready."

13 So they went and found it just as He had said to them, and they prepared the Passover.

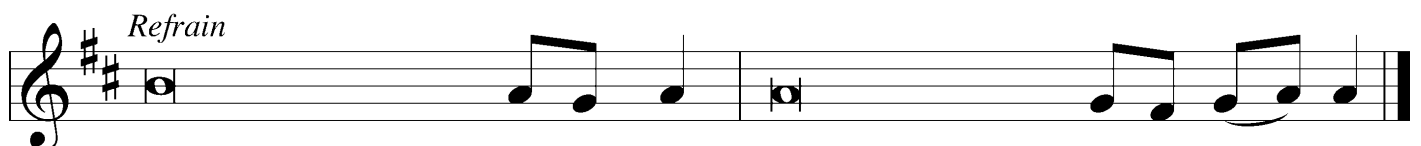
P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORY



- L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are
the God of my sal - va - tion.
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are
the God of my sal - va - tion.



- C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me
from those who rise a - gainst me.

SERMON

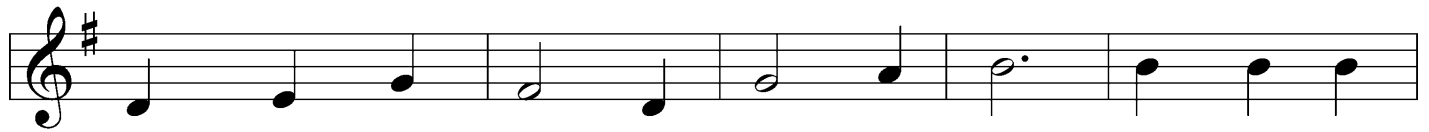
"Owner of the Upper Room"

(Luke 22:7-13)

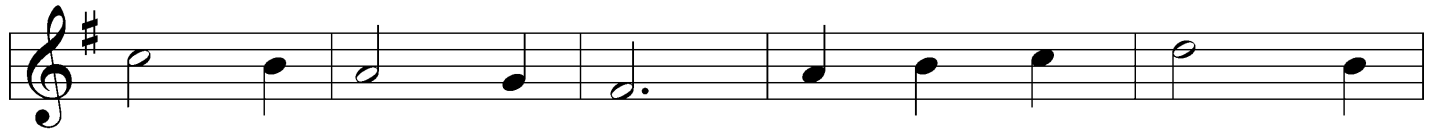
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CANTICLE *Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed*

LSB 560



1 Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed With heal - ing
2 Thou know - est all my griefs and fears, Thy grace a -
3 Wash me and take a - way each stain; Let noth - ing
4 And then for work to do for Thee, Which shall so



gifts for souls dis - tressed, To find in Thee my
bused, my mis - spent years; Yet now to Thee with
of my sin re - main. For cleans - ing, though it
sweet a ser - vice be That an - gels well might



life, my rest, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.
con - trite tears, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.
be through pain, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.
en - vy me, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.

Please sit

OFFERING

ADDRESS FOR IMPOSITION OF ASHES

P Dear brothers and sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ, on this day the Church begins a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope. Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son

and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

PRAYER

P O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. We implore You to have compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, for we acknowledge that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Mercifully pardon our sins that we may obtain the promises You have laid up for those who are repentant; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

P Ashes have been a sign of repentance throughout the centuries. They are reminders of the “sackcloth and ashes” worn by penitents of ages gone by. In the shape of the cross, they announce our reliance on our Lord’s sacrifice on the tree of the cross on our behalf. Placed on our foreheads we are reminded of the sign of the cross which marked us in our baptisms as redeemed by Christ the crucified.

(Those desiring ashes come forward as directed.)

As the pastor makes the sign of the cross with the ashes; He reminds the penitent, “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. You are saved by Christ crucified, the power and wisdom of God.” (1 Corinthians

1:18-25)

The penitent responds, "Amen."

(Silence is kept as the ashes are applied. Those in their seats may meditate on Psalm 51 in the hymnal.)

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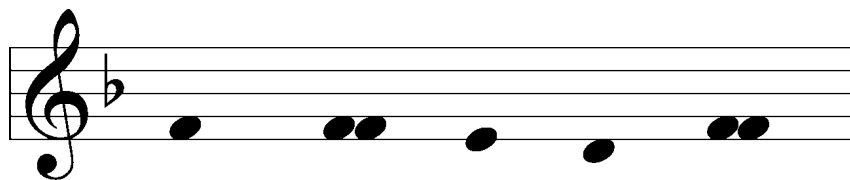
C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

LORD'S PRAYER

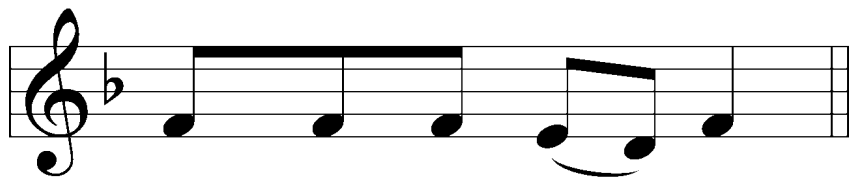
**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**



COLLECTS



P The Lord be with you.



C And with your spir - it.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Almighty God, as we have come to You in ashes with repentant hearts, grant us true repentance and the presence of Your Holy Spirit within us, that our lives may be pure and holy and that at the last we may come to Your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just words, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the word 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; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

BENEDICAMUS

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God

and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.

C A - men.

Please sit

SENDING HYMN

Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing

LSB 421



1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing In Your ho - ly
2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion Fas - ci - nate my
3 If the world my heart en - tic - es With the broad and
4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord,



wounds I find, Ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing Pains of
sin - ful mind, Draw me to Your cross and pas - sion, And new
eas - y road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful vi - ces, Let me
is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in
cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,
weigh the aw - ful load You were will - ing to en - dure.
new life to my soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet



Tempt my treach - 'rous heart to sin, Show the per - il, and from
Let me then be on my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me was
Help me flee all thoughts im - pure And to mas - ter each temp -
Ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; For Your all - a - ton - ing



sin - ning Keep me from its first be - gin - ning.
wound - ed," That the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.
ta - tion, Calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.
pas - sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.

5 O my God, my rock and tower,
Grant that in Your death I trust,
Knowing death has lost its power

Since You crushed it in the dust.
Savior, let Your agony
Ever help and comfort me;
When I die be my protection,
Light and life and resurrection.

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WINTER TEXANS

APPRECIATION LUNCH

***Come and join the fun and Christian fellowship
on Saturday, March 5, 2022 at 12 p.m.***



***Immanuel Lutheran Church
(Corner of Washington Ave. and 3rd St.)
Mercedes, TX***

There will for your enjoyment:

Music

Drinks

Food (bratwurst, sauerkraut, and hot dogs)



***We are asking our Winter Texans to bring a German side
dish they wish to share such as potato salad or dessert.***



***Bring a friend!
See ya'll there!***

Sign-up Sheet placed in the Narthex!

