

**MID-WEEK 3
LENTEN SERVICE**

MARCH 8, 2023

**IMMANUEL
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CHURCH**

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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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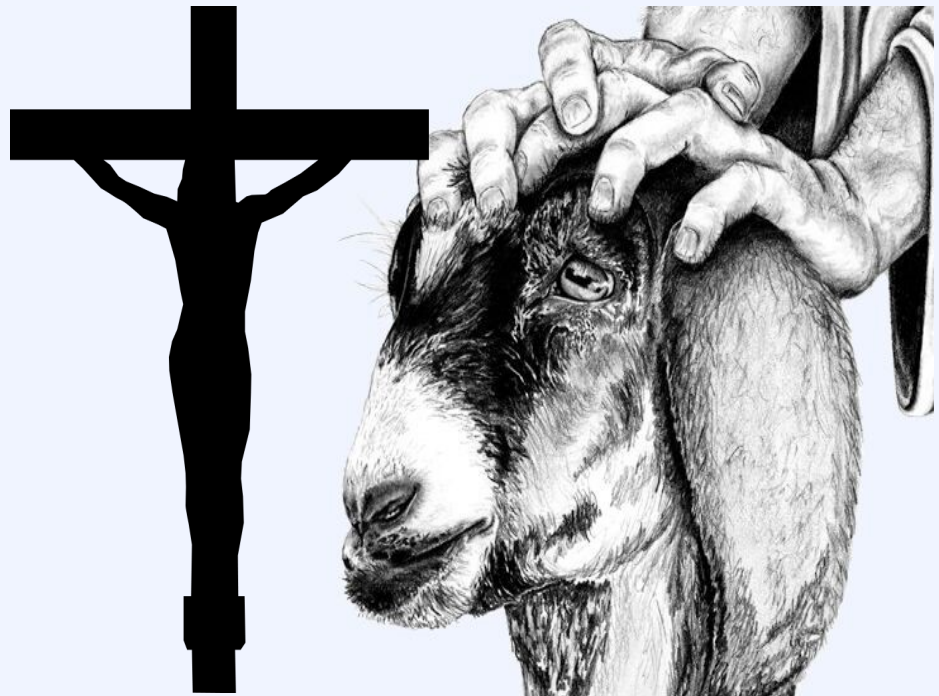
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8:00 am to 12:00 pm

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**“Aaron shall lay both his
hands on the head of the live
goat, confess over it all the
iniquities of the children of
Israel, and all their**



**transgressions, concerning
all their sins, putting them
on the head of the goat, and
shall send it away into the
wilderness by the hand
of a suitable man.”**

Leviticus 16:21

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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 Though we call Jesus King of kings, we often do not focus much on the nature of His kingdom. Today we continue our Lenten midweek series exploring how the kings of Judah are a shadow of Christ, the King of kings, who sits upon the throne of David, His father, forever. Each of the kings in Chronicles points us to Christ, who fulfills all the kingly promises which the kings of Judah were unable to realize in themselves. Today we consider Jehoshaphat, great-great-great-grandson of David. This heir to the throne walked in the ways of his father David and walked in the commandments of the Lord—at least for a while. Then ambition lured his heart away from the Lord. The prideful ambition of our sinful hearts can only be answered by the humble Savior who suffered for our sin, died to sanctify our grave, and rose that death may reign no more.

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

OPENING HYMN *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness* **LSB 563**



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
 deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
 mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
 on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
 these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

5 When from the dust of death I rise
 To claim my mansion in the skies,
 This then shall be my only plea:
 Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,
 Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
 For me, and all Thy hands have made,
 An everlasting ransom paid.

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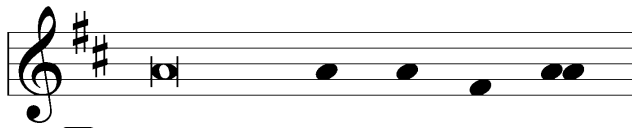
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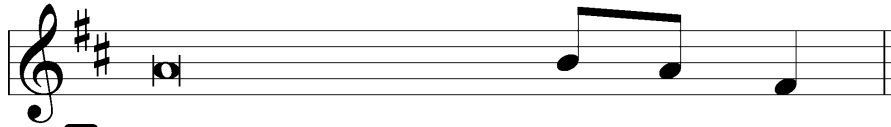
P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

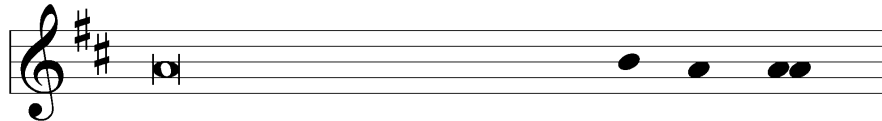
VESPERS



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



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



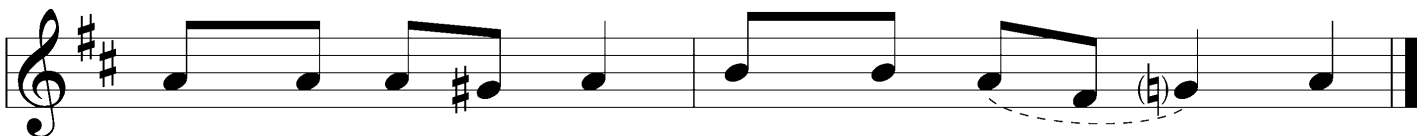
C make haste to help me, O Lord.



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 45; antiphon: v. 17*

P I will make Your name to be remembered in all generations;
therefore the people shall praise You forever and ever.

C **My heart is overflowing with a good theme; I recite my
composition concerning the King; my tongue is the pen of
a ready writer.**

P You are fairer than the sons of men; grace is poured upon Your
lips; therefore God has blessed You forever.

C Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One, with Your glory and Your majesty.

P And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and righteousness; and Your right hand shall teach You awesome things.

C Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the King's enemies; the peoples fall under You.

P Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

C You love righteousness and hate wickedness; therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

P All Your garments are scented with myrrh and aloes and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, by which they have made You glad.

C Kings' daughters are among Your honorable women; at Your right hand stands the queen in gold from Ophir.

P Listen, O daughter, consider and incline your ear; forget your own people also, and your father's house;

C So the King will greatly desire your beauty; because He is your Lord, worship Him.

P And the daughter of Tyre will come with a gift; the rich among the people will seek your favor.

C The royal daughter is all glorious within the palace; her clothing is woven with gold.

P She shall be brought to the King in robes of many colors; the virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be brought to You.

C With gladness and rejoicing they shall be brought; they shall enter the King's palace.

P Instead of Your fathers shall be Your sons, whom You shall make princes in all the earth.

C I will make Your name to be remembered in all generations; therefore the people shall praise You forever and ever.

Please sit

FIRST READING *Leviticus 16:5-22*

5 And he shall take from the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats as a sin offering, and one ram as a burnt offering. 6 “Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house. 7 He shall take the two goats and present them before the Lord at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. 8 Then Aaron shall cast lots for the two goats: one lot for the Lord and the other lot for the scapegoat. 9 And Aaron shall bring the goat on which the Lord’s lot fell, and offer it as a sin offering. 10 But the goat on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive before the Lord, to make atonement upon it, and to let it go as the scapegoat into the wilderness. 11 “And Aaron shall bring the bull of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house, and shall kill the bull as the sin offering which is for himself. 12 Then he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from the altar before the Lord, with his hands full of sweet incense beaten fine, and bring it inside the veil. 13 And he shall put the incense on the fire before the Lord, that the cloud of incense may cover the mercy seat that is on the Testimony, lest he die. 14 He shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle it with his finger on the mercy seat on the east side; and before the mercy seat he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times. 15 “Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering, which is for the people, bring its blood inside the veil, do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mercy seat and before the mercy seat. 16 So he shall make atonement for the Holy Place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions, for all their sins; and so he shall do for the tabernacle of meeting which remains among them in the midst of their uncleanness. 17 There shall be no man in the tabernacle of meeting when he goes in to make atonement in the Holy Place, until he comes out, that he may make atonement for

himself, for his household, and for all the assembly of Israel. 18 And he shall go out to the altar that is before the Lord, and make atonement for it, and shall take some of the blood of the bull and some of the blood of the goat, and put it on the horns of the altar all around. 19 Then he shall sprinkle some of the blood on it with his finger seven times, cleanse it, and consecrate it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel. 20 "And when he has made an end of atoning for the Holy Place, the tabernacle of meeting, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat. 21 Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins, putting them on the head of the goat, and shall send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a suitable man. 22 The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities to an uninhabited land; and he shall release the goat in the wilderness.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Revelation 2:18–28

18 "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write, 'These things says the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass: 19 "I know your works, love, service, faith, and your patience; and as for your works, the last are more than the first. 20 Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols. 21 And I gave her time to repent of her sexual immorality, and she did not repent. 22 Indeed I will cast her into a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of their deeds. 23 I will kill her children with death, and all the churches shall know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts. And I will give to each one of you according to your works. 24 "Now to you I say, and to the rest in Thyatira, as many as do not have this doctrine, who have not known the depths of Satan, as they

say, I will put on you no other burden. 25 But hold fast what you have till I come. 26 And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations—

27 'He shall rule them with a rod of iron; they shall be dashed to pieces like the potter's vessels'—as I also have received from My Father; 28 and I will give him the morning star.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

THIRD READING

Matthew 7:24-27

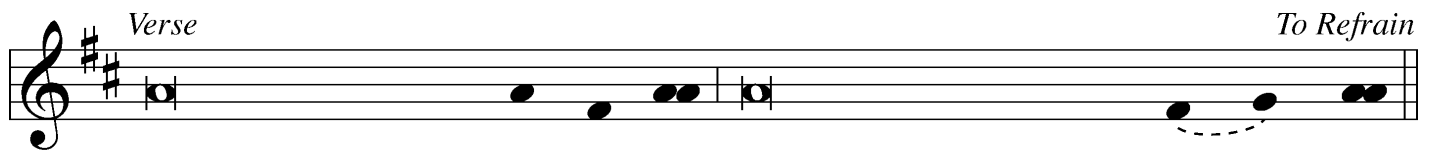
24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: 25 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

26 "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: 27 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

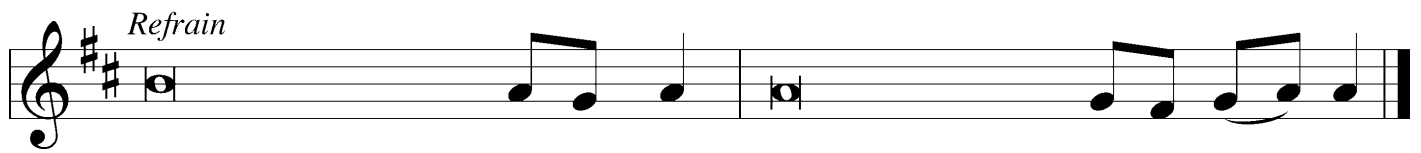
P O Lord, have mercy on us.

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.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ, the Life of All the Living

LSB 420; vs 1-4



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, a
3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might
4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur-round Thee, Treat - ing Thee with



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee,
all be whole; Thou hast suf - fered, sad and lone - ly,
shame - ful scorn And with pierc - ing thorns they crowned Thee.



To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,
O Thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst Thou my
Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of
All dis - grace Thou, Lord, hast borne, That as Thine Thou



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.
God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un - to me se - cur - ing.
might - est own me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me.



Thou-sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
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SERMON

"A Goat for Israel's Sin" (Yom Kippur)

(Leviticus 16:5-22)

OFFERING

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CANTICLE

Christ, the Life of All the Living

LSB 420; vs 5-7



5 Thou hast suf - fered men to bruise Thee, That from pain I
6 Thou hast suf - fered great af - flic - tion And hast borne it
7 Then, for all that wrought my par - don, For Thy sor - rows



might be free; False - ly did Thy foes ac - cuse Thee:
pa - tient - ly, E - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion,
deep and sore, For Thine an - guish in the Gar - den,



Thence I gain se - cu - ri - ty; Com - fort - less Thy
Ful - ly to a - tone for me; Thou didst choose to
I will thank Thee ev - er - more, Thank Thee for Thy



soul did lan - guish Me to com - fort in my an - guish.
be tor - ment - ed That my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
groan - ing, sigh - ing, For Thy bleed - ing and Thy dy - ing,



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
For that last tri - um - phant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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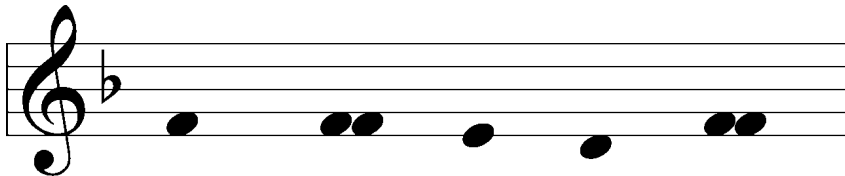


C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

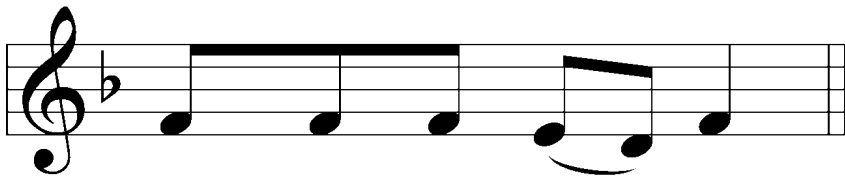
LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Keep us

faithful unto death so that we may receive the crown of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Merciful Father, deliver us from all unholy associations and keep us from surrendering Your truth to the will of the moment, so that we may be steadfast and immovable in Christ amid all temptations and distractions. Guard our hearts against trusting in ourselves and our own accomplishments that we be completely dependent upon Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

P Father of all mercies and God of all consolation, deliver Your people from the afflictions of the flesh so that they might trust in You only and do the work of Your kingdom for the cause of Your glory. Hear us especially for [names]. Keep them in the grasp of Your grace and make us mindful of their plight so that we may support them in their hour of need; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

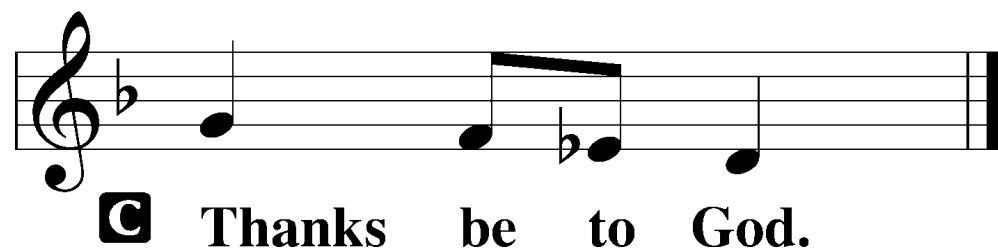
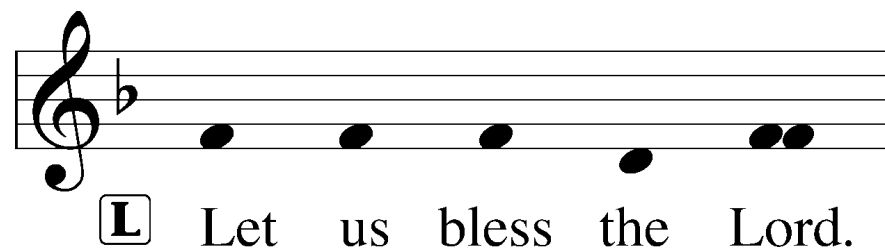
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COLLECT FOR PEACE

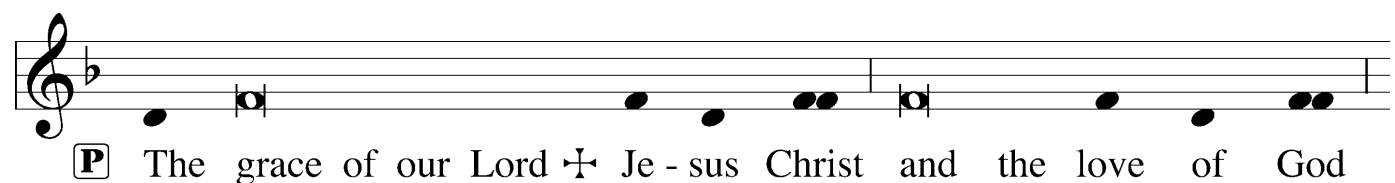
P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICAMUS



BENEDICTION



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

C A - men.

Please sit

SENDING HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

LSB 947

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
 3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a

Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
 trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
 sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

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To cover the cost of the mariachi group on March 25th,
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