

Midweek Lenten Service

March 30, 7:30 PM



The Courtyard: A Place of Renewal

As We Gather

Christ comes to us in the midst of life. He does not wait until we get it all together. He comes to us as we are. This means that He often finds us at our worst. But remember, He does not come to accept us; He comes to forgive. He comes to strengthen our faith and to renew our lives with His love. This evening, as Jesus is tried by religious authorities, Peter is tried before servants in a courtyard. Peter fails and falls. But Jesus remains firm, a foundation for all sinners. He comes to Peter and renews his strength. This evening, we remember the words and work of our Lord. He comes to us in the midst of our weakness and sets us firmly upon the foundation of His love.

HYMN "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

LSB 704



1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my
2 Re - move the pow'r of sin from me And cleanse all
3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly
4 Grant that I on - ly You may love And seek those



heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the
my im - pu - ri - ty That I may have the
I o - bey Your Word. Let what You will be
things which are a - bove Till I be - hold You



light of grace That is - sues from Your ho - ly face.
strength and will Temp - ta - tions of the flesh to still.
my de - sire, And with new life my soul in - spire.
face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through Your grace.

LENTEN SENTENCES

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

People: the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Pastor: Rend your hearts and not your garments.

People: Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Pastor: Jesus said, "If any man would come after Me,

People: let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me."

Pastor: Christ was wounded for our transgressions.

People: He was bruised for our iniquities.

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

People: the name of the Lord is to be praised.

PRAYER

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son to know firsthand the troubles and trials of this mortal life. In our terrors of conscience and fear, our first inclination is to run from You and from being identified with Your name. Give us peace in turmoil and steadfastness of heart under threat so that we may endure in the confession of Your name. Quiet our anxious hearts and renew a right spirit within us that in the day of trouble, we may call upon Your name and have courage. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

READING

Ephesians 2:1-10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—⁶and raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

PSALM

Psalm 51:1-10, responsively by verse

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

People: **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!**

Pastor: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

People: **Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You may be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgment.**

Pastor: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

People: **Behold, You delight in truth in the inward being, and You teach me wisdom in the secret heart.**

Pastor: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

People: **Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that You have broken rejoice.**

Pastor: Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

People: **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit with in me. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; 3 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

READING

Luke 22:54–62

The congregation will read in unison the text in bold type and marked by the symbol ☒

NARRATOR: Then they seized Him and led Him away, bringing Him into the high priest's house, and Peter was following at a distance. And when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them. Then a servant girl, seeing him as he sat in the light and looking closely at him, said,

SERVANT GIRL: This man also was with Him.

NARRATOR: But he denied it, saying,

PETER: Woman, I do not know Him.

NARRATOR: And a little later someone else saw him and said,

COURTYARD PERSON 1: You also are one of them.

NARRATOR: But Peter said,

PETER: Man, I am not.

NARRATOR: And after an interval of about an hour still another insisted, saying,

COURTYARD PERSON 2: Certainly this man also was with Him, for he too is a Galilean.

NARRATOR: But Peter said,

PETER: Man, I do not know what you are talking about.

NARRATOR: And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how He had said to him,

JESUS: Before the rooster crows today, you will deny Me three times.

☒ **And he went out and wept bitterly.**

HYMN**"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"***LSB 423*

1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
 2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -
 3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior
 pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your
 love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,
 thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us
 hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the
 Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your
 From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.
 grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
 hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

SERMON**"The Courtyard: A Place of Renewal" (Luke 22:54-62) *Pastor Scott Henze*****OFFERING**

CONFESSION

Pastor: Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.

People: He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God.

Pastor: Take off the sandals from your feet,

People: for the place where you are standing is holy ground.

Pastor: Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great!

People: She has become a dwelling place for demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable beast.

Pastor: Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips,

People: and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!

Pastor: But in the very place where it was said to them, "You are not my people,"

People: there they will be called "sons of the living God."

Pastor: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

People: You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Pastor: Lord, open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light

People: and from the power of Satan to God,

Pastor: that they may receive forgiveness of sins

People: and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in Christ.

Pastor: O Lord,

People: have mercy upon us and forgive us all our sins.

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

HYMN

"O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

LSB 780 (Repeat)

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer;
When I call an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O
Lord, hear my prayer; Come and lis - ten to me. O

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PRAYER

Pastor: I desire then that in every place the people should pray,

People: **lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling.**

Pastor: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

People: **let my cry come to You.**

Pastor: In the day of trouble I call upon You,

People: **and You answer me.**

Pastor: Save Your people and bless Your heritage!

People: **Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**

Pastor: Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;

People: **listen to my plea for grace.**

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, our God, we acknowledge Your great goodness toward us and praise You for the mercy and grace that our eyes have seen, our ears have heard, and our hearts have known.

People: **We sincerely repent of the sins of this day and those in the past. Pardon our offenses, correct and reform what is lacking in us, and help us to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Inscribe Your Law upon our hearts, and equip us to serve You with holy and blameless lives. May each day remind us of the coming of the night when no one can work.

People: In the emptiness of this present age keep us united by a living faith through the power of Your Holy Spirit with Him who is the resurrection and the life, that we may escape the eternal bitter pains of condemnation.

Pastor: By Your Holy Spirit bless the preaching of Your Word and the administration of Your Sacraments.

People: Preserve these gifts to us and to all Christians. Guard and protect us from all dangers to body and soul.

Pastor: Grant that we may with faithful perseverance receive from You our sorrows as well as our joys, knowing that health and sickness, riches and poverty, and all things come by permission of Your fatherly hand.

People: Keep us this day under Your protective care and preserve us, securely trusting in Your everlasting goodness and love, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

HYMN "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" *LSB 435 vs 1,4*



1 Come to Cal-v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.
deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

Pastor: Help us, O Lord, this night

People: to live without sin.

Pastor: O Lord, have mercy on us.

People: Have mercy on us.

Pastor: O Lord, let Your mercy be on us.

People: As our trust is in You.

Pastor: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

People: And let our cry come to You.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who at this hour found strength and renewal for the completion of Your saving will and purpose on the cross, renew our own hearts and minds in Your truth, that we may walk in Your ways with the comfort of a good heart, a clear conscience, and a lively hope; whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit You live and reign, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit bless and preserve you.

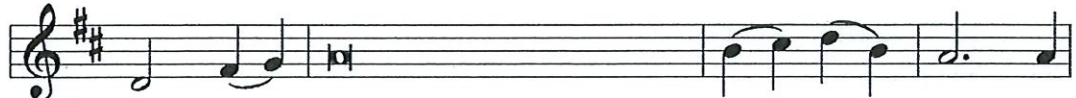
People: Amen.

ANTIPHON

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

NUNC DIMITTIS


LSB 199



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,




which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,




a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

All worshipers are asked to depart in silence.

YOU ARE INVITED!

Saturday, April 9
@10:00 AM



Resurrection Run

Sunday, April 17

7:00 AM Outdoor sunrise service
(Race starts at 7:40 AM)

Registration is open for the **Resurrection Run** on April 17, 2022. Runners can run in person from St. Paul Weston, or run virtually whenever or wherever they would like. Registration cost: \$35.00 (Online Registration) Registration on Easter morning: \$40.00

1. Resurrection Run T-shirt & Finishing Medal (First 200 registrations)
2. 5K run through Tequesta Trace Park
3. <http://stpaulweston.com/rezrun/> to register

Midweek Lenten Worship Wednesday Evenings at 7:30 PM

April 6 - Midweek of Lent 5: "The Trial: A Place of God's Will" (Luke 22:63–23:25)

Holy Week

April 10 - Palm Sunday

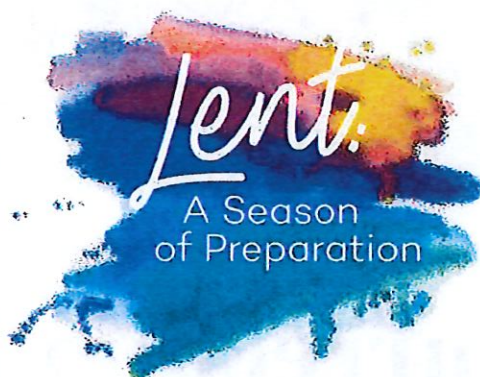
April 14 - Holy Thursday: "The Last Supper: A Place of Forgiveness" (Luke 22:7–23) at 7:30 PM

April 15 - Good Friday: (Two Services)

12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross at Peace Mound Park located at 1300 Three Village Road in Weston.

7:30 PM - "Golgotha: A Place of Simple Love" (Luke 23:44–49) at St. Paul.

April 17 - The Resurrection of Our Lord -Easter Sunday; 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM; 11:00 AM



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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School at 9:45 AM for children & youth

Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM each Sunday