Midweek Lenten Service

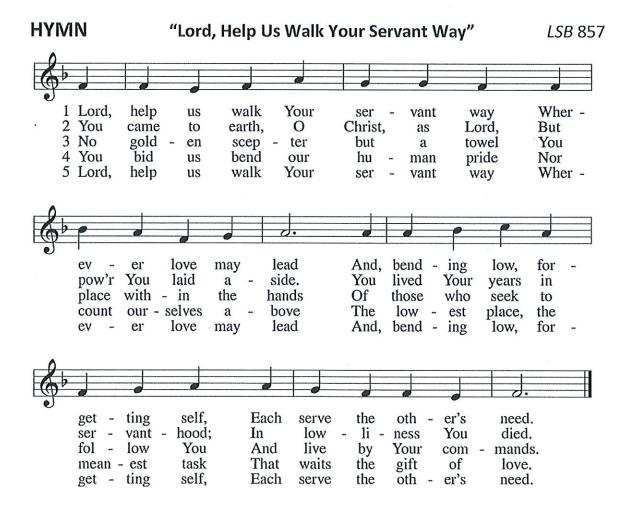
March 9, 7:30 PM

The Upper Room: A Place of Service



As We Gather

Tonight, we gather and listen to Jesus. In the Upper Room with His disciples, He takes an argument about glory and turns it into an invitation for service. Jesus knows that His people often get things wrong. From the Israelites who elevated their worship of God over the God they worshiped, to the disciples who placed their following of the Lord over the Lord they followed, God's people frequently struggle with glory and service. Tonight, Jesus has gathered His disciples for the Passover, and yet, as He looks over the room, He witnesses division and strife. The disciples are broken apart by arguments over greatness and glory. Into this place of broken discipleship, Jesus brings the wholeness of salvation. His body and blood, His betrayal and death, transform the Upper Room from a place of strife over glory to a place of glorious service.



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. Almighty God, You seek not our death or destruction but our life and salvation. Speak Your Word of rescue to our sin-sick hearts and fearful souls. Call us forth from the darkness of our guilt and shame. Bring us into the light of Your presence where Your forgiveness dwells. Restore us to Your people that our wandering ways may end. Direct us to the path Your Son has made that we may walk in it by faith and never

depart from its hope. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People:

Amen.

PSALM

Psalm 123, responsively by verse

Pastor:

To You I lift up my eyes, O You who are enthroned in the heavens!

People:

Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the

Lord our God, till He has mercy up-on us.

Pastor:

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy up- on us, for we have had

more than enough of contempt.

People:

Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud. Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the be-ginning, is now, and will be

forever. Amen.

READING

Luke 22:14-38

The congregation will read in unison the text in bold type and marked by the symbol NARRATOR: And when the hour came, He reclined at table, and the apostles with Him. And He said to them,

JESUS: I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

NARRATOR: And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He said,

JESUS: Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.

NARRATOR: And He took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying,

JESUS: This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me. **NARRATOR:** And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying,

JESUS: This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood. But behold, the hand of him who betrays Me is with Me on the table. For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom He is betrayed!

And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

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NARRATOR: A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. And He said to them,

JESUS: The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves. You are those who have stayed with Me in My trials, and I assign to you, as My Father assigned to Me, a kingdom, that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

JESUS: Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.

NARRATOR: Peter said to Him,

PETER: Lord, I am ready to go with You both to prison and to death.

NARRATOR: Jesus said,

JESUS: I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that

you know Me.

NARRATOR: And He said to them,

JESUS: When I sent you out with no moneybag or knapsack or sandals, did you lack

anything?

NARRATOR: They said,

Nothing.

NARRATOR: He said to them,

JESUS: But now let the one who has a moneybag take it, and likewise a knapsack. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one.

For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in Me: "And He was numbered with the transgressors." For what is written about Me has its fulfillment.

NARRATOR: And they said,

Look, Lord, here are two swords.

NARRATOR: And He said to them,

JESUS: It is enough.

HYMN "Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service" LSB 848 verse 1 & 4



SERMON

"The Upper Room: A Place of Service"

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.

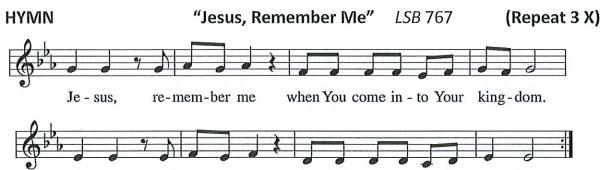
Pastor:

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.



Je - sus. re-mem-ber me

when You come in - to Your king - dom.

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

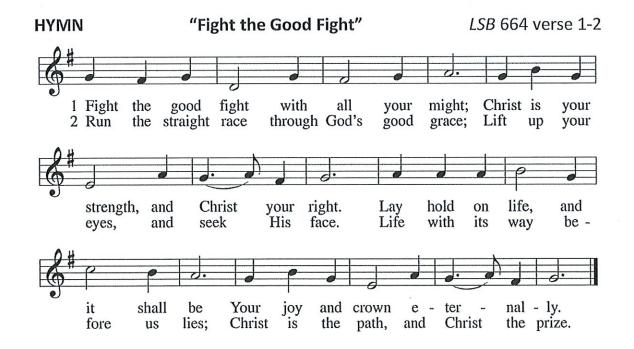
seen, our ears have heard, and our hearts have known.

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 who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now

and forever.



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 gathered with Your disciples, washing their feet and bidding them to serve You and their neighbor, give us the will and desire to serve others in Your name and the courage to serve without fear, that we may learn true humility and godliness by Your example and may so manifest Your saving love to the world; 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 T Son, and the Holy

Spirit bless and preserve you.

People:

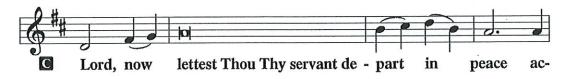
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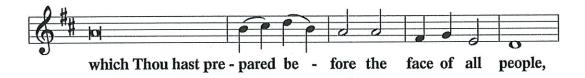
Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

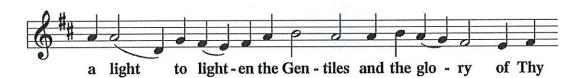
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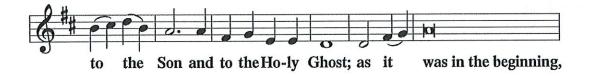














Midweek Lenten Worship Wednesday Evenings at 7:30 PM

March 16 - Midweek of Lent 2: "Gethsemane: A Place of Strength" (Luke 22:39-46)

March 23 - Midweek of Lent 3: "The Betrayal: A Place of Eternal Love" (Luke 22:47–53)

March 30 - Midweek of Lent 4: "The Courtyard: A Place of Renewal" (Luke 22:54–62)

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



Holy Week

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

April 15 - Good Friday: "Golgotha: A Place of Simple Love" (Luke 23:44-49) at 7:30 PM

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

YOU ARE INVITED!

Saturday, April 9 @10:00 AM

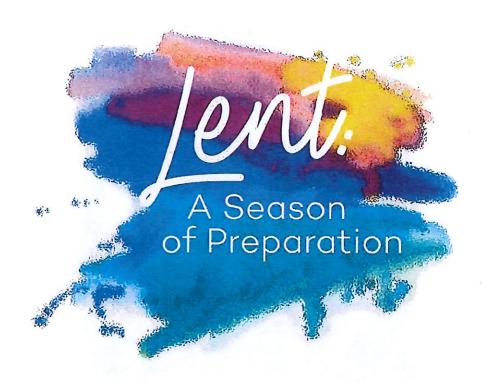


Resurrection Run

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



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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 in person at 10:00 AM each Sunday