

March 4, 2026

Midweek Lenten Worship



TEMPTED? NOT!



NOT BY POWER

PRESERVICE MUSIC

OPENING HYMN

“Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

LSB 421 vs. 1-2

VESPERS

(Psalm 51:15; Psalm 70:1)



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



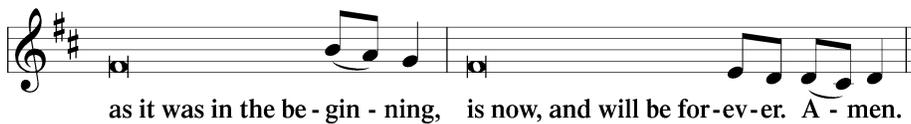
L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



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.

RESPONSE

- P:* The wicked plots against the righteous and gnashes his teeth at him,
C: **but the Lord laughs at the wicked, for he sees that his day is coming.**
P: The wicked draw the sword and bend their bows to bring down the poor and needy, to slay those whose way is upright;
C: **their sword shall enter their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.**
P: The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks justice.
C: **The law of his God is in his heart; his steps do not slip.**
P: The wicked watches for the righteous and seeks to put him to death.
C: **The LORD will not abandon him to his power or let him be condemned when he is brought to trial.**
P: Wait for the LORD and keep his way, and he will exalt you to inherit the land;
C: **you will look on when the wicked are cut off.**
P: The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD;
C: **he is their stronghold in the time of trouble.**
P: The LORD helps them and delivers them;
C: **he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.**
(Psalm 37:12-15, 30-34, 39-40)

(Please be seated)

HYMN

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

LSB 436

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

HYMN

“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”

LSB 438 vs. 1-2

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

(continued)



MEDITATION**“Not By Power”****Luke 22:47-53**

While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss him, ⁴⁸ but Jesus said to him, “Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?” ⁴⁹ And when those who were around him saw what would follow, they said, “Lord, shall we strike with the sword?” ⁵⁰ And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ⁵¹ But Jesus said, “No more of this!” And he touched his ear and healed him. ⁵² Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him, “Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? ⁵³ When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness.”

(Please stand)

PRAYERS**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.

(Matthew 6:9–13)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Luther's Evening Prayer)

C: 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. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN**“Now the Light Has Gone Away”****LSB 887**



**As we continue to observe the somber events leading up to
our Lord's passion,
we will have weekly midweek Lenten gatherings each Wednesday.**

**Join together in the fellowship hall with a light meal at 6:00 pm,
followed by worship in the sanctuary at 6:40 pm.**