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7:00 p.m. in person
& Facebook Live*

The Third Midweek Lenten Worship

THE HILLS OF LENT Week 3: Mount Carmel

Pre-Service Music 🎵

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Opening Hymn 🎵

“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”

--LSB 439 vs. 1 & 3

**1 O dearest Jesus, what law hast Thou broken
That such sharp sentence should on Thee be spoken?
Of what great crime hast Thou to make confession,
What dark transgression?**

**3 Whence come these sorrows, whence this mortal anguish?
It is my sins for which Thou, Lord, must languish;
Yea, all the wrath, the woe, Thou dost inherit,
This I do merit.**

Litany (Cantor)

--CJ Motisi & Don Haeseker

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved, and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself watches over you.

*The Lord is your shade at your right hand, so that the sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.*

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe.

*The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth
and forevermore.*

When I was in trouble, I called to the Lord; I called to the Lord and he answered me.

Deliver me, O Lord, from lying lips and from the deceitful tongue.

What shall be done to you, and what more besides, O you deceitful tongue?

The sharpened arrows of a warrior, along with hot glowing coals.

Too long have I had to live among the enemies of peace.

I am on the side of peace, but when I speak of it, they are for war.

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourse of the Negev. Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Behold, now! Bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, you that stand by night in the house of the Lord. Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the Lord.

The Lord who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

Confession and Absolution

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

C **Most merciful God, we confess to you that we have broken your commandments by our own thoughts, words, and deeds. We have failed to be the people you have called us to be and have placed our trust in false gods of our own creation. We have not loved our brothers and sisters as we ought, and we have not cared for your creation. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, and give us the healing power of your love that we may walk again in your ways and live to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P God is gracious and merciful, and desires that we be made free of the burden of our sins. Through Jesus Christ, who bore the cross for our sake and for the sake of the whole world, there is healing, hope, and life. Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

The Old Testament Reading

Malachi 3:1-4; 4:1-6

Behold, I send my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, till they present right offerings to the Lord. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years ...

For behold, the day comes, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go forth leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts. Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and ordinances that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the land with a curse.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Mark 8:34—9:13

And Jesus called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father and the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power." And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves; and he was transfigured before them, and his garments became

glistening, intensely white, as no fuller on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses; and they were talking to Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is well that we are here; let us make three booths, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” For he did not know what to say, for they were exceedingly afraid. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” And suddenly looking around they no longer saw any one with them but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of man should have risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what the rising from the dead meant. And they asked him, “Why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?” And he said to them, “Elijah does come first to restore all things; and how is it written of the Son of man, that he should suffer many things, and be treated with contempt? But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn

♪ “A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”

--LSB 438 vs. 1 & 3

**1 A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth,
The guilt of sinners bearing
And, laden with the sins of earth,
None else the burden sharing;
Goes patient on, grows weak and faint,
To slaughter led without complaint,
That spotless life to offer,
He bears the stripes, the wounds, the lies,
The mockery, and yet replies,
“All this I gladly suffer.”**

3 “Yes, Father, yes, most willingly
 I’ll bear what You command Me.
 My will conforms to Your decree,
 I’ll do what You have asked Me.”
 O wondrous Love, what have You done!
 The Father offers up His Son,
 Desiring our salvation.
 O Love, how strong You are to save!
 You lay the One into the grave
 Who built the earth’s foundation.

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Sermon: “Mt. Carmel”

--Message delivered through dramatic reading

Offering Time

Responsive Prayer

P Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem.

C **The journey is not easy, Lord. Forgive us our discouragement, and keep before our eyes the triumph of our Savior, Jesus Christ, and all that he endured for us.**

P Everything that is written of the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished.

C **When our way is difficult, come, strengthen and sustain us by your gracious providence made known to us in Jesus Christ who stood fast in his will to keep your Word.**

P For he will be delivered to the Gentiles, and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon.

C **Let not difficulty or disappointment lead us to despair, and even when we seem to fail, restore us by your grace.**

P They will scourge him and kill him.

C **As Christ endured for us, let us endure for him, until your victory at last is manifest.**

P And on the third day he will rise.

C **Raise us at last, when all our journeying is done, to reign with Christ in everlasting joy. Amen.**

The Closing Hymn ♪ “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

--LSB 437 vs. 1 & 5

**1 Alas! And did my Savior bleed,
And did my sov'reign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
For such a worm as I?**

**5 But drops of grief can ne'er repay
The debt of love I owe;
Here, Lord, I give myself away:
'Tis all that I can do.**

Benediction

Silent Prayers

Announcements

Postlude

PARTICIPANTS – March 3, 2021	
Altar Guild: Carolyn McQuillan & Jackie Hanson	
7:00 p.m.	
Musicians/Vocalists	Linda Conrad; <i>organist</i> C-J Motisi; <i>pianist, vocalist</i> Don Haeseker; <i>vocalist</i>
Pastor	Rev. Marty Marks
Readers Theater	Russ and Shannon Coulombe, Tom Sawyer, Pat McKinley, Pastor Marty
Acolyte	Heather Allen
Sound Board	Jen Allen
Videographer	Krista Marks
Usher	Dan Lohmeier

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