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

The Fifth Midweek Lenten Worship
THE HILLS OF LENT Week 5: Mount Olive

Pre-Service Music ♪

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Opening Hymn ♪ “Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

--LSB 421 vs. 1 & 5

1 Jesus, grant that balm and healing
In Your holy wounds I find,
Ev’ry hour that I am feeling
Pains of body and of mind.
Should some evil thought within
Tempt my treach’rous heart to sin,
Show the peril, and from sinning
Keep me from its first beginning.

5 O my God, my rock and tower,
Grant that in Your death I trust,
Knowing death has lost its power
Since You crushed it in the dust.
Savior, let Your agony
Ever help and comfort me;
When I die be my protection,
Light and life and resurrection.

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.

“Greatly have they oppressed me since my youth,” let Israel now say;

“Greatly have they oppressed me since my youth, but they have not prevailed against me!”

The plowmen plowed upon my back and made their furrows long.

The Lord, the Righteous One, has cut the cords of the wicked.

Let them be put to shame and thrown back, all those who are enemies of Zion.

Let them be like grass upon the housetops, which withers before it can be plucked, which does not fill the hand of the reaper, nor the bosom of him who binds the sheaves; so that those who go by say not so much as, “The Lord prosper you. We wish you well in the name of the Lord!”

Out of depths have I called to you, O Lord;

Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy; with him there is plenteous redemption,

and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

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 First Reading

Hebrews 2:10-18

It was only right that God, who creates and preserves all things, should make Jesus perfect through suffering, in order to bring many sons to share his glory. For Jesus is the one who leads them to salvation. He purifies people from their sins, and both he and those who are made pure all have the same Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them his brothers. He says to God, “I will tell my brothers what you have done; I will praise you in their meeting.” He also says, “I will put my trust in God.” And he also says, “Here I am with the children that God has given me.” Since the children, as he calls them, are people of flesh and blood, Jesus himself became like them and shared their human nature. He did this so that through his death he might destroy the devil, who has power over death, and in this he set free those who were slaves all their lives because of their fear of death. For it is clear that it is not the angels that he helps. Instead, as the scripture says, “He helps the descendants of Abraham.” This means that he had to become like his brothers in every way, in order to be their faithful and merciful high priest in his service to God, so that the people’s sins would be forgiven. And now he can help those who are tempted, because he himself was tempted and suffered.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 24:3-14

As [Jesus] sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the close of the age?” And Jesus answered them, “Take heed that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that you are not alarmed; for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places; all this is but the beginning of the birth pangs. “Then they will deliver you up to tribulation, and put you to death; and you will be hated by all nations for my name’s sake. And then many will fall away, and betray one another, and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because wickedness is multiplied, most men’s love will grow cold. But he who endures to the end will be saved. “And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, as a testimony to all nations; and then the end will come.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn ♪ “O Christ, You Walked the Road”

--LSB 424 vs. 1-3

**1 O Christ, You walked the road
Our wand’ring feet must go.
You faced with us temptation’s pow’r
And fought our ancient foe.**

**2 No bread of earth alone
Can fill our hung’ring hearts.
Lord, help us seek Your living Word,
The food Your grace imparts.**

**3 No blinding sign we ask,
No wonder from above.
Lord, help us place our trust alone
In Your unswerving love.**

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Sermon: "Mount Olive"

--Message delivered through dramatic reading

Offering

Responsive Prayer

P Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem.

C **O God, we follow where you lead, trusting in your gracious love for us. Your will be done.**

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

C **O God, we hear the Word of your eternal promises and know that in your Son they all have been fulfilled for us. Your will be done.**

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

C **O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ forgive us of those times when we have betrayed you by not living as your children. Your will be done.**

P They will scourge him and kill him.

C **O God, give us the faith to accept the grace your Holy Spirit offers us in Jesus Christ, that we may be your children once again. Your will be done.**

P And on the third day he will rise.

C **O God, raise us with him to newness of life. Your will be done. Amen.**

The 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

The Closing Hymn ♪ “Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”

--LSB 423 vs. 1 & 2

**1 Jesus, refuge of the weary,
Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life’s desert dreary,
Savior from the world above:
Often have Your eyes, offended,
Gazed upon the sinner’s fall;
Yet upon the cross extended,
You have borne the pain of all.**

**2 Do we pass that cross unheeding,
Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see You wounded, bleeding,
See Your thorn-encircled brow?
Yet Your sinless death has brought us
Life eternal, peace, and rest;
Only what Your grace has taught us
Calms the sinner’s deep distress.**

**Benediction
Silent Prayers
Announcements
Postlude**

| PARTICIPANTS – March 17, 2021 | |
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| 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 Haesecker; <i>vocalist</i> |
| Pastor | Rev. Marty Marks |
| Readers Theater | Russ Coulombe, Tom Sawyer, Narrator: Pastor Marty |
| Acolyte | Chloe Marks/ Heather Allen |
| Sound Board | Jen Allen |
| Videographer | Krista Marks |
| Usher | Dan Lohmeier |

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