

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Appointed

March 21 & 22, 2015

5:00pm & 8:00am

### AS WE GATHER

Like James and John, there are times when we would selfishly like Jesus to do whatever we ask of Him. Our old, sinful selves still sometimes want Jesus to be like a genie who will give us three wishes rather than a Lord and Savior who has forgiven our sins. As Lent draws to a close and we approach Holy Week, today's Readings remind us that as Jesus was appointed to be the Servant of all, giving His life as a ransom for many, so He has appointed us to serve others with the forgiveness of sins and the love He has for us. Today, God calls us to reflect on the ways we have served well and faithfully, and also to consider if there are new ways to which He is calling us to serve our neighbor in the Spirit of our Servant-Lord.

### WELCOME

#### MINISTRY MOMENT - Board of Evangelism

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you:  
Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought,  
but rather think of yourself with sober judgment,  
in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.  
(Romans 12:3, NIV)

### FELLOWSHIP GREETING

#### ✠ PREPARATION ✠

#### OPENING HYMN #537

#### "Beautiful Savior"

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shine purer Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration Now and forever-more be Thine!

(Rise)

#### OPENING SENTENCES *Mark 10:44–45*

Pastor: Whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.

**People: For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,**

Pastor: and to give His life as a ransom for many.

#### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalms 51:4; Jeremiah 31:34*

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father. Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean.

**People: Against you, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.**

Pastor: We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

**People: Against you, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.**

Pastor: We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

**People: Against you, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.**

Pastor: We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment.

**People: Against you, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.**

Pastor: For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: "No longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

#### SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Father in heaven, you once appointed Melchizedek to serve Abram as a foretaste of how your only Son came to serve us by giving His life for us on the cross. Forgiven of our sins through His blood, help us each day to serve rather than be served; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

(Be seated)

✠ **WORD** ✠

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Jeremiah 31:31–34* (“I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel.”) “The time is coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the LORD. “This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time,” declares the LORD. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the LORD. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

**EPISTLE** *Hebrews 5:1–10* (“The source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.”)

Every high priest is selected from among men and is appointed to represent them in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people. No one takes this honor upon himself; he must be called by God, just as Aaron was. So Christ also did not take upon himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, “You are my Son; today I have become your Father.” And he says in another place, “You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.” During the days of Jesus’ life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

**5:00 CHOIR ANTHEM**

*“Immortal Invisible”* Arr. by Robert Sterling

(Rise)

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Mark 10:32–45* (“The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve.”) They were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished, while those who followed were afraid. Again he took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to him. “We are going up to Jerusalem,” he said, “and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles, who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise.” Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.” “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked. They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.” “You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?” “We can,” they answered. Jesus said to them, “You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.” When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

(Be seated)

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SERMON HYMN #704** “Renew Me, O Eternal Light”

Renew me, O eternal Light, And let my heart and soul be bright,  
Illumined with the light of grace That issues from your holy face.

Remove the pow’r of sin from me And cleanse all my impurity  
That I may have the strength and will Temptations of the flesh to still.

Create in me a new heart, Lord, That gladly I obey your Word.  
Let what you will be my desire, And with new life my soul inspire.

Grant that I only you may love And seek those things which are above  
Till I behold you face to face, O Light eternal, through your grace.

**SERMON**

**“King For A Day”**

**Mark 10:32-45**

(Rise)

**NICENE CREED** *(found on the inside back cove of the hymnal)*

(Be seated)

**OFFERINGS** As your offering is collected, ***please sign our attendance book*** located at the end of the pew. If you are a visitor, please leave your address and phone. After you are finished, please pass the book along to others in your pew, and return the book to the center aisle. You may check the register to see the names of those to greet after the service.

(Rise)

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Let us pray for the Church of God, for all His people, and for all people in their time of need. Lord of the Church, protect your flock from the attacks of Satan; use her to proclaim your Son, who is the source of eternal salvation for all who trust and follow.

**People: Enable us to do your will; and lead us to say with Mary, "I am the servant of the Lord, let it be according to your Word."**

Pastor: Gracious Father, you have baptized us into your Son and so we are members of His body. Because we have been sanctified through the sacrificial offering of His body once for all, teach us to say with our Savior, "I have come to do your will, O God."

**People: Grant us humble faith that offers our lives as servants of you and all people, knowing that even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many.**

Pastor: Lord of the nations, grant your guidance and care to those who rule us as your representatives, especially Barack, our president; our Congress and Supreme Court. Bless also Scott, our governor; our legislators, judges; and all whom you have given authority over us.

**People: Lead them to govern according to your will for the benefit and protection of all people.**

Pastor: God of compassion and mercy, with your promises comfort those who suffer illness, affliction, and distress. We remember especially Edith, Ruth, Dorothy, Pat, Mark, Ginger, Lois, Sarah, Helen, Sharon, Charles, Shirley, Dennis, Marion, Jack, Virginia, Dolores, Gretchen, and Richard. Grant them patience, strengthen them with faith and deliver them from their afflictions.

**People: Free those who are in bondage, heal those who are sick and provide for all who are in need. Grant to all of us endurance, patience and trust in every time of suffering.**

Pastor: Eternal Lord, we give you praise and thanks for the hope held out to us in the gospel. Bless the hearts of those who grieve the passing of loved ones, especially David and Diane upon the death of their daughter, Nancy. Bless the memories of those who miss departed loved ones, especially Marilyn and Cindy as they remember Del, and Jean as she remembers Al.

**People: In the face of this world filled with sin and death, grants us hearts filled with the hope of life everlasting through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Almighty God, because it is your will that all be saved, turn the hearts of those who do not know you by faith. Show them their sin, bring them to you in repentance, and grant them a confident trust that your mercy is found in the cross of Jesus Christ.

**People: Bless each of us to open our mouths to share the faith and give us courage to invite others to join us as part of your family. Help us to welcome with open arms the new members who have recently joined our fellowship.**

Pastor: Lord of the Church, you provide servants to preach and teach. Thank you for pastors and teachers. Bless the Call Committee as they begin again the search for our next principal.

**People: Grant them wisdom and guidance that we may be led to call the person you have chosen.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, you formed and still preserve your creation, providing for the needs of all people. Bless the fruits of the earth, the arts, and all useful industry and commerce among us. Prosper those who labor, provide employment for those without jobs and defend those who serve in the armed forces.

**People: Preserve us all from selfishness, fill us with the joy of giving, and enable us to use Your gifts for the good of all.**

Pastor: All these prayers and whatever else is on the hearts of your people we lift before your throne of grace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

### AGNUS DEI

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Be seated)

**DISTRIBUTION** Those guests who desire to commune who are members of another LCMS congregation may do so; if you are coming from another church background, please see the pastor or an elder first.

### HYMN #637 "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

Draw near and take the body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy blood for you out-poured;  
Offered was He for greatest and for least,  
Himself the victim and himself the priest.

He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
To all believers life eternal yields;  
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow  
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

### HYMN #433 "Glory Be to Jesus"

Glory be to Jesus, Who in bitter pains  
Poured for me the life blood From His sacred veins!

Grace and life eternal In that blood I find;  
Blest be His compassion, Infinitely kind!

Blest through endless ages Be the precious stream  
Which from endless torment Did the world redeem!

Abel's blood for vengeance Pleaded to the skies;  
But the blood of Jesus For our pardon cries.

Oft as earth exulting Wafts its praise on high,  
Angel hosts rejoicing Make their glad reply.

Lift we, the, our voices, Swell the mighty flood;  
Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood!

### HYMN #680 "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise  
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread  
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup  
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be  
Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee  
Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry  
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest  
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be  
Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war  
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise  
Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways  
Thine the glory Thine the story Then the welcome to the least  
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

Thine the glory in the night No more dying only light  
Thine the river Thine the tree Then the Lamb eternally  
Then the holy holy holy Celebration jubilee  
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

### COMMON DISMISSAL

(Rise)

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore you that of your mercy you would strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: As Melchizedek ministered to Abram, so Jesus has ministered to you, especially in times of trial and doubt. People of God, you are called to go into the world not to be served, but to serve in the name of Jesus. The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN #857 “Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way”**

Lord, help us walk Your servant way  
Wherever love may lead  
And, bending low, forgetting self,  
Each serve the other’s need.

You came to earth, O Christ, as Lord,  
But pow’r You laid aside.  
You lived Your years in servant-hood;  
In lowliness You died.

No golden scepter but a towel  
You place within the hands  
Of those who seek to follow You  
and live by Your commands.

You bid us bend our human pride  
Nor count ourselves above  
The lowest place, the meanest task  
That waits the gift of love.

Lord, help us walk Your servant way  
Wherever love may lead  
And bending low, forgetting self,  
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**FRIENDSHIP WEEKEND**

April 11-12, 2015

What a great opportunity to serve our Lord.  
To invite family, friends, neighbors to the house of the Lord.  
Sharing God's love, forgiveness, salvation for ALL.  
How awesome it would be if each member invited someone.  
Let that be our goal for this is our opportunity, to serve our Lord.

Therefore, mark your calendar,

**FRIENDSHIP WEEKEND**

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Remember to bring your guest; invitations are available.  
Don't forget to have them pick up their special welcome gift!

