

A Midweek Journey in

LENT



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we persevere to make heaven
bigger tomorrow
by sharing Jesus on earth today.*

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CrossWORDS

Week Six: Finished

PRELUDE

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

C.S. Lang

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

LSB 436 v. 1-3



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,
life ar - rained; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!
at His feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,



Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His
Oh, the pangs His soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete. “It is fin - ished!”



griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.
hear Him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.

INVOCATION Mt 28:19

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

People:  Amen.

APPROACHING THE WORD

Pastor: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

People: “It is finished!”

Pastor: The word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God.

People: "It is finished!"

Pastor: "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

People: "It is finished!"

Pastor: The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

People: "It is finished!"

Pastor: "The word that goes forth from my mouth shall not return to me empty," says the Lord. "It shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it."

People: "It is finished!"

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *LSB 447*

Pastor: Jesus, in Your dying woes, even while Your lifeblood flows, craving pardon for Your foes: Hear us, holy Jesus.

People: Savior, for our pardon sue when our sins Your pangs renew, for we know not what we do: Hear us, holy Jesus.

Pastor: Oh, may we, who mercy need, be like You in heart and deed, when with wrong our spirits bleed: Hear us, holy Jesus.

People: May we in our guilt and shame still Your love and mercy claim, calling humbly on Your name: Hear us, holy Jesus.

Pastor: May we in Your sorrows share, for Your sake all peril dare, and enjoy Your tender care: Hear us, holy Jesus.

People: May we all Your loved ones be, all one holy family, loving, since Your love we see: Hear us, holy Jesus.

Pastor: When we seem in vain to pray and our hope seems far away, in the darkness be our stay: Hear us, holy Jesus.

People: Though no Father seem to hear, though no light our spirits cheer, may we know that God is near: Hear us, holy Jesus.

Pastor: May we thirst Your love to know. Lead us in our sin and woe where the healing waters flow: Hear us, holy Jesus.

People: Jesus, all our ransom paid, all Your Father's will obeyed; by Your sufferings perfect made: Hear us, holy Jesus.

Pastor: Save us in our soul's distress; Be our help to cheer and bless while we grow in holiness: Hear us, holy Jesus.

People: Brighten all our heav'nward way with an ever holier ray till we pass to perfect day: Hear us, holy Jesus.

Pastor: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People:  Amen.

THE SALUTATION 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People:



☐ And with thy spir - it.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty God, you are the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. Your Word cried “Light!” into darkest chaos as your Spirit brooded over the turbulent waters. Pray, bring to completion in all of your children that which you began in the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:  Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1-3; 1:26-2:3

(The Lord finished His work)

¹ In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³ And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light...

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” ²⁹ And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹ Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ² And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

Pastor: O Lord, have mercy on us.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY *from Psalm 36*

Pastor: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

People: **Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O Lord.**

Pastor: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

People: **The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

Pastor: They feast on the abundance of your house,

People: **and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

Pastor: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

People: **Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart!**

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:2-6

(He will bring it to completion)

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶ And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Pastor: O Lord, have mercy on us.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“Lord, Keep Us”
“Glory Be to Jesus”

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HOLY GOSPEL

John 19:28-30

(Finished.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the nineteenth chapter.
People: *(Spoken)* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

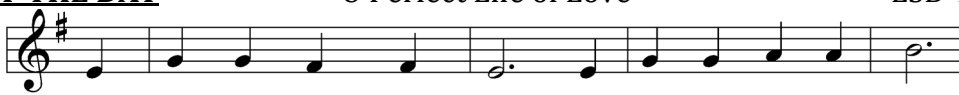
²⁸ After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." ²⁹ A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. ³⁰ When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Pastor: O Lord, have mercy on us.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

"O Perfect Life of Love"

LSB 452 v. 1-5



1 O per - fect life of love! All, all, is fin - ished now,
2 No work is left un - done Of all the Fa - ther willed;
3 No pain that we can share But He has felt its smart;
4 And on His thorn - crowned head And on His sin - less soul
5 In per - fect love He dies; For me He dies, for me.



All that He left His throne a - bove To do for us be - low.
His toil, His sor - rows, one by one, The Scrip - tures have ful - filled.
All forms of hu - man grief and care Have pierced that ten - der heart.
Our sins in all their guilt were laid That He might make us whole.
O all - a - ton - ing Sac - ri - fice, I cling by faith to Thee.

SERMON

FINISHED

John 19:30

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LENTEN SERIES HYMN

LSB 574 v. 6



6 At one with Him, I can - not die, My soul is



pur - chased by His blood; My life is hid with Christ on



high, With Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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VOLUNTARY

“O Perfect Life of Love”

Matthew Machermer

PRAYER

Pastor: God is faithful. God’s Holy Spirit will finish in us what was begun in Jesus Christ. Thus confident, let us join in fervent prayer:

People: **Complete what you have begun in us, O God.**

Pastor: That all who are called to follow Christ may continue to heed the Great Commission, engaged in making disciples of all nations, that people everywhere may believe and be saved, let us join in fervent prayer:

People: **Complete what you have begun in us, O God.**

Pastor: That all the world, with all its resources and opportunities, may show forth the praise of its generous Creator, let us join in fervent prayer:

People: **Complete what you have begun in us, O God.**

Pastor: That all who suffer in any way may find a quick and blessed end to what they must endure, let us join in fervent prayer:

People: **Complete what you have begun in us, O God.**

Pastor: That life on earth may find purpose in the love of Christ, and that life eternal, beyond the bonds of death, may open wide to welcome all who trust in Jesus Christ, let us join in fervent prayer:

People: **Complete what you have begun in us, O God. Amen.**

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.

BENEDICTION *Num. 6:24-26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The ✠ Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

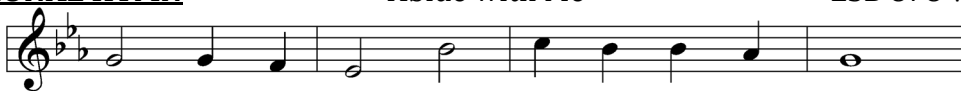
People: 

■ A-men, a-men, a - men.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Abide with Me"

LSB 878 v. 1-2, 4, 6



1 A - bid e with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
2 I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
4 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
6 Hold Thou Thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bid e.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
Earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?
Change and de - cay in all a - round I see;
Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



Help of the help - less, O a - bid e with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bid e with me.
O Thou who chang - est not, a - bid e with me.
In life, in death, O Lord, a - bid e with me.

POSTLUDE

"Eventide"

David M. Cherwien

HOLY WEEK AT HISTORIC TRINITY

Palm Sunday.	April 2 @ 9am and 10:30am
Maundy Thursday.	April 6 @ 7pm
Good Friday Tre-Ore.	April 7 @ 12pm. 12:45pm. 1:30pm
Good Friday Tenebrae.	April 7 @ 7pm
Easter Sunday.	April 9 @ 7:30am. 9am. 11am.