Redeemer Lutheran Church

9:00 a.m. Sunday, March 21, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Lent

PRELUDE

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded" – Bach "My Song is Love Unknown" - Burkhardt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

LSB #435 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the fall; Here a pure and healing fountain Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.

Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within; From infection and uncleanness, From the leprosy of sin, Wash your robes and make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.

They that drink shall live forever; 'Tis a soul-renewing flood. God is faithful; God will never Break His covenant of blood, Signed when our Redeemer died, Sealed when He was glorified.

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FIRST READING - Jeremiah 31:31-34

"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."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

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."

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: In humility and honesty, let us gather before our gracious God to be forgiven our

sins.

People: God of Servant Leadership, so often we fight over and complain about the

silliest of things: (Mark 10:34-45) who's more important, who's more influential, who's more worthy of love and respect. Forgive us for the moments when we've lost sight of what's truly important. Forgive us for the moments when we've given in to our selfish natures. Forgive us for the moments when we've turned Your Gospel into our own self-promotion. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our confession.

Pastor: Friends in Christ, God will not let our sin separate us from His love! No amount of

bickering or selfishness can remove the fact that we are saved through Jesus Christ! God spoke through Jeremiah: "I will forgive their wickedness and will

remember their sins no more."

People: Thank You Lord! Our sins they are many, Your mercy is more! Amen!

MUSIC MINISTRY "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted"

SERMON

HYMN "What Wondrous Love Is This"

LSB #543

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, When I was sinking down, sinking down, When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb,
Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on:
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

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OFFERTORY

Create in me a clean heart, O God.
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation
And uphold me with Thy free Spirit. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life

verlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: ...Lord, in Your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

BENEDICTION

HYMN "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

LSB 436 (vv 1, 2, 3, 5)

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

Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity, grace unknown, And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide And shut his glories in When God, the mighty maker, died For His own creatures' sin.

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.

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DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE – "Ciacona in E Minor" - Buxtehude

Preacher: Pastor Steve Ferber Music: Dan Oie, Tim Johnson Elder: Stephen Kaminski Lay Reader: Hank Radintz

Ushers and Greeters: Bob Solstad, Bob Past, Casey English

Altar Guild: Sue Past and Mary Sund