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Emanuel Lutheran Church is a united and growing family of Christians joyfully dedicated to furthering God's Kingdom.

### WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Rev. David O. Stecker

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Acolytes: Hudson Rorick, Brayden Swygart (7:00)

Elder: Dennis Herman (10:30)

Wade Benjamin (7:00)

Ushers: Group 2 (Ben Koeneman) (7:00)

# † The Passion of Christ from The Perspective of Peter †

*Service of Prayer and Preaching ~ Page 260*

**WELCOME** to those visiting us this Lord's Day. It is our joy to have you worshipping with us. We invite you to come again and worship the Lord.

**AS WE GATHER** ~ Lord Jesus, it was out of love for me that You endured Your suffering and death. Thank You for that love. I confess that I daily sin against You and need Your forgiveness. Send Your Holy Spirit to help me recognize my sins and turn from them in repentance so that my life can better please You. Have mercy upon me. In Your precious name I pray. Amen.

**PRELUDE** *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain* (Burkhardt)

## RINGING OF THE BELLS

♪ **OPENING HYMN** ↓ *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain* **LSB 435**

**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.**

**Come in sorrow and contrition, wounded, impotent, and blind;  
Here the guilty, free remission, here the troubled, peace may find.  
Health this fountain will restore; they that drink shall thirst no more.**

**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.**

**OPENING VERSICLES** ~ Page 260 ↑

Pastor: This is the day which the Lord has made;

**People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.** (Psalm 118:24)

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**People: the name of the Lord is to be praised.** (Psalm 113:3)

Pastor: Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,

**People: slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.** (Joel 2:13)

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Pastor: Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,  
**People: let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.** (Matthew 16:24)

Pastor: Christ was wounded for our transgressions.  
**People: He was bruised for our iniquities.** (Isaiah 53:5)

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**People: the name of the Lord is to be praised.** (Psalm 113:3)

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE** ~ Page 261-262 ↑ (Isaiah 12:2b-6)  
*Please turn to Page 261-262 in the front part of your hymnal for music.*

*Refrain:* **The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.**

**With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.**

**And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,  
Make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted."**

*Refrain*

**Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;**

**Let this be made known in all the earth.**

**Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion,**

**For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

*Refrain*

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Refrain*

## READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

**FIRST READING** ↓ *Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ* **Matthew 16:13-23 (ESV)**

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup>And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall

not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” <sup>20</sup>Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

*Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection*

<sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING** ↑ *Peter Denies Jesus* **Matthew 26:69-75 (ESV)**

<sup>69</sup>Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came up to him and said, “You also were with Jesus the Galilean.” <sup>70</sup>But he denied it before them all, saying, “I do not know what you mean.” <sup>71</sup>And when he went out to the entrance, another servant girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, “This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.” <sup>72</sup>And again he denied it with an oath: “I do not know the man.” <sup>73</sup>After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, “Certainly you too are one of them, for your accent betrays you.” <sup>74</sup>Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, “I do not know the man.” And immediately the rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup>And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, “Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times.” And he went out and wept bitterly.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORY ~ Page 263** ↑ (1 John 2:1; [Mark 10:33]; Psalm 32:1)

Pastor: We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

**People: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

Pastor: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**People: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

Pastor: We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

**People: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

**CATECHISM ~ Page 264** ↑ **Ten Commandments**

(Exodus 20:2-17)

**You shall have no other gods.**

**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

**Honor your father and your mother.**

**You shall not murder.**

**You shall not commit adultery.**

**You shall not steal.**

**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

**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 † everlasting. 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.**

(Matthew 6:9-13)

♪ **HYMN OF THE DAY** ↓ *Jesus, I Will Ponder Now* **LSB 440**

**Jesus, I will ponder now on Your holy passion;**

**With Your Spirit me endow for such meditation.**

**Grant that I in love and faith may the image cherish**

**Of Your suff'ring, pain, and death that I may not perish.**

**Make me see Your great distress, anguish, and affliction,**

**Bonds and stripes and wretchedness and Your crucifixion:**

**Make me see how scourge and rod, spear and nails did wound You,  
How for them You died, O God, who with thorns had crowned You.**

**Yet, O Lord, not thus alone make me see Your passion,  
But its cause to me make known and its termination.  
Ah! I also and my sin wrought Your deep affliction;  
This indeed the cause has been of Your crucifixion.**

**Grant that I Your passion view with repentant grieving,  
Let me not bring shame to You by unholy living.  
How could I refuse to shun ev'ry sinful pleasure  
Since for me God's only Son suffered without measure?**

**If my sins give me alarm and my conscience grieve me,  
Let Your cross my fear disarm; peace of conscience give me.  
Help me see forgiveness won by Your holy passion.  
If for me He slays His Son, God must have compassion!**

**Graciously my faith renew; help me bear my crosses,  
Learning humbleness from You, peace mid pain and losses.  
May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Savior,  
That I may in heav'n above sing Your praise forever.**

**SERMON ↓**

*From the Perspective of Peter*

**PRAYER ~ Page 265 ↑**

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

**COLLECT FOR THE WORD ~ Page 265 ↑**

Pastor: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**PASSION READING ↓**

**LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER ~ Page 266 ↑ (10:30)** (Small Catechism)

**I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings in life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

**LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER ~ Page 266 ↑ (7:00)** (Small Catechism)

**I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins**

where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

**BLESSING ~ Page 267 ↑**

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.** (Psalm 103:1)

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**People: Amen.**

♪ **CLOSING HYMN ↑** *Abide with Me* (1, 2, 6) **LSB 878**

**Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.**

**The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.**

**When other helpers fail and comforts flee,**

**Help of the helpless, O abide with me.**

**I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour;**

**What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?**

**Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?**

**Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.**

**Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;**

**Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.**

**Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;**

**In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

**POSTLUDE** *Christ, Mighty Savior* (S. Johnson)



Offerings collected during our Midweek Lenten services will go to Lutheran Senior Care Ministry. LSCM was started in 1924 to provide a Word and Worship ministry to people living in nursing homes, assisted living centers, and adult day care services in the greater Fort Wayne area. Approximately 600 residents from care facilities gather for worship led by LSCM chaplains each week. Their worship includes hymn singing, scripture readings, prayers, a sermon, and a benediction. LSCM is funded by local Lutheran congregations. We are blessed to be able to support this program which in turn blesses so many!

Offerings collected above what we pledged to Lutheran Senior Care Ministry will go to Emanuel's Endowment fund for Lutheran Higher Education.