

THE ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "In the Hour of Trial" tune *Penitence*; setting James Denton

HYMN 873 - *we sing, standing*

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

OPENING DIALOG

Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, **slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Jesus said: If anyone would come after Me, **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.**

Christ was wounded for our transgressions. **He was bruised for our iniquities.**

The chastisement that brought us peace was upon Him, **and with His stripes we are healed.**

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

(please be seated)

FIRST LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 4 - *Pastor reads odd numbered verses
Congregation reads even numbered verses*

SECOND LESSON *(bulletin back page)*

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GOSPEL *(bulletin back page)* - *all standing*
Before, all sing: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!
After, all sing: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

HYMN 579 - *we sing, seated*

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - *hymnal, back cover*

OFFERTORY

8:00 - *Bruce Emerick, soloist* - "The Lamb of God" by Twila Paris
10:30 - *we sing* **HYMN 725**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

all may kneel

Response: **Hear our prayer!**

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN 921 - *we sing, standing*

POSTLUDE - "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"
O du Liebe miener Liebe, setting by Wilson

NEWS AND NOTES

Last Sunday Here

Attending: 95 Offering: \$6,000

This Week Here

Wed - 6:00 PM - Soup & Bible Study
- 7:00 PM - Soloist Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM - Lent 2 Service
- 8:15 PM - Parish Choir
Thur - 10:00 AM - Bulletin Pick Up
- 7:15 PM - Bells Rehearsal

Join Us Wednesday evenings at 6:00 during Lent for Soup and Salad, Bible Study and fellowship followed by worship at 7:30. We need volunteers to sign up for bringing soup and helping set up/clean up. Please sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board if you plan to attend. We need you - we want you! Join us one and all!

Cheshire Food Pantry Adopt a Shelf -

Cheshire food pantry is starting a new opportunity for Cheshire organizations to meet the food needs of their clients, They are asking organization to adopt a shelf of an item and keep that item in stock, We are going to try this out for one year, Our item is SALAD DRESSING. We hope this will make it easi-

er to shop for the food pantry. Just add salad dressing to your grocery list! Look for a new bin labeled SALAD DRESSING.

Monetary Donations for Ukraine - We are collecting money during the Month of March for the Orphan Grain Train to send aid to Ukraine. Please place donations in the blue and yellow box located on the hallway counter. If donating by check, please make payable to Cheshire Lutheran. Thank you for your support.

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour - Join us for fellowship between the services. If you are willing, and can serve some mornings by setting up and cleaning up, please sign up on the bulletin board. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Baked goods are always welcome and may be brought in at any time and placed in the freezer to be enjoyed when needed. Questions? Please contact Pam Clark.

Portals of Prayer (daily home devotional booklets for adults) - regular & large-print editions - on narthex table. Help yourself to a copy - and take one for a friend, if you wish.

A WORD ABOUT THE LESSONS

Jesus Rescues Us from Death and Brings Us into Heaven - The prophet Jeremiah faithfully preached "all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people" (Jer. 26:8). He called the people to repentance, lest the Lord's judgment come upon them. The violence that Jeremiah suffered for this preaching foreshadowed the cross and Passion of Christ Jesus, who suffered the judgment of God for the redemption of all people. For Jesus "comes in the name of the Lord" (Luke 13:35) in order to lay down His life for the sins of the world. Earthly Jerusalem was blind to His gracious visitation, and it put Him to death like the prophets before Him. Yet, His sacrifice upon the cross became the cornerstone of the new Jerusalem, His Church. He visits us today in mercy with His preaching of forgiveness, to gather us to Himself within that holy city, "as a hen gathers her brood under her wings" (Luke 13:34), for "our citizenship is in heaven" (Phil. 3:20).