

# FEBRUARY 25, 2026 - LENT 1 MIDWEEK SERVICE

**Prelude** - "In The Hour Of Trial" tune *Penitence*, setting by Spencer Lane; Chelsea Da Paz, flute soloist.

*Stand*

## 702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart;  
3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,  
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me while I pray; Take all my  
My zeal in - spire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my  
Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's  
Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior, then, in love, Fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly Thine!  
love to Thee Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!  
tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From Thee a - side.  
trust re - move; O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## Opening Versicles

- P** The apostle Paul writes, "Walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love..." (Ephesians 4:1-2).
- C** **Lord, help us to lay aside selfish, conceited and prideful ways.**
  
- P** We are told, "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others" (Philippians 2:3-4). This is the attitude of Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us.
- C** **Lord, help us to be humble and to regard others as more important than ourselves. Lead us to lives of service to others.**
  
- P** The Lord tells us, "Through love serve one another" (Galatians 5:13).
- C** **Lord, help us to love others as you love us.**
  
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
  
- P** Let us pray.

**C** Lord Jesus, in your life of humble service, we see the pattern for our own lives. You laid aside your heavenly majesty and humbled yourself to be born among us and to give your life to save us. As we follow your path to the cross, teach us to walk in the way of love, the way in which you walked. Help us to put aside our pride and selfish ways. Open our eyes to the needs and suffering of those around us, so that we might serve them in love and share with them the good news of salvation through faith in your name. Hear our prayer and accept our grateful praise. Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 11:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup>And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup>And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. <sup>4</sup>Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” <sup>5</sup>And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. <sup>6</sup>And the LORD said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” <sup>8</sup>So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. <sup>9</sup>Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Philippians 2:1–11*

<sup>1</sup>So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup>complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup>Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup>Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Verse for Lent

*LSB 173*

**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and  
mer-ci-ful, slow to an-ger, and a-bound-ing in  
stead-fast love, and a-bound-ing in stead-fast love.

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 10:35–45*

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

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>35</sup>And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to [Jesus] and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” <sup>38</sup>Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” <sup>39</sup>And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” <sup>41</sup>And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. <sup>42</sup>And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup>But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

### 851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your  
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,  
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our  
 4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the  
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your  
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious  
 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;  
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone  
 sen - tence, “You have done it all to Me.”  
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings  
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by  
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You  
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to



count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful  
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py  
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your  
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of



and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.  
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.  
 poor and need - y, “Give as I have giv'n to you”?  
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

## Sermon

**Anthem** - “*When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*” tune *Hamburg*, setting by Lani Smith; Chelsea Da Paz, flute soloist.

*Kneel*

## Prayers

- P** Lord Jesus, from all eternity you are one with the Father and the Spirit, yet you laid aside your divine majesty to be born among us. In obedience to your heavenly Father, you humbled yourself to the point of death on a cross.  
Lord Jesus, you gave your life to save us;
- C** **Help us to spend our lives in service to others.**
- P** Lord Jesus, in baptism we die with you and are raised to new life. Teach us daily to die to self and to lay aside our selfish, prideful ways. Lead us to live for others as you did and to put their interests and needs ahead of our own.  
Lord Jesus, you gave your life to save us;
- C** **Help us to spend our lives in service to others.**
- P** Lord Jesus, you are our crucified and risen King. You reign now in exalted glory at the right hand of the Father. King of Kings, by the power of the Holy Spirit, strengthen us in faith as we seek to serve you by serving others in love. Lord Jesus, you gave your life to save us;
- C** **Help us to spend our lives in service to others.**
- P** Lord Jesus, we pray that you would use us to bring comfort and hope to those who are suffering. Through the promises of your Word, give them peace. According to your will, bring healing to ... and to those we name in our hearts. Lord Jesus, you gave your life to save us;
- C** **Help us to spend our lives in service to others.**
- P** Lord Jesus, you raised us to new life as your holy people. Help us to build up others and treat them with kindness and care. We pray that the Holy Spirit would work through our works of love and our words of witness so that others will come to know and worship you as Lord and King. Lord Jesus, you gave your life to save us;
- C** **Help us to spend our lives in service to others. Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

*LSB 179*

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **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

*LSB 183*

- P** 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.
- C** **Amen.**

*Stand*

## 842 Son of God, Eternal Savior



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and  
2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for  
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and  
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us  
oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;  
Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,  
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in  
Free-ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the  
Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of  
Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your  
sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards  
toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered  
will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.  
of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.  
thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.  
hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

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**Postlude** - *"Be Ever Near Me, Lord"* arranged by Schreiner.

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