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March 21, 2021 - Fifth Sunday in Lent 10:30 AM - www.facebook.com/durhamlutheran

Prelude "One Pure and Holy Passion" - Altrogge/Tornquist- Piano Welcome- Announcements - Introduction to Today's Worship Confession and Forgiveness

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the keeper of the covenant,
the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

Amen.

God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Fountain of living water,
pour out your mercy over us.
Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.
Rebuild what we have ruined
and mend what we have torn.
Wash us in your cleansing flood.
Make us alive in the Spirit
to follow in the way of Jesus,
as healers and restorers of the world you so love.
Amen.

Beloved, God's word never fails.

The promise rests on grace:
by the saving love of Jesus Christ,
the wisdom and power of God,
your sins are + forgiven, and God remembers them no more.
Journey in the way of Jesus.

Amen.



Prayer of the Day

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading-Jeremiah 31: 31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD", for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Psalm 51: 1-12

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from me sin.

³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgement.

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁶Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me known wisdom deep within.

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.

⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.

¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

¹¹Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

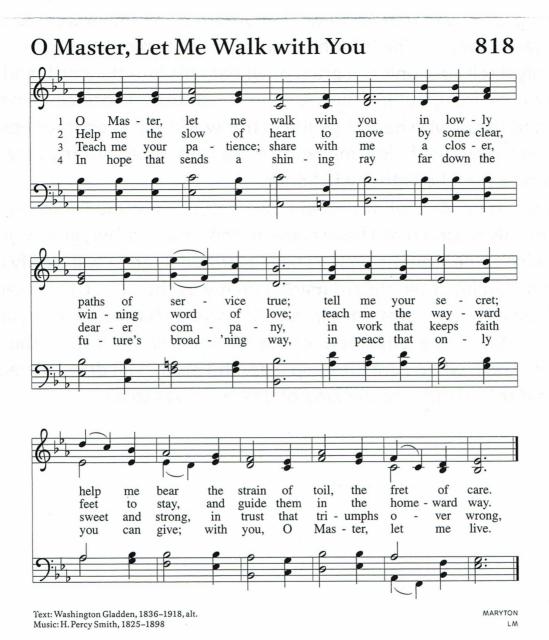
¹²Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

The Holy Gospel - John 12: 20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say- 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Message



The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers and Intercessions:

Pastor: O God, in your steadfast love,

People: have mercy on us.

Lord's Prayer Sign of Peace Blessing

Dismissal- Pastor: Go in peace. Share the good news.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!

Postlude "Prayer" - Gordon Young- Organ

Helping in Worship

Organist/Choir Director Altar Guild Technology Leader Office Secretary Custodian

- Carolyn Williams
- Beth Snyder, Mark Harwick
- Ken Anderson
- Jessica Mette
- Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Virtual Worship every Sunday at 10:30AM on Facebook.
- Virtual "Whirl" Sunday School every week on Facebook.
- March "Outreach" offering designated to SE PA Synod Appeal- "Blessed to be a Blessing"
- Midweek Lenten Zoom gathering- Wednesday 7:00PM
- THIS COMING SATURDAY- March 27- Eco-Palm Branches and African Palm Crosses will be distributed from the church parking lot. Also, if you will be viewing our Holy Thursday and/or Easter Day Worship from home on Facebook, pick up communion kits.
- PALM SUNDAY, March 28- 10:30 AM -- Worship Service broadcast to your car radio in church parking lot. Also, palms will be distributed and communion kits. This will be a communion service.
- April 1- MAUNDY THURSDAY/ HOLY THURSDAY- 7:00 PM- Livestreamed on Facebook.
- April 2- GOOD FRIDAY- 7:00 PM- Livestreamed on Facebook.
- April 4- EASTER DAY- 10:30 AM- Festival Service of Holy Communion To be broadcasted on Facebook.

Please lift up in prayer the following ...

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Esther Crouse; Norma Fox; Faye Gadwell; Virginia Hager; Betty & George Kreitz; Phyllis Lanshe; Dean Litzenberger; Silas Rodenbach; Hal Taylor; Linda Sauter; Dianna Streletz; Carolyn Williams; and Joanne Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family: Phyllis Allebach; Brian Ashmore, Jr.; Lynn Bailey; Jason Bigley; Karen Bolesta; Kelly Bordelon; Phyllis Boyer; Melissa Carafa; Deb Carmichael; Josie Crawn; De Lorenzo family; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Ken Garey; Candie Gimbar; Florence Gonzalez; Bob Helm; Kathy J.; Paige Jipner; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Jean Kaki; Jane Kemmerer; Martine King; Priscilla Kinter; Aleena Lang; Barbara Lynch; Chelsea Marley; Warren & Pat Merkham; Andrea Miller; Clint O'Connor; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Letitia Reidinger; Randy Rilling; Jill Roland; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Gary Shollenberger; Erma Starling, Donna Storm; Stephen Szalwinski; Yolanda Taube; Russ Trauger; Alex Ulrey; Linda Willson; and Michelle Woodruff. ALSO, Laura, Kelly, Charlie D, Charlie L., and Jane.

For those who are Homebound: Cleo and Ken Eck.

For the Grieving: The families of Reta Bieber; Julia Bizon; Helen Eby; Leah Kneebone; Elfriede and Manfred Marschewski; Sarah Rhine; Gerry Seipt; Lewis Snyder; and Rudolf von Watzdorf.

For those in Health Care: Including Sara Aquino, Debbie Angstadt; Kendell Beerer, Mary Crouse, Sara Deal Den Herder, Mary Erceg; Faye Gadwell; Tanya Naska; Kristi Lee Reiman; and Sharron Streletz.

Essential Food Workers: Bethany Michl, Trauger's Farm **Essential Postal Workers:** Andrea Fox and Dawn Margeson

New Baby: Please keep Brittany and Dan Froehlich and their newborn daughter, Olivia Dawn Froehlich, in your prayers. Olivia was born December 4, 2020. Please keep Alyse and Andrew Hales, along with big brother Ashton and their newborn daughter, Aria Leighton Hales, in your prayers. Aria was born March 2, 2021.