

Lent 2021

Wednesday – March 10, 2021 – 7:00 pm. Worship

The Eternal Name



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וְאֵין כְּמִן
“I AM”

Midweek 3: “I Am the Way and the Truth and the Life”

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† Call to Worship †

Hymn # 798:1, 3 “The God of Abraham Praise”

1 The God of A - br'ham praise, Who reigns en - throned a - bove;
3 The God of A - br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace

An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.

Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;
He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.

I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.
And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.

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Reading: Mark 14:51-72

⁵¹And a young man followed him, with nothing but a linen cloth about his body. And they seized him, ⁵²but he left the linen cloth and ran away naked.

⁵³And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. ⁵⁴And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire. ⁵⁵Now the chief priests and the whole Council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none. ⁵⁶For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. ⁵⁷And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, ⁵⁸*“We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’”* ⁵⁹Yet even about this their testimony did not agree.

⁶⁰And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, *“Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?”* ⁶¹But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, *“Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?”*

⁶²And Jesus said, ***“I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.”***

⁶³And the high priest tore his garments and said, *“What further witnesses do we need?”* ⁶⁴*You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?”* And they all condemned him as deserving death. ⁶⁵And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him, *“Prophesy!”* And the guards received him with blows.

⁶⁶And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, ⁶⁷and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, *“You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus.”*

⁶⁸But he denied it, saying, *“I neither know nor understand what you mean.”* And he went out into the gateway and the rooster crowed.

⁶⁹And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, *“This man is one of them.”* ⁷⁰But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, *“Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.”*

⁷¹But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, *“I do not know this man of whom you speak.”* ⁷²And immediately the rooster crowed a second time.

And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, ***“Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.”*** And he broke down and wept.

Stand

Invocation

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

Versicles

- L** O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- L** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.

Psalm 69:1, 19-36

- P** ¹Save me, O God!
C For the waters have come up to my neck.
- P** ¹⁹You know my reproach,
and my shame and my dishonor;
C my foes are all known to you.
- P** ²⁰Reproaches have broken my heart,
so that I am in despair.
C I looked for pity, but there was none,
and for comforters, but I found none.
- P** ²¹They gave me poison for food,
C and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink.
- P** ²²Let their own table before them become a snare;
C and when they are at peace, let it become a trap.
- P** ²³Let their eyes be darkened, so that they cannot see,
C and make their loins tremble continually.
- P** ²⁴Pour out your indignation upon them,
C and let your burning anger overtake them.
- P** ²⁵May their camp be a desolation;
C let no one dwell in their tents.
- P** ²⁶For they persecute him whom you have struck down,
C and they recount the pain of those you have wounded.
- P** ²⁷Add to them punishment upon punishment;
C may they have no acquittal from you.
- P** ²⁸Let them be blotted out of the book of the living;
C let them not be enrolled among the righteous.
- P** ²⁹But I am afflicted and in pain;
C let your salvation, O God, set me on high!
- P** ³⁰I will praise the name of God with a song;
C I will magnify him with thanksgiving.
- P** ³¹This will please the LORD more than an ox
C or a bull with horns and hoofs.
- P** ³²When the humble see it they will be glad;
C you who seek God, let your hearts revive.
- P** ³³For the LORD hears the needy
C and does not despise his own people who are prisoners.
- P** ³⁴Let heaven and earth praise him,
C the seas and everything that moves in them.
- P** ³⁵For God will save Zion
and build up the cities of Judah,
C and people shall dwell there and possess it;
- P** ³⁶the offspring of his servants shall inherit it,
C and those who love his name shall dwell in it.
- 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.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

P The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, the second chapter.

¹The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be lifted up above the hills;
and all the nations shall flow to it,

³and many peoples shall come, and say:
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go the law,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations,
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore.

⁵O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD.

Responsory

Psalm 51:14; Psalm 59:1; Psalm 141:8 LSB 231

L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

Epistle: Hebrews 10:19-24; 12:2

P The Epistle is from Hebrews, the tenth chapter.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus,
²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh,
²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in
full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies
washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he
who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good
works,

²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him
endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Responsory

L In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

Stand

Holy Gospel: John 14:1-7

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the fourteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] *“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.
²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to
prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will
take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am
going.”*

⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the
way?”

⁶Jesus said to him, *"I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Responsory

L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

Hymn # 526 "You Are the Way; through You Alone"

1 You are the way; through You a - lone Can
2 You are the truth; Your Word a - lone True
3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant

we the Fa - ther find; In You, O Christ, has
wis - dom can im - part; You on - ly can in -
claims Your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their
us that way to know, That truth to keep, that

God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.
form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.
trust in You Not death nor hell shall harm.
life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

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Sermon "I Am the Way and the Truth and the Life" John 14:5-7

Introduction to Collects

LSB 233

L O Lord, hear my prayer.

C And let my cry come to You.

Collect

P Lord Jesus, You are the Way of Salvation, leading us back to God. Bring us to know the eternal truths that we can find only in You, that throughout the days of eternity we may find complete fulfilment for our souls. Guide us Lord Jesus as our Shepherd, our Teacher and our Lord, that we may endlessly rejoice in Your goodness; for You are true and good and eternal together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C Amen.

Additional Petitions:

Responses

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Collect for Peace

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 233 Matthew 6:9-13

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.


Benedicamus

LSB 234 Psalm 103:1

L Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 234 2 Corinthians 13:14

P The grace of our Lord  Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C Amen.

Hymn # 880:1,4,5 "Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow"



1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow The wood - land,
4 Lord Je - sus, since You love me, Now spread Your
field, and mead - ow; The world in slum - ber lies.
wings a - bove me And shield me from a - harm.
But you, my heart, a - wak - ing And prayer and mu - sic
Though Sa - tan would de - vour me, Let an - gel guards sing
mak - ing, Let praise to your Cre - a - tor rise.
o'er me: This child of God shall meet no harm.

5 My loved ones, rest securely,
For God this night will surely
From peril guard your heads.
Sweet slumbers may He send you
And bid His hosts attend you
And through the night watch o'er your beds.

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