

Lent 2021

Wednesday – March 3, 2021 – 7:00 pm. Worship

The Eternal Name



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וְאֵין כְּעָד
“I AM”

Midweek 2: “I Am the Resurrection and the Life”

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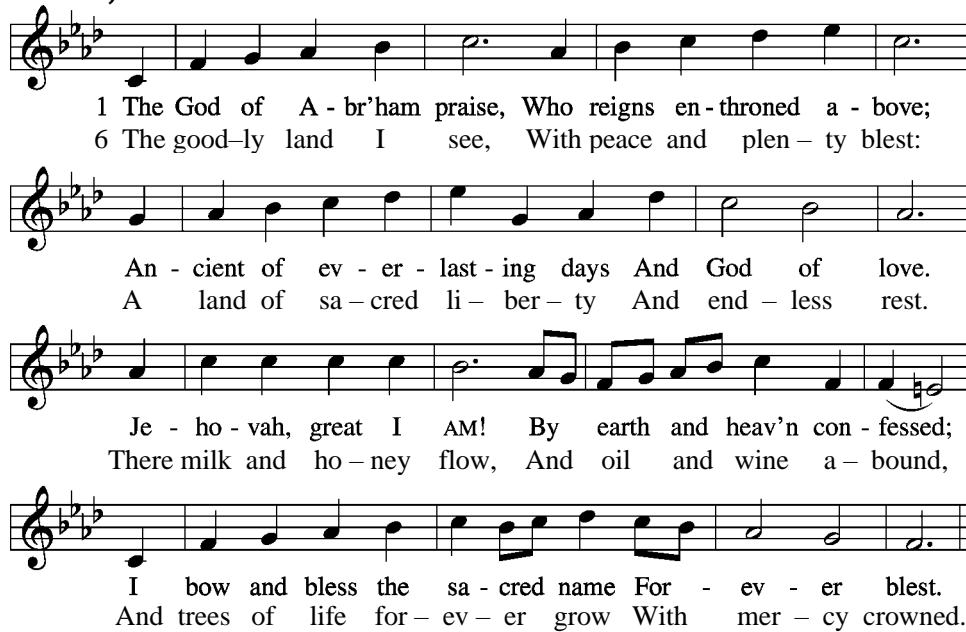
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† Call to Worship †

Hymn # 798:1, 6 “The God of Abraham Praise”



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, Who reigns en - throned a - bove;
 6 The good-ly land I see, With peace and plen - ty blest:

An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
 A land of sa - cred li - ber - ty And end - less rest.

Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 There milk and ho - ney flow, And oil and wine a - bound,

I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.
 And trees of life for - ev - er grow With mer - cy crowned.

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Reading: Mark 14:26-50

²⁶And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ²⁷And Jesus said to them, ***“You will all fall away, for it is written, ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’ ²⁸But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.”***

²⁹Peter said to him, ***“Even though they all fall away, I will not.”***

³⁰And Jesus said to him, ***“Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.”***

³¹But he said emphatically, ***“If I must die with you, I will not deny you.”*** And they all said the same.

³²And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, ***“Sit here while I pray.”*** ³³And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. ³⁴And he said to them, ***“My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch.”*** ³⁵And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶And he said, ***“Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.”***


³⁷And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, ***“Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? ³⁸Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”*** ³⁹And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. ⁴¹And he came the third time and said to them, ***“Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴²Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand.”***

⁴³And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. ⁴⁴Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, ***“The one I will kiss is the man. Seize him and lead him away under guard.”*** ⁴⁵And when he came, he went up to him at once and said, ***“Rabbi!”*** And he kissed him. ⁴⁶And they laid hands on him and seized him. ⁴⁷But one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear.

⁴⁸And Jesus said to them, ***“Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? ⁴⁹Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the Scriptures be fulfilled.”*** ⁵⁰And they all left him and fled.

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 16:1-11

- P** ¹Preserve me, O God,
C for in you I take refuge.
P ²I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;
C I have no good apart from you.”
P ³As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones,
C in whom is all my delight.
P ⁴The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out
C or take their names on my lips.
P ⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;
C you hold my lot.
P ⁶The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
C indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
P ⁷I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
C in the night also my heart instructs me.
P ⁸I have set the LORD always before me;
C because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
P ⁸I have set the LORD always before me;
C because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
P ⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
C my flesh also dwells secure.
P ¹⁰For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
C or let your holy one see corruption.
P ¹¹You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
C at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
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: Job 19:23-27

- P** The Old Testament Reading is from Job, the nineteenth chapter.
²³“Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
²⁴Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
²⁶And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
²⁷whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!”

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: Romans 8:23-25, 29-32, 38-39

P The Epistle is from Romans, the eighth chapter.

²³And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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 11:21-27, 38-44

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹Martha said to Jesus, *"Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you."*

²³Jesus said to her, *"Your brother will rise again."*

²⁴Martha said to him, *"I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."*

²⁵Jesus said to her, *"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"*

²⁷She said to him, *"Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world." ...*

³⁸Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it.

³⁹Jesus said, *"Take away the stone."*

Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, *"Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days."*

⁴⁰Jesus said to her, *"Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"*

⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, *"Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me."* ⁴³When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, *"Lazarus, come out."*

⁴⁴The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, *"Unbind him, and let him go."*

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.

Sit

Hymn # 458:1-4 "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"



1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands For our of - fens -
 2 No son of man could con - quer death, Such ru - in sin
 3 Christ Je - sus, God's own Son, came down, His peo - ple to
 4 It was a strange and dread - ful strife When life and death

es giv - en; But now at God's right hand He stands
 had wrought us. No in - no - cence was found on earth,
 de - liv - er; De - stroy - ing sin, He took the crown
 con - tend - ed; The vic - to - ry re - mained with life,

And brings us life from heav - en. There - fore let us
 And there - fore death had brought us In - to bond - age
 From death's pale brow for - ev - er: Stripped of pow'r, no
 The reign of death was end - ed. Ho - ly Scrip - ture

joy - ful be And sing to God right thank - ful - ly
 from of old And ev - er grew more strong and bold
 more it reigns; An emp - ty form a - lone re - mains;
 plain - ly saith That death is swal - lowed up by death,

Loud songs of al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 And held us as its cap - tive. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Its sting is lost for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Its sting is lost for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!

Sermon "I Am the Resurrection and the Life" John 11:25-26

Hymn # 458:5 "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"

5 Here our true Paschal Lamb we see,
 Whom God so freely gave us;
 He died on the accursèd tree—
 So strong His love—to save us.
 See, His blood now marks our door;
 Faith points to it; death passes o'er,
 And Satan cannot harm us.
 Alleluia!

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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 Resurrection, for You have faced death and have conquered; and You are the Life, sharing the Life that is within You. By Your words of promise and by Your cross and empty tomb, bring us out of the death within us and into Your eternity, that we may see Your glory and sing Your praises through the endless ages of eternity.
- 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 # 883:1-4, 6 "All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night"



1 All praise to Thee, my God, this night For all the
2 For - give me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that
3 Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as
4 Oh, may my soul in Thee re - pose, And may sweet
bless - ings of the light. Keep me, O keep me,
I this day have done, That with the world, my -
lit - tle as my bed. Teach me to die that
sleep mine eye - lids close, Sleep that shall me more
King of kings, Be - neath Thine own al - might - y wings.
self, and Thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
so I may Rise glo - rious at the awe - full day.
vig - 'rous make To serve my God when I a - wake!

- 6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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