

**LENT 2**

**February 24, 2021**

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**Order Of Worship**

**HYMN 111: Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing**

**1 Sweet the moments, right in blessing, which before the cross we spend.  
Life and health and peace possessing from the sinner's dying friend.**

**2 Here we rest in wonder, viewing all our sins on Jesus laid;  
Here we see redemption flowing from the sacrifice he made.**

**3 Here we find the dawn of heaven while upon the cross we gaze,  
See our trespasses forgiven, and our songs of triumph raise.**

**4 Oh, that, near the cross abiding, we may to the Savior cleave,  
Naught with him our hearts dividing, all for him content to leave!**

**5 Lord, in loving contemplation fix our hearts and eyes on you  
Till we taste your full salvation and your unveiled glory view.**

**RESPONSIVE READING**

**Pastor:** O Lord, open my lips.

**Congregation:** And my mouth shall declare your praise.

**Pastor:** Hasten to save me, O God.

**Congregation:** O Lord, come quickly to help me.

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**Congregation:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening worship. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Congregation:** Amen.

**THE PSALM: Psalm 14**

**Pastor:** The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.”

**CONGREGATION:** They are corrupt, their deeds are vile; there is no one who does good.

**Pastor:** The Lord looks down from heaven on the sons of men to see if there are any who understand, any who seek God.

**CONGREGATION:** All have turned aside, they have together become corrupt; there is no one who does good, not even one.

**Pastor:** Will evildoers never learn—those who devour my people as men eat bread and who do not call on the Lord?

**CONGREGATION:** There they are, overwhelmed with dread, for God is present in the company of the righteous.

**Pastor:** You evildoers frustrate the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge. Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!

**CONGREGATION:** When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice and be glad.

**Pastor:** O Lord, spare us from the folly of wickedness and the pursuit of evil. Make us rejoice in your saving acts that we who have been redeemed by your Son may abound in works of faith, hope, and love; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**Congregation:** Amen.

**THE PASSION HISTORY: In Gethsemane**

**HYMN 337: Delay Not! Delay Not**

**1 Delay not! Delay not! O sinner, draw near!  
The waters of life are now flowing for you  
No price is demanded; the Savior is here.**

**Redemption is purchased; God's promise is true.**

**2 Delay not! Delay not, O sinner to come,  
For mercy still lingers and calls you today.  
Its voice is not heard in the vale of the tomb;  
Its message, unheeded, will soon pass away.**

**3 Delay not! Delay not! The Spirit of grace,  
Long grieved and resisted, may take his sad flight  
And leave you in darkness to finish your race,  
To sink in the gloom of eternity's night.**

**4 Delay not! Delay not! The hour is at hand,  
The earth will dissolve, and the heavens will fade.  
The dead, small and great, in the Judgment must stand—  
What pow'r, then, O sinner can lend you its aid?**

**5 Delay not! Delay not! Why longer abuse  
the love and compassion of Jesus, your God?  
A fountain is opened—how can you refuse?  
Come, wash and be cleansed in his pardoning blood.**

**SERMON TEXT – John 13:21-30**

#### **The Hands Of Betrayal**

21 After he had said this, Jesus was troubled in spirit and testified, "I tell you the truth, one of you is going to betray me." 22 His disciples stared at one another, at a loss to know which of them he meant. 23 One of them, the disciple whom Jesus loved, was reclining next to him. 24 Simon Peter motioned to this disciple and said, "Ask him which one he means." 25 Leaning back against Jesus, he asked him, "Lord, who is it?" 26 Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish." Then, dipping the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, son of Simon. 27 As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. "What you are about to do, do quickly," Jesus told him, 28 but no one at the meal understood why Jesus said this to him. 29 Since Judas had charge of the money, some thought Jesus was telling him to buy what was needed for the Feast, or to give something to the poor. 30 As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night.

**HYMN 405: Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink**

**1 Oh, for a faith that will not shrink though pressed by many a foe,  
That will not tremble on the brink of poverty or woe,**

**2 That will not murmur nor complain beneath the chast'ning rod,  
but in the hour of grief or pain can lean upon its God,**

**3 A faith that shines more bright and clear when tempests rage without,  
That, when in danger, knows no fear, in darkness feels no doubt.**

**4 That bears unmoved the world's dread frown  
Nor heeds its scornful smile.  
That sin's wild ocean cannot drown nor Satan's arts beguile.**

**5 A faith that keeps the narrow way till life's last spark is fled  
And with a pure and heav'nly ray lights up the dying bed.**

**6 Lord, give us such a faith as this, and then, whate'er may come,  
We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss of an eternal home.**

### **PRAYER\LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

### **OFFERING**

The offering will be received as you are ushered out after the service in the fellowship hall so that offering plates are not passed.

### **BLESSING**

### **HYMN 597: May God the Father of Our Lord**

**1 May God the Father of our Lord, who called you by his holy Word,  
Perfect, establish, settle you, keep you through faith forever true.**

**2 In Jesus Christ may you be blessed and brought to his eternal rest.  
The work he has in you begun, he will perform till all is done.**

**3 The Holy Spirit give you pow'r, the strength of prayer in ev'ry hour,  
The wisdom, knowledge, fear of God, that lifts above his chast'ning rod.**

**4 May God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Preserve you blameless till in grace you stand before his holy face.**