



Emmanuel
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

Wednesday, April 1, 2020
Mid-Week Lenten Worship

7:00 PM Worship Livestream at
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Song

Wonderful King, Op. 135a No. 30

Max Reger

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Pastor: In this Holy Season of Lent, we are gathered in the name of the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen!

Opening Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray...O God our Rock and Salvation,

All: be with us in this time of worship online and wherever we are.

Pastor: Send your Holy Spirit to us again,

All: to call, enlighten, and sanctify us.

Pastor: We lift our prayers up to you, Almighty God.

All: May your Holy Spirit pray for us with sighs too deep for words.

Pastor: In these days of sickness and fear, O Lord,

All: send to us again the miracle of your healing and your peace.

Pastor: Bless our leaders and healers, Holy One.

All: Give them wisdom and strength.

Pastor: Bless us in spiritual gathering, in prayers, in sacred scripture, and in music.

All: Bless us all in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prelude

O Welt ich muss dich lassen, Op. 122 No. 3
("O World I Must Leave You")

Johannes Brahms

Confession & Forgiveness

Pastor: Let us pray...Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.



Pastor: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen!

Hymn

Beneath The Cross Of Jesus

338 (v.2)

1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;

the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in a wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,

from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.



Gospel of Luke 23:44-49

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ according to the gospel of St. Luke, chapter 23.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

Pastor: ⁴⁴It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." ⁴⁸And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. ⁴⁹But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

Song	O Welt ich muss dich lassen, Op. 122 No. 11 ("O World I Must Leave You")	Johannes Brahms
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Homily	"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."	Pastor Tony Prinsen
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Song	Were You There?	Arr. Joe Utterback
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Intercessory Prayers

Pastor: Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. *A brief silence.*

Pastor: God of grace, send your church beyond boundaries to proclaim your grace. Strengthen our voices, that all people can know and believe that Jesus is truly the savior of the world. Lord in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of creation, protect from pollution all that you have made. Use us to do the work of your hands in caring for the earth, air, waters, plants, and animals. Lord in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of mercy, open the hearts of leaders and authorities, that they hear the cries of the suffering and act with compassion toward them. Bring peace to disputed lands and bring reconciliation to people divided by race, culture, or nationality. Lord in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.



Pastor: God of wholeness, mend the hearts of those who grieve broken relationships, whether by conflict, abuse, divorce, or death. Draw near to all who are ill. Assure those questioning your presence in the midst of doubt or suffering. Lord in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of love, join us together in worship, fellowship, and sharing your good news in all situations. Embolden us to serve others and to work for justice and peace in any way that we can. Lord in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of healing, renew us in the promises of baptism. Be with those suffering from this pandemic. Bless them with healing. Bless doctors, nurses, medical staff, all those who work in hospitals, clinics, emergency rooms, urgent care and healing ministries. Give them strength; give them endurance; give them your grace. Lord in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of life, we thank you for those saints before us who endured suffering and who now boast in the glory of God. Pour your Holy Spirit into our hearts and give us peace as we live in the hope of our salvation. Lord in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

All: Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.



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Blessing and Sending

Pastor: In this holy season of Lent, may God who calls us to repentance bless you, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Go in peace and remember the poor!

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

The Old Rugged Cross

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