

LENT QUESTIONS

LENT MIDWEEK - MARCH 30TH, 2022

WELCOME

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TODAY'S SERVICE

March 30th, 2022

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 47

Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph! ² For the LORD Most High *is* awesome; *He is* a great King over all the earth. ³ He will subdue the peoples under us, And the nations under our feet. ⁴ He will choose our inheritance for us, The excellence of Jacob whom He loves. Selah ⁵ God has gone up with a shout, The LORD with the sound of a trumpet. ⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! ⁷ For God *is* the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding. ⁸ God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne. ⁹ The princes of the people have gathered together, The people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth *belong* to God; He is greatly exalted.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#143 "O Dearest Jesus"

By Johann Heermann, 1585-1647

3. Whence come these sorrows,
whence this mortal anguish?

It is my sins for which Thou, Lord, must languish;
Yea, all the wrath, the woe, Thou dost inherit,
This I do merit.

4. What punishment so strange is suffered yonder!
The Shepherd dies for sheep that loved to wander;
The Master pays the debt His servants owe Him,
Who would not know Him.

6. There was no spot in me by sin untainted;
Sick with sin's poison, all my heart had fainted;
My heavy guilt to hell had well-nigh brought me,
Such woe it wrought me.

INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

CONFESSION OF SINS

p God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

c **If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His son cleanses us from all sin.**

p If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

c **If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

all Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen

p Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

c 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

PRAYER

p Let us pray . . . Dear Jesus, who rules all things for the good of Your people, rule in our hearts through Your grace that we may receive Your gifts and dwell in Your kingdom; in Your name, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forevermore. Amen.

PASSION READING #5

LUKE 23:1-12 - JESUS BEFORE PILATE

Then the whole multitude of them arose and led Him to Pilate. ² And they began to accuse Him, saying, "We found this *fellow* perverting the nation, and forbidding to pay taxes to Caesar, saying that He Himself is Christ, a King." ³ Then Pilate asked Him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" He answered him and said, "*It is as you say.*" ⁴ So Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no fault in this Man." ⁵ But they were the more fierce, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee to this place." ⁶ When Pilate heard

of Galilee, he asked if the Man were a Galilean. ⁷ And as soon as he knew that He belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸ Now when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad; for he had desired for a long *time* to see Him, because he had heard many things about Him, and he hoped to see some miracle done by Him. ⁹ Then he questioned Him with many words, but He answered him nothing. ¹⁰ And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused Him. ¹¹ Then Herod, with his men of war, treated Him with contempt and mocked *Him*, arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him back to Pilate. ¹² That very day Pilate and Herod became friends with each other, for previously they had been at enmity with each other.

RESPONSIVE PSALM 98

- P Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things;
- C **His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.**
- P The LORD has made known His salvation;
- C **His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.**

P He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness
to the house of Israel;

C **All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of
our God.**

P Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;

C **Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises.**

P Sing to the LORD with the harp,

C **With the harp and the sound of a psalm,**

P With trumpets and the sound of a horn;

C **Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King.**

P Let the sea roar, and all its fullness,

C **The world and those who dwell in it;**

P Let the rivers clap *their* hands;

C **Let the hills be joyful together**

P before the LORD, For He is coming to judge the
earth.

C **With righteousness He shall judge the world, And
the peoples with equity. Amen**

#341 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

by Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894

1. Crown Him with many crowns

The Lamb upon His throne;

Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns

All music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing

Of Him who died for thee

And hail Him as thy matchless King

Through all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Virgin's Son,

The God incarnate born,

Whose arm those crimson trophies won

Which now His brow adorn;

Fruit of the mystic rose,

As of that rose the stem;
The root whence mercy ever flows,
The Babe of Bethlehem.

3. Crown Him the Lord of Love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wondering eye
At mysteries so bright!

SERMON

John 18:37 Pilate therefore said to Him, "Are You a king then?" Jesus answered, "You say *rightly* that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice."

ARE YOU A KING?

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

OFFERING HYMN #143:14

14. But worthless is my sacrifice, I own it;
Yet, Lord, for love's sake Thou wilt not disown it;
Thou wilt accept my gift in Thy great meekness
Nor shame my weakness.

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

all In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me today, and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins, wherever I have done wrong, and graciously protect me tonight. Into Your hands I entrust my body and soul and everything else. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the devil may have no power over me.

THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen

#558 "All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night"

by Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

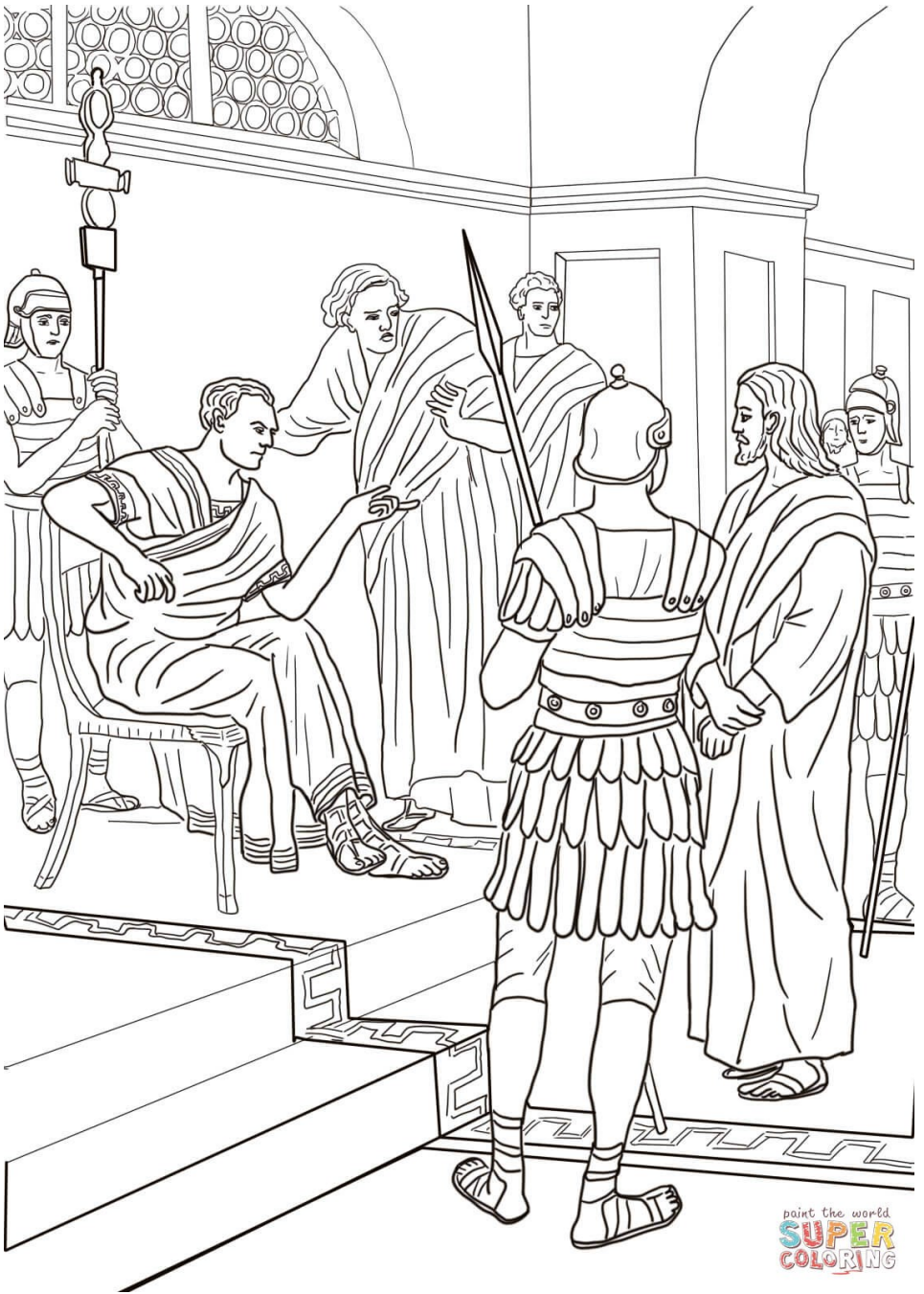
1. All praise to Thee, my God, this night
For all the blessings of the light.
Keep me, oh, keep me, King of kings,
Beneath Thy own almighty wings.
2. Forgive me, Lord, for Thy dear Son,
The ill that I this day have done
That with the world, myself and Thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

3. Teach me to live that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed.
Teach me to die that so I may
Rise glorious at the awe-ful Day.

4. Oh, may my soul on Thee repose,
And may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
Sleep that shall me more vigorous make
To serve my God when I awake.

5. When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No powers of darkness me molest.

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







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