# A song of my Beloved regarding His vineyard

## WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

## TODAY'S SERVICE

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## PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

#### Psalm 126

When the LORD brought back the captivity of Zion, We were like those who dream.<sup>2</sup> Then our mouth was filled with laughter, And our tongue with singing. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." <sup>3</sup> The LORD has done great things for us, *And* we are glad. <sup>4</sup> Bring back our captivity, O LORD, As the streams in the South. <sup>5</sup> Those who sow in tears Shall reap in joy. <sup>6</sup> He who continually goes forth weeping, Bearing seed for sowing, Shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, Bringing his sheaves *with him*.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #149 "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

by James Montgomery, 1771-1854

 Come to Calvary's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the Fall; Here a pure and healing fountain Flows to you, to me, to all, In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.

2. Come in poverty and meanness,Come defiled, without, within;From infection and uncleanness,From the leprosy of sin,Wash your robes and make them white;Ye shall walk with God in light.

3. Come in sorrow and contrition,
Wounded, impotent, and blind;
Here the guilty free remission,
Here the troubled peace, may find.
Health this fountain will restore;
He that drinks shall thirst no more.

4. He that drinks shall live forever;
Tis a soul-renewing flood.
God is faithful; God will never
Break His covenant of blood,
Signed when our Redeemer died,
Sealed when He was glorified.

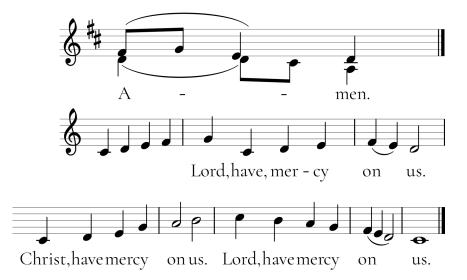
## INVOCATION

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



## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins.
   By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord
   Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.



p Let us pray . . . Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

**Isaiah 43:16-21** <sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea And a path through the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup> Who brings forth the chariot and horse, The army and the power (They shall lie down together, they shall not rise; They are extinguished, they are quenched like a wick): <sup>18</sup> "Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old. <sup>19</sup> Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness *And* rivers in the desert. <sup>20</sup> The beast of the field will honor Me, The jackals and the ostriches, Because I give waters in the wilderness *And* rivers in the desert, To give drink to My people, My chosen. <sup>21</sup> This people I have formed for Myself; They shall declare My praise.

**Philippians 3:8-21** <sup>8</sup> Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which *is* from the law, but that which *is* through faith in Christ,

the righteousness which is from God by faith; <sup>10</sup> that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, <sup>11</sup> if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup> Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.<sup>13</sup> Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you. <sup>16</sup> Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind. <sup>17</sup> Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern. <sup>18</sup> For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: <sup>19</sup> whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame-- who set their mind on earthly things. <sup>20</sup> For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly

wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

## 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.

## #153 "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted"

by Thomas Kelly, 1769-1854

I. Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,
See Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected;
Yes, my soul, 'tis He! 'tis He!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet,
David's Son, yet David's Lord;
Proofs I see sufficient of it:
'Tis the true and faithful Word.

2. Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,
Was there ever grief like His?
Friends through fear His cause disowning,
Foes insulting His distress;
Many hands were raised to wound Him,
None would interpose to save;
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him
Was the stroke that Justice gave.

3. Ye who think of sin but lightly
Nor suppose the evil great
Here may view its nature rightly,
Here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the Sacrifice appointed,
See who bears the awful load;
'Tis the WORD, the LORD'S ANOINTED,
Son of Man and Son of God.

4. Here we have a firm foundation;
Here the refuge of the lost;
Christ's the Rock of our salvation,
His the name of which we boast.
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,
Sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded
Who on Him their hope have built.

## SERMON

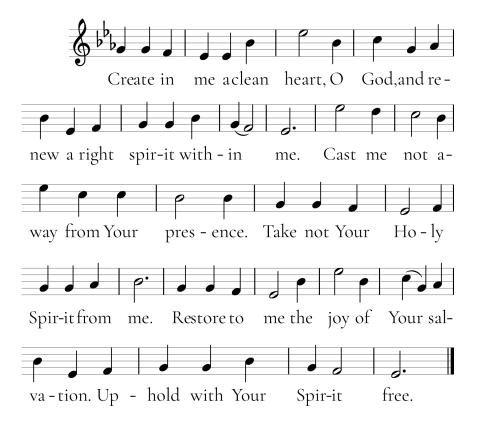
Luke 20:9-20 <sup>9</sup> Then He began to tell the people this parable: "A certain man planted a vineyard, leased it to vinedressers, and went into a far country for a long time. <sup>10</sup> "Now at vintage-time he sent a servant to the vinedressers, that they might give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the vinedressers beat him and sent him away emptyhanded. " "Again he sent another servant; and they beat him also, treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty -handed. <sup>12</sup> "And again he sent a third; and they wounded him also and cast *him* out. <sup>13</sup> "Then the owner of the vineyard said, What shall I do? I will send my beloved son. Probably they will respect *him* when they see him.' <sup>14</sup> "But when the vinedressers saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying,'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.' 15 "So they cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore what will the owner of the vineyard do to them? <sup>16</sup> "He will come and destroy those vinedressers and give the vineyard to others." And when they heard *it* they said, "Certainly not!"<sup>17</sup> Then He looked at them and said, "What then is this that

is written: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone '? <sup>18</sup> "Whoever falls on that stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder." <sup>19</sup> And the chief priests and the scribes that very hour sought to lay hands on Him, but they feared the people-- for they knew He had spoken this parable against them. <sup>20</sup> So they watched *Him*, and sent spies who pretended to be righteous, that they might seize on His words, in order to deliver Him to the power and the authority of the governor.

## HALLOWED BE THY NAME

This parable is an excellent reminder to us of how we often misuse God's name and therefore what we are praying for when we pray, "Hallowed Be Thy Name." It also portrays to what great extent the Lord goes to forgive us and make us His children.

(worksheet on page 22)



## **OFFERING HYMN 572:4**

As Thy prospering hand hath blest, May we give Thee all our best And by deeds of kindly love For Thy mercies grateful prove, Singing thus through all our days Praise to God, immortal praise.

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## **PRAYERS - THE LORD'S PRAYER**

all 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.

## 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.



## #465 "Christ Is Our Corner-Stone"

by unknown author

I. Christ is our Corner-stone,
On Him alone we build;
With His true saints alone
The courts of heaven are filled.
On His great love
Our hopes we place
Of present grace
And joys above.

 2. Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hallowed courts shall ring; Our voices we will raise The three in One to sing And thus proclaim In joyful song, Both loud and long. That glorious name.  Here, gracious God, do Thou Forevermore draw nigh; Accept each faithful vow And mark each suppliant sigh. In copious shower On all who pray Each holy day, Thy blessing pour.

4. Here may we gain from heaven The grace which we implore, And may that grace, once given, Be with us evermore Until that day When all the blest To endless rest Are called away!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Sunday, April 3

9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10am Bible Class

Tuesday April 5

7:00 pm School Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 6

4:45pm Confirmation Class 7:00 pm Lent Service

#### Sunday, April 10

9am Palm Sunday Service 10am Sunday School 10am Call Meeting

## USHERS FOR APRIL

#### Sundays

John Bobek, Dan Thiem, Joe Brown, Jim Brown

Wednesday Lent, Maundy Thursday & Late Easter Service

Bob Kirst, Ryan Krueger

Good Friday, Early Easter Service

John Bobek, Dan Thiem

### FRUITS OF FAITH

General - \$ 2875.00 Missions- \$ 6616.87 School Fund- \$ 570.00

### COUNTERS

**This Week Team # 5** Steve Meilahn, Dale Muehlenhaupt

Next Week Team # 6

Wayne Draeger, David draeger

### ATTENDANCE

Sunday Service- 91 Sunday School - 8 Bible Class - 11

## EASTER LILIES

Easter lily signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

April 17, Easter Sunday, Sunrise Service, Easter Brunch, Easter Egg hunt

May 1, Interchurch Adult BB tournament

### EASTER BRUNCH

Easter brunch is a potluck. Everyone who is able please bring something to share. We are asking the men to sign up to set up, serve and clean up. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

### **BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

Faith is hosting an interchurch adult basketball tournament on May I<sup>st</sup>. Anyone interested in playing please sign up on the bulletin board.

## THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Dennis and Mary Snyder and Lila Brown for their help with the cleaning. I am so very grateful for your help. Marsha

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Deut. 32:36–39 Psalm 118:19–29 Phil. 2:5–11 Luke 22:1—23:56

### **CALL NEWS**

Teacher Ross Kok of Holy Cross Lutheran of Phoenix, AZ, has been called to teach K-4 at Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane, WA.

Pastor Tom Naumann of Mount Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI, has returned the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

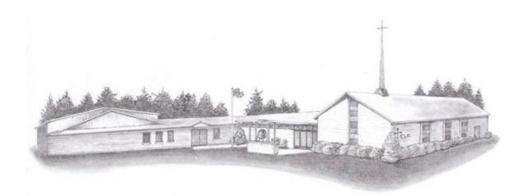
Pastor Mark Tiefel of Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, is still considering the call to Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI.

## Sermon Worksheet

I. We honor God's name when we . . .

2. We honor God's name when we . . .

3. We honor God's name when we . . .



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