



**April 1, 2020**

**We invite you to reflect on this week's theme statement:  
Jesus is accused of forbidding the paying of taxes**

**Opening Hymn: LSB: #427 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"**

*In the Cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.  
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime*

*When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.*

*When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way.  
From the cross, the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.*

*Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure by the cross are sanctified  
Peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.*

**Response:**

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen**

Pastor: By a perversion of justice, Christ was taken away.

**People: Who could have imagined his future?**

Pastor: For he was cut off from the land of the living,

**People: stricken for the transgression of God's people.**

Pastor: Christ was wounded for our transgressions,

**People: crushed for our iniquities;**

Pastor: upon him was the punishment that made us whole,

**People: and by his wounds we are healed.**

**Confession and Forgiveness:**

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

**People: Most merciful God, we confess to you that we have broken your commandments by our own thoughts, words, and deeds. We have stolen from you in our failure to love, serve, and obey you. We have not loved our brothers and sisters as we ought, and we have not cared for your creation. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and give us the healing power of your love that we may walk again in your ways and live to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

Pastor: God is gracious and merciful, and he desires that we be made free of the burden of our sins. Through Jesus Christ, who bore the cross for our sake and for the sake of the whole world, there is healing, hope, and life. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen**

**Hymn: LSB #744 "Amazing Grace"**

*Amazing grace how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did the grace appear the hour I first believed!*

*Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.*

*The Lord has promised good to me; His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures*

**Old Testament Reading: Exodus 20:15**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 23:1-5**

**Sermon Song: "Forgiven"**

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*Well the past is playing with my head,  
And failure knocks me down again  
I'm reminded of the wrong that I have said and done  
And that devil just won't let me forget  
In this life I know what I've been  
But here in Your arms I know what I am*

***I'm forgiven! I'm forgiven!  
And I don't have to carry the weight of who I've been  
'Cause I'm forgiven.***

*My mistakes are running through my mind  
And I relive my days in the middle of the night  
And I struggle with my pain wrestle with my pride  
Sometimes I feel alone and I cry  
In this life I know what I've been  
But here in Your arms I know what I am*

### **CHORUS**

### **BRIDGE:**

*When I don't fit in And I don't feel like I belong anywhere  
When I don't measure up to much in this life  
Oh I'm a treasure in the arms of Christ*

### **CHORUS**

## **Sermon**

### **Prayers of the People**

Pastor: Let us pray for the Church, for all in need, and for the whole of God's creation. That throughout these forty days of Lent, you may give your people the hope in Jesus, our Lord, who leads the way and takes into his body on the cross the sins of the whole world.

**People: Heal us, O God.**

Pastor: For all that you provide us in this life and for all that you provide for all people everywhere, that we may put away envy and be grateful for your gifts.

**People: Heal us, O God.**

Pastor: That we may recognize those in need, especially the hungry and the poor, pray for them, work for change in government for their good, and seek to uphold them from the resources of our own charity.

**People: Heal us, O God.**

Pastor: That those who are sick or suffering may be blessed with better health and wholeness.

**People: Heal us, O God.**

Pastor: For those who are dying that, leaving all their earthly things behind, they may come to embrace the greater treasures in your eternal presence.

**People: Heal us, O God.**

Pastor: Into your healing, wounded hands for our sake, we commend all for whom we pray.

**People: By Christ's wounds we are healed. Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

### **Blessing:**

Pastor: May the healing presence of almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **People: Amen**

### **Closing Hymn: LSB #878 vs 1 & 6 "Abide with Me"**

*Abide with me, fast falls the eventide  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me*

*Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

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April 10 – Good Friday service 7:00 p.m.

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