

Peace Lutheran Church

Ash Wednesday - 1100 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

February 17, 2010

PRELUDE

HYMN *Jesus I Will Ponder Now* 440 (1 - 3)

*INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen. (Sung)**

RESPONSIVE REFLECTION - Isaiah 55:6-11

L: Turn to the Lord and pray to Him, now that He is near.

C: **Let the wicked leave their way of life and change their way of thinking.**

L: Let them turn to the Lord, our God.

C: **He is merciful and quick to forgive.**

L: "My thoughts," says the Lord, "are not like yours, and My ways are different from yours."

C: **As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are My ways and thoughts above yours.**

L: My word is like the snow and the rain that come down from the sky to water the earth.

C: **They make the crops grow and provide seed for planting and food to eat.**

L: So also will be the word that I speak.

C: **It will not fail to do what I plan for it; it will do everything I send it to do.**

THE EPISTLE READING

II Corinthians 5:20b-6:2

CHANCEL CHOIR (7:00)

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6:1-6

HYMN *O Christ, You Walked the Road* 424

SERMON Herod, Profile of Religious Trifling Luke 23:1-9

OFFERING *During the offering all worshippers are asked to fill out an ivory or blue card found in the pew rack. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

VOLUNTARY

HYMN (Sung as offering is brought to the altar.)

**Jesus, Lord, my heart renew, Let me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from you. Peace despite my losses.
May I give you love for love! Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heav'n above Sing your praise forever.**

*THE CONFESSION OF SINS

L: Let us confess our sins before God.

C: **Gracious Lord, I have sinned greatly against You and others. It is hard to understand that You have already forgiven my sins by the blood of Your Son. I am sorry for all my wrongs committed in thought, word, and deed, and I ask for the continued assurance of Your grace and mercy that, through the power of the Holy Spirit, I may strive to live my life to Your glory. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

C: **Amen.**

A LITANY FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

L: O God the Father in heaven, O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful.

C: Have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.

L: Remember not, gracious Lord, our offenses against us, but forgive us Your people whom You have redeemed with Your most precious blood,

C: Spare us, Good Lord.

L: From all blindness of spirit, from all hardness of heart, from all sins of ease and gossip,

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

L: From all pride, from all envy, from all hatred, great or small,

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

L: From all inordinate and sinful affections,
From all deceits of the devil, the world and our flesh,
From the tempting memory of past transgressions,

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

L: From friendship with the world, from lust of power and from the worship of mammon.

C: Lord, save Your church.

L: From forsaking our first love; from unfaithfulness in tribulation; from toleration of untruth and uncleanness; from failing to hold fast the things You have committed to us; from having only a name that we live, when we are dead; from falling in the hour of temptation; and from being neither hot nor cold:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

L: In all time of danger, in the face of any foe, in the hours which call for Your guidance,

C: Good Lord, be with us and grant us Your peace and blessing evermore, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit. (Sung)

L: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them up unto the Lord. (Sung)

L: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: It is meet and right so to do. (Sung)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen. (Sung)

THE AGNUS DEI (sung)

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

HYMN

**Lord, Jesus Christ, my Life, my Light, My strength by day, my Trust by night,
On earth I'm but a passing guest And sorely with my sins opprest.**

**Far off I see my fatherland, Where through Thy blood I hope to stand.
But ere I reach that Paradise, A weary way before me lies.**

**My heart sinks at the journey's length, My wasted flesh has little strength;
My soul alone still cries in me: "Lord, take me home, take me to Thee!"**

**Oh, let Thy sufferings give me power To meet the last and darkest hour!
Thy blood refresh and comfort me; Thy bonds and fetters make me free.**

**Oh, let Thy holy wounds for me, Clefts in the rock forever be;
Where as a dove my soul can hide, And safe from Satan's rage abide.**

**And when my spirit flies away, Thy dying words shall be my stay.
Thy cross shall be my staff in life, Thy holy grave my rest from strife.**

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (Sung)

Lord, now lettest Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

L: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And His mercy endures forever. (Sung)

L: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Amen. (Sung)

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit. (Sung)

L: Bless we the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. (Sung)

THE BENEDICTION

Amen. Amen. Amen. (Sung)

THE CLOSING HYMN *Abide With Me* 878 (1 & 6)

POSTLUDE *Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadow* Paul Manz

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Rev. Eldon Winker

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Organist: 11:00 a.m. - Sherry Bierwagen, DMM

7:00 - Alice Kastens

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