

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 18, 2018

Worship Focus

Seriously! – Glory Starts with Humiliation

**“ALTHOUGH
HE WAS A
SON,
HE LEARNED
OBEDIENCE
THROUGH WHAT
HE SUFFERED.”**



Hebrews 5:8

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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Common Service with Communion

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OPENING HYMN

100 - A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, Our guilt and
2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The Lamb of
3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll bear what
4 From morn till eve, in all I do, I'll praise you,



e - vil bear - ing And, lad - en with the sins of earth,
God, our Sav - ior; Him God the Fa - ther chose to send
you com - mand me. My will con - forms to your de - cree;
Christ, my trea - sure. To sac - ri - fice my - self for you



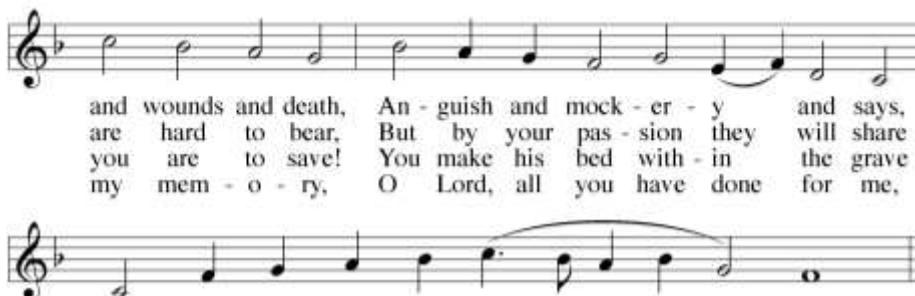
None else the bur - den shar - ing. Goes pa - tient on,
To gain for us his fa - vor. "Go forth, my Son,"
I'll do what you have asked me." O won - drous Love,
Shall be my aim and plea - sure. My stream of life



grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with - out com - plaint,
the Fa - ther said, "And free my chil - dren from their dread
what have you done! The Fa - ther of - fers up his Son,
shall ev - er be A cur - rent flow - ing cease - less - ly,



That spot - less life to of - fer, Bears shame and stripes
Of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and stripes
De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how strong
Your con - stant praise out - pour - ing. I'll trea - sure in



and wounds and death, An - guish and mock - er - y and says,
 are hard to bear, But by your pas - sion they will share
 you are to save! You make his bed with - in the grave
 my mem - o - ry, O Lord, all you have done for me,

"Will - ing all this I suf - fer."
 The fruit of your sal - va - tion."
 Who built the earth's foun - da - tion,
 Your gra - cious love a - dor - ing.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt.
 Tune: AN WASSERFLUSSEN BABYLON (87 87 887 887) Wolfgang Dachstein, c. 1487–1553.

INVOCATION

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



Congregation A - men.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.

LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in C major. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy". The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics: "on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us." The notes are simple quarter and eighth notes, with a key signature of one flat (Bb).

ABSOLUTION

M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: A - men.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in C major. The melody consists of a few notes: a quarter note, followed by a half note, and then a quarter note. The key signature is one flat (Bb).

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.

C: And al - so with you.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in C major. The melody consists of a quarter note, followed by a half note, and then a quarter note. The key signature is one flat (Bb).

M Let us pray.

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in C major. The melody consists of a quarter note, followed by a half note, and then a quarter note. The key signature is one flat (Bb).



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 31:31-34

Nothing that Jesus suffers is because of his own guilt, rather in humility he bears the New Covenant of forgiveness for our sins. Already in Jeremiah's day the prophet could see the glory of that New Covenant enacted by God's grace.

JEREMIAH 31:31 "The time is coming," declares the LORD,
"when I will make a new covenant
with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah.

³² It will not be like the covenant
I made with their forefathers
when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt,
because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,"
declares the LORD.

³³ "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel
after that time," declares the LORD.
"I will put my law in their minds
and write it on their hearts.
I will be their God,
and they will be my people.

³⁴ No longer will a man teach his neighbor,
or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,'
because they will all know me,
from the least of them to the greatest,"
declares the LORD.

"For I will forgive their wickedness
and will remember their sins no more."

PSALM

Psalm 143

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*Women are asked to sing the first line of each verse, and men the second line.
All sing refrain and Gloria.*



(Women) O LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for | mercy;*
(Men) in your faithfulness and righteousness come to | my relief.

Do not bring your servant into | judgment,*
for no one living is righteous be | fore you.

My spirit grows faint with | in me;*
my heart within me | is dismayed.

Refrain

Answer me quick | ly, O LORD;*
do not hide your | face from me.

Let the morning bring me word of your un | failing love,*
for I have put my | trust in you.

Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God;*
may your good Spirit lead me on | level ground.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON Hebrews 5:7-9

Out of love for us, the Father did not answer Jesus' cries at once, nor did Jesus cut short his time of anguish because he did not want us to suffer what he suffered. By patient endurance and humiliation, he became our perfect Savior.

HEBREWS 5:7 During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered ⁹ and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

VERSE OF THE DAY

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45 cf. NIV)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the announcement of the Gospel the congregation responds:



GOSPEL John 12:20-33

Jesus makes these three astonishing announcements: His glory begins with his humiliation; he has come to suffer; he has come to die! As troubling as those sound, Jesus looks forward to the fruit of his Passion – that by the cross he might draw us to himself.

JOHN 12:20 Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the Feast. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. “Sir,” they said, “we would like to see Jesus.” ²² Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus.

²³ Jesus replied, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. ²⁵ The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever

serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

²⁷ “Now my heart is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name!”

Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.” ²⁹ The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

³⁰ Jesus said, “This voice was for your benefit, not mine. ³¹ Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. ³² But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself.” ³³ He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!



CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried,

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

110 - My Song Is Love Unknown



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
2 He came from his blest throne, Sal - va - tion to be -
3 Some - times they strew his way And his sweet prais - es
4 Why? What has my Lord done? What makes this rage and
5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might
stow, But such dis - dain! So few The longed - for
sing, Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas
spite? He made the lame to run; He gave the
way. A mur - der - er they save; The Prince of



love - ly be. Oh, who am I That for my
Christ would know! But oh, my friend, My friend in -
to their King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their
blind their sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at
life they slay. Yet cheer - ful he To suff'ring



sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
deed, Who at my need His life did spend!
breath, And for his death They thirst and cry.
these Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst him rise.
goes That he his foes From death might free.

6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was his home
But mine the tomb
Wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing;
No story so divine,
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like thine.
This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!

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SERMON

John 12:27-33

God Finds Glory in Unexpected Places



PRAISE AND PRAYER

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Christian Church, that our Lord God would defend her against all the assaults and temptations of the adversary and keep her perpetually on the true foundation, Jesus Christ:

Brief silence for personal prayer

Holy, mighty, and immortal God, have mercy on us. You have revealed Jesus Christ alone to be the way, the truth and the life. Protect Your Church from the temptation to compromise this message of salvation, as well as from the temptation to remain silent, that Your pure Word, passionately proclaimed and guided by the Holy Spirit, may be an occasion for all nations to worship and praise You in this life and in life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all the ministers of the Word, for all vocations in the church and for all the people of God:

Brief silence for personal prayer

Holy, mighty, and immortal God, have mercy on us. You have called upon us to pray to You as dear children ask their dear Father. Hear us for the sake of Your Son, who fulfilled His vocation by His atoning death on the cross and life-giving resurrection. Bless and guide all who preach and all who hear, that Your Christians, in the varied vocations You have given them, may serve You by serving their neighbors; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty:

Brief silence for personal prayer

Holy, mighty, and immortal God, have mercy on us. You have ordained the service of men and angels. Remember our president; the Congress and Judiciary of the United States; our governor; and all who make, administer and judge our laws, that all who

receive the sword as Your servants and avengers may bear it according to Your Word and for the safety and temporal blessing of those You have given them to serve; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray to our Lord God Almighty, that He would deliver the world from all error, take away disease, ward off famine, set free those in bondage, grant health to the sick and a safe journey to all who travel:

Brief silence for personal prayer

Holy, mighty, and immortal God, have mercy on us. Have mercy upon all who call upon You in their time of need [*especially Your servants _____*]. Give us this day and every day our daily bread as well as the knowledge that You are the Giver of every good and perfect gift, that we may receive our daily bread with thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for our enemies, that God would remember them in mercy and graciously grant them such things as are both needful for them and profitable for their salvation:

Brief silence for personal prayer

Holy, mighty, and immortal God, have mercy on us. Grant that we would not return evil for evil, but that we may turn the other cheek, go the extra mile and do good to all. Bless our enemies, that they may become friends. Turn the hearts of all who would persecute us for Your name, that they may confess You with us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE and PROPER PREFACES

M The Lord be with you.



M Lift up your hearts.



M Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)'. It consists of six staves of music in a single system, all written on a treble clef staff with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff begins with 'C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:'. The second staff continues with 'heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -'. The third staff continues with 'na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.'. The fourth staff continues with 'Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who'. The fifth staff continues with 'comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -'. The sixth staff concludes with 'na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.'. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and a final double bar line at the end of the sixth staff.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

726 - Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken



1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, un - shak - en
2 Mi - chael fought the heav'n - ly bat - tle,
3 Long on earth the bat - tle rag - es,
4 Je - sus came, this word ful - fill - ing,
5 Swift as light - ning falls the ty - rant
6 Je - sus, send your an - gel le - gions



By the dev - il's seeth - ing rage,
God - ly an - gels by his side;
Since the ser - pent's first de - ceit
Tram - pled Sa - tan, death de - fied;
From his heav'n - ly perch on high,
When the foe would us en - slave.



Thwarts the plan of Sa - tan's min - ions;
Warred a - gainst the an - cient ser - pent,
Twist - ed God's com - mand to Ad - am,
Bore the brunt of our temp - ta - tion,
As the word of Je - sus' vic - t'ry
Hold us fast when sin as - saults us;



Wins the strife from age to age;
Foiled the beast, so full of pride,
Made for - bid - den fruit look sweet.
On the wretch - ed tree he died.
Floods the earth and fills the sky.
Come then, Lord, your peo - ple save.



Con - quers sin and death for - ev - er;
Cast him earth - bound with his an - gels;
Then the curse of God was spok - en:
Yet to life was raised vic - to - rious;
Wound - ed by a wound e - ter - nal
O - ver - throw at last the drag - on;



Slams them in their steel - y cage.
Now he prowls, un - sat - is - fied.
"You'll lie crushed be - neath his feet!"
By his life our life sup - plied.
Now his judg - ment has drawn nigh!
Send him to his fier - y grave.

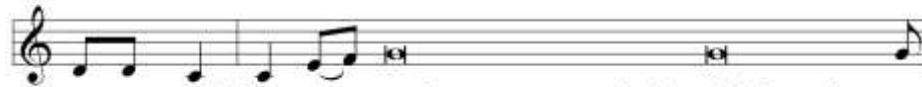
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THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON (*Nunc Dimittis*)



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-



pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

M O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

M We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Glorify
YOUR
NAME

CLOSING HYMN

256 - How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der
2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der,
3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing,
4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac-c-la-ma-tion



Con-sid-er all the works thy hand hath made,
And hear the birds sing sweet-ly in the trees;
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!



I see the stars, I hear the might-y thun-der,
When I look down from loft-y moun-tain gran-deur
That on the cross my bur-den glad-ly bear-ing
Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-ra-tion



Thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played,
And hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze,
He bled and died to take a-way my sin,
And there pro-claim: "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior-God, to thee, "How great thou



art! How great thou art!" Then sings my soul, my



Sav-ior-God to thee, "How great thou art! How great thou art!"

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