

Lent 2021

**Sir, we wish
to SEE Jesus.**



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021

ONLINE WORSHIP — 9:30AM

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PRELUDE *What Wondrous Love Is This?*, arr. by Patrick M. Liebergen

GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PASTOR: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

ALL: **Amen.**

PASTOR: God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion

Silence is kept for reflection.

PASTOR: Fountain of living water,

ALL: **pour out your mercy over us. Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free. Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood. Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as healers and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.**

PASTOR: Beloved, God's word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are † forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus.

ALL: **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* ELW 325,
arr. by Dan Mitchell

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me; walk with
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

me; I want Je - sus to walk with me;
when in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me; walk with
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

me; all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me. walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

PASTOR: Let us pray together.

ALL: **O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



WORD

READING Genesis 17:1-7 & 15-16

GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON *Life Preservers*



HYMN OF THE DAY *Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said* ELW 667

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

1 "Take up your cross," the Sav - ior said,
2 Take up your cross; let not its weight
3 Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,
4 Take up your cross and fol - low Christ,

"if you would my dis - ci - ple be;
per - vade your soul with vain a - larm;
nor let your fool - ish heart re - bel;
nor think till death to lay it down;

for - sake the past, and come this day,
his strength shall bear your spir - it up,
for you the Lord en - dured the cross
for those who hum - bly bear the cross

and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me."
sus - tain your heart, and nerve your arm.
to save your soul from death and hell.
one day will wear the glo - rious crown.

Text: Charles W. Everest, 1814–1877, alt.

Music: BOURBON, W. Hauser, *Hesperian Harp*, 1848; arr. hymnal version

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LENTEN LITANY

Pastor: Sir, we wish to see Jesus. We wish to see Jesus in all places of our lives.

ALL: In the places that we build up walls, in the places where we hide from ourselves.

Pastor: We wish to see Jesus. See Jesus in the flesh in our neighbor

ALL: and to love our neighbor with all our hearts.

Pastor: We long to see Jesus, even as we deny him.

ALL: Even when we run from him. Even when we cast him out. Sir, we wish to see Jesus.

Pastor: The time has come. Those who love their life lose it,

ALL: and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

Pastor: We wish to see Jesus. We long to see Jesus.

ALL: The time has come. May our heart and eyes be open to see. Amen.

OFFERING *The Old Rugged Cross*—Voice Choirs of CtK and Messiah Lutheran
**This collaboration is dedicated to Steve Hansen, to celebrate the progress he has made toward managing his recent struggles with an autoimmune disease and to give him our love and strength for the journey ahead.*

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Christ the King Lutheran Church

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THANK YOU for your faithfulness.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Each prayer petition will end with: Hear us, O God.
You are invited to respond: **Your mercy is great.***

READER: We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASTOR: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

ALL: **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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

PASTOR: You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you ✠ that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

ALL: **Amen.**

Let us go on our way with singing.

SENDING HYMN *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* ELW 802

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross.
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead



through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.
Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.
he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.
that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,



On - ward in his foot - steps tread - ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,
Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy:
Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;
we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.
all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.
in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.
Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.
Je - sus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.
Je - sus, let me faith - ful be; life e - ter - nal grant to me.

Text: Sigismund von Birken, 1626–1681; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.

Music: LASSET UNS MIT JESU ZIEHEN, Georg G. Boltze, 18th cent.

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DISMISSAL

PASTOR: Go in peace. Share the good news.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Ah, Holy Jesus*, arr. by Carolyn Jennings





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