



**MIDWEEK—LENT 1**

**FEBRUARY 21, 2024**

*\*congregation stands*

## **AS WE GATHER**

Since the fall into sin, no part of our human nature has escaped the ravages of original sin. Not only has sin separated us from God to our spiritual detriment, but our bodies, created for perfect health, endure sickness and injury. King David announces God's answer to this catastrophe in Psalm 41:3: "The Lord sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness You restore him to full health." This is a beautiful promise, but what does it mean for you and your infirmities? As all the Scriptures bear witness to Jesus, the gifts contained in these words are only revealed by your Baptism into Him by whose wounds we are healed.

## **INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

*Psalm 30:1–5*

- P I will extol You, O LORD, for You have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me.  
C **O LORD my God, I cried to You for help, and You have healed me.**  
P O LORD, You have brought up my soul from Sheol; You restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.  
C **Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints, and give thanks to His holy name.**  
P For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime.  
C **Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

- P Let us make our confession to our God, seeking His grace and forgiveness.

## ABSOLUTION

- P The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.  
 C **Amen.**

## SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.  
 C **And also with you.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

## PSALM

*Psalm 41*

- A Blessed is the one who considers the poor!  
 C **In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him;**  
 A the LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land;  
 C **You do not give him up to the will of his enemies.**  
 A The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness You restore him to full health.  
 C **As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against You!"**  
 A My enemies say of me in malice, "When will he die and his name perish?"  
 C **And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad.**  
 A All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me.  
 C **They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies."**  
 A Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.  
 C **But You, O LORD, be gracious to me, and raise me up, that I may repay them!**  
 P By this I know that You delight in me: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.  
 C **But You have upheld me because of my integrity, and set me in Your presence forever.**

**Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.**

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

## EPISTLE

*James 5:7–18*

<sup>7</sup>Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. <sup>8</sup>You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. <sup>9</sup>Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. <sup>10</sup>As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

<sup>12</sup>But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your “yes” be yes and your “no” be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

<sup>13</sup>Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup>Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

A O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## \*HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 8:14–17*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>And when Jesus entered Peter’s house, he saw his mother-in-law lying sick with a fever. <sup>15</sup>He touched her hand, and the fever left her, and she rose and began to serve him. <sup>16</sup>That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick. <sup>17</sup>This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: “He took our illnesses and bore our diseases.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## SERMON HYMN

## JESUS, GRANT THAT BALM AND HEALING

**LSB 421, vs. 1, 4**

## SERMON

## HYMN OF RESPONSE

## MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

**LSB 430, vs. 1, 2**

## OFFERING

## \*THE LITANY

P O Lord,

C **have mercy.**

P O Christ,

C **have mercy.**

P O Lord,

C **have mercy.**

P O Christ,

C **hear us.**

P God the Father in heaven,

C **have mercy.**  
P God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
C **have mercy.**  
P God the Holy Spirit,  
C **have mercy.**  
P Be gracious to us.  
C **Spare us, good Lord.**  
P Be gracious to us.  
C **Help us, good Lord.**  
P From all sin, from all error, from all evil;  
From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death;  
From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion;  
From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:  
C **Good Lord, deliver us.**  
P By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;  
By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and  
passion; by Your precious death and burial;  
By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:  
C **Help us, good Lord.**  
P In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of  
judgment:  
C **Help us, good Lord.**  
P We poor sinners implore You  
C **to hear us, O Lord.**  
P To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in  
the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;  
To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred  
and are deceived;  
To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany  
Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:  
C **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**  
  
P To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted  
and the distressed:  
C **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**  
P To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our  
country Your protection in every time of need;  
To direct and defend our [*president/queen/king*] and all in authority; to bless and protect our  
magistrates and all our people;  
To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who  
travel;  
To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their  
blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them;  
To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have  
mercy on us all:

C **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

P To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

C **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

P Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

C **we implore You to hear us.**

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C **have mercy.**

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C **have mercy.**

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C **grant us Your peace.**

P O Christ,

C **hear us.**

P O Lord,

C **have mercy.**

P O Christ,

C **have mercy.**

P O Lord,

C **have mercy. Amen.**

### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

C **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.**

### **\*LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

C **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong,**

**and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.  
 C **Amen.**

**HYMN TO DEPART**

**GLORY BE TO JESUS**

**LSB 433, vs. 1, 2, 6**

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**Serving our Lord**

		February 21, 2024	February 28, 2024
Supper	5:15pm-	TLO School Teachers	TLO Quilters
Musician	6:30pm	Diane Streich	Marsha Workman
Cantor	6:30pm	Andy Koch	Dave Workman
Altar Guild	6:30pm	Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger	Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger
Elder(s)	6:30pm	Bill Breitinger	Kurt Vallin
Reader	6:30pm	Andy Olson	Kurt Vallin
Usher	6:30pm	Andy Olson	Ben Swenson
Acolyte	6:30pm	Open	Dana Vallin
Projection	6:30pm	Jean Peterson	Open
Live	6:30pm	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas