



Lent Midweek 4
Who Will Take the Garbage Out?
March 10, 2021

AS WE GATHER

Who will take the garbage out? Zechariah knows. In the prophet's seventh vision, the LORD's Messenger removes the garbage for all people for all time!

***INVOCATION**

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

***OPENING SENTENCES**

P Behold, your King comes to you—
C **Righteous and having salvation.**
P Speaking peace to the nations.
C **And ruling from sea to sea—**
P To the ends of the earth!
C **God's kingdom comes—**
P To us!
C **Through Jesus Christ our Lord!**

HYMN

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

LSB 435, vs. 1–3



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined
 2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -
 3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain
 out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,
 tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -
 From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and
 Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.
 make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.
 will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.

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***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- P Come to Calvary's holy mountain, sinners ruined by the fall.
 C **Here a pure and healing fountain flows for you, for me for all.**
 P In a full, perpetual tide—
 C **Opened when our Savior died!**
 P Coming to Calvary's holy mountain, we confess our sins.

Silence for reflection and confession

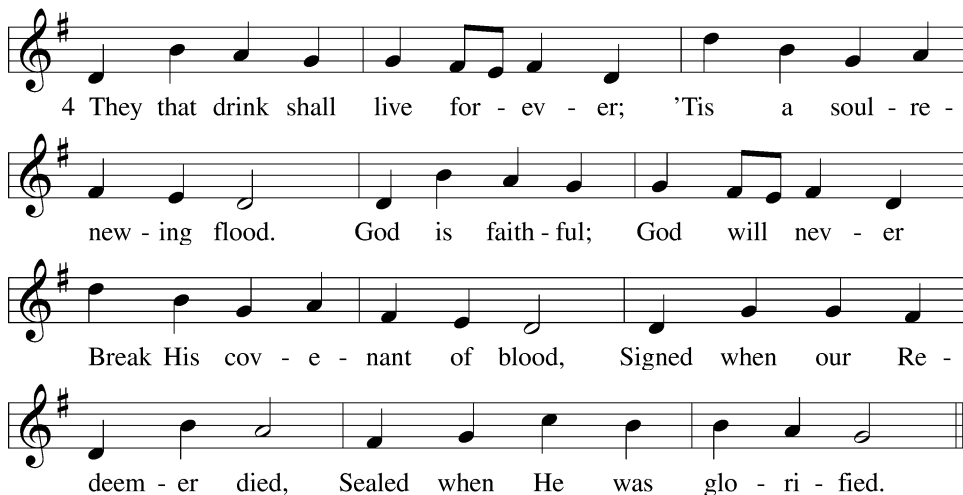
- P Merciful Father—
 C **I am wrapped up in myself.**
 P I cling to comfort and choose the easy way.
 C **I want tweaking, not transformation.**
 P Greed, envy, intolerance and jealousy mark my life.
 C **I fail to learn, and what I have learned, I fail to practice.**
 P I judge others with a standard I never use for myself.
 C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

- P Zechariah 13:1 states, "On that day there will be a fountain opened to cleanse from sin and uncleanness." Because of Christ's cross and crucifixion—Zechariah's day is today. Here, a pure and healing fountain flows for you, for me, for all. In a full, perpetual tide opened when our Savior died. In Jesus' name, you are absolved, forgiven and loved! God's kingdom comes to us—
- C **Through Jesus Christ our Lord!**

HYMN

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

LSB 435, vs. 4



4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -
deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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RESPONSORY

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

- P Let us pray. Heavenly Father, in Zechariah's seventh vision, you take away the sin of Judeans. We thank and praise you that in a much greater way you take away the sin of the world through the sacrificial Lamb—Jesus Christ our Lord. We pray in his powerful and priceless name.
- C **Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT

Zechariah 5:5–11

⁵Then the angel who talked with me came forward and said to me, "Lift your eyes and see what this is that is going out." ⁶And I said, "What is it?" He said, "This is the basket that is going out." And he said, "This is their iniquity in all the land." ⁷And behold, the leaden cover was lifted, and there was a woman sitting in the basket! ⁸And he said, "This is Wickedness." And he thrust her back into the basket, and thrust down the leaden weight on its opening.

⁹Then I lifted my eyes and saw, and behold, two women coming forward! The wind was in their wings. They had wings like the wings of a stork, and they lifted up the basket between earth and heaven. ¹⁰Then I

said to the angel who talked with me, "Where are they taking the basket?" ¹¹He said to me, "To the land of Shinar, to build a house for it. And when this is prepared, they will set the basket down there on its base."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:17–21

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 5:1–13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

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

¹They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. ²And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. ³He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, ⁴for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. ⁵Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and bruising himself with stones. ⁶And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. ⁷And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." ⁸For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" ⁹And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." ¹⁰And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. ¹¹Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, ¹²and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." ¹³So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out, and entered the pigs, and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and were drowned in the sea.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Who Will Take Out the Garbage?

HYMN

Just As I Am, Without One Plea

LSB 570, vs. 1, 2, 5



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy
2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my
5 Just as I am, Thou wilt re - ceive, Wilt wel - come,



blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to
soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each
par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; Be - cause Thy prom - ise I be -



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Our King comes to us, righteous and having salvation. May God hear our prayers,
because of our crucified and risen King—Christ Jesus.

Brief silence for reflection

P Heavenly Father, we invite you into our lives—

C **We make ourselves available to your holy will.**

P Help us become living examples of your love in the world.

C **Open our hearts to the areas of our lives that need to change—**

P So we carry out the mission of our church—

C **Connecting People to Jesus.**

P Inspire us to live the Christian life—

C **In ways that are dynamic and engaging.**

P Bring renewal to our church.

C **And make us hunger and thirst for more of Jesus.**

P Give us courage when we are afraid.

C **Hope when we are discouraged.**

P And clarity in times of decision.

P They that drink shall live forever, 'tis a soul renewing flood.
C **God is faithful, God will never, break his covenant of blood.**

P Signed when our Redeemer died—
C **Sealed when he was glorified. 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.**

*BENEDICTION

P Behold, your King comes to you--
C **Righteous and having salvation.**
P Speaking peace to the nations.
C **And ruling from sea to sea.**
P To the ends of the earth!
C **God's kingdom comes--**
P To us!
C **By His Spirit.**
P God's kingdom comes through us--
C **To the ends of the earth!**
All: Amen.

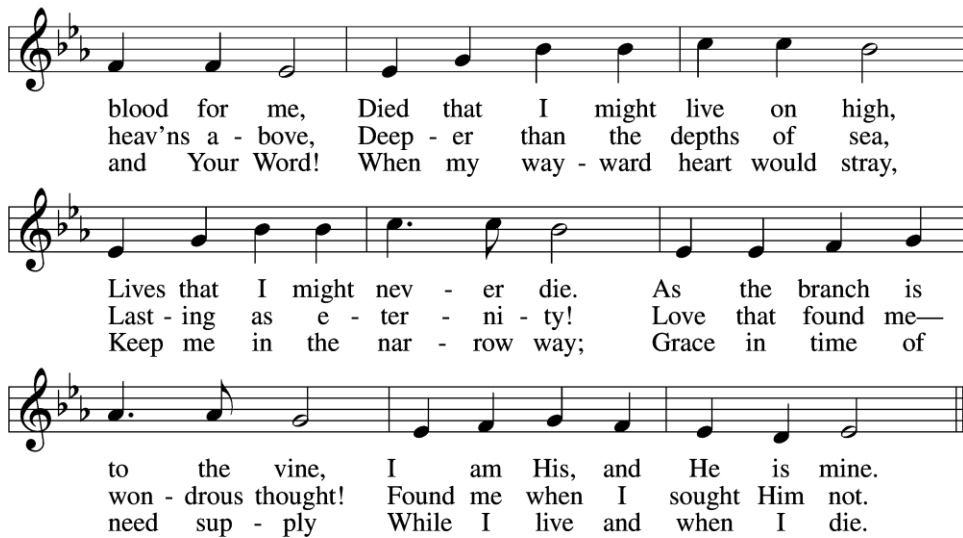
HYMN TO DEPART

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

LSB 611, vs. 1, 2, 5



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,

Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of

to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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SILENT PRAYER

Who will take the garbage out? Jesus, you will—all of it. Thank you, forever! Amen.

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Serving our Lord this evening

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Preacher: Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing

Elder: Sam Erdman

Usher: Layne Streich

Organist: Marissa Bernau

Cantor: Andy Koch

Altar Guild: Roxanne Foley and Irlene Schuster

Live Stream: Jim Nicklas

Projectionist: Jean Peterson



Join us for Holy Week Worship



Palm Sunday—Sunday, March 28

8:00am* and 10:30am Worship with Holy Communion
Expectations Meet Reality (*Zechariah 9:9-10*)



Maundy Thursday—Thursday, April 1

6:30pm Worship with Holy Communion
Covenant Blood (*Zechariah 9:11-12*)



Good Friday—Friday, April 2

6:30pm* Worship
God is Dead! (*Zechariah 12:10-14*)



Easter—Sunday, April 4

8:00am* and 10:30am Worship with Holy Communion
All Things New! (*Zechariah 14:8-11*)