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## Fourth Midweek Lenten Service

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6:30 pm



## Three Words



of

# TRUTH

"I Am He"

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**Welcome!** In the name of our risen Savior we welcome you to Mt. Olive and thank you for worshipping with us. If you are a guest, please fill out a “**Get Connected!**” card (found in front of you in the hymnbook rack). We invite you to come and worship with us again soon. **Large Print** copies of the order of service from the ELS Hymnary are available from the usher stand in the back of the sanctuary.

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*Order of Service, Vespers (p. 120)*

~**Hymn 292, vv. 1-4 O Dearest Jesus**

~**Confession of Sin** — *Admitting our sinfulness to God*

*(ELH p. 120)*

P: Dearly beloved! We have come together in the presence of God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at His hand, to set forth His most worthy praise, to hear His holy Word, and to ask for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and salvation. O come, let us worship Him! Let us kneel and bow down before Him. Let us confess our sins with penitent hearts, and obtain forgiveness by His infinite grace and mercy.

**C: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the devices and desires of our hearts. We have offended against Your holy law. We have done those things which we should not have done, and we have not done those things which we should have done. Have mercy on us, O Lord! Spare us and restore us, according to the promises You have declared to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. For His sake grant that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name.**

P: The almighty and merciful Lord has granted us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins, grace for true repentance and amendment of life, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Versicles** — *Opening prayers*

*(ELH p. 120-121)*

P: O Lord, open my lips.

**C: ♪ And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

**C: ♪ Make haste to help me, O Lord. 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: forevermore. Amen.**

~**Psalmody: Psalm 33**

*(read responsively)*

P: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful.

**C: Praise the LORD with the harp; Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings.**

P: Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy.

**C: For the word of the LORD is right, and all His work is done in truth.**

P: He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.

**C: By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.**

P: He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deep in storehouses.

**C: Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.**

P: For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.

**C: The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect.**

P: The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations.

**C: Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance.**

P: The LORD looks from heaven; He sees all the sons of men.

**C: From the place of His dwelling He looks on all the inhabitants of the earth;**

P: He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works.

**C: No king is saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength.**

P: A horse is a vain hope for safety; Neither shall it deliver any by its great strength.

**C: Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His mercy,**

P: To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.

**C: Our soul waits for the LORD; He is our help and our shield.**

P: For our heart shall rejoice in Him, because we have trusted in His holy name.

**C: Let Your mercy, O LORD, be upon us, just as we hope in You.**

**ALL: 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, forever more. Amen.**

~**Duet:** *My Song Is Love Unknown* (arr. Carl Schalk)

~**The Passion History #3**

~**Responsory**

(ELH p. 122)

P: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: ♪ **Thanks be to You, O Lord!**

~**Chief Hymn 297** *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted*

~**Sermon Text**

**John 18:3-9** So Judas came to the garden, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and the Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns and weapons. Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to Him, went out and asked them, "Who is it you want?" "Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "I am He," Jesus said. (And Judas the traitor was standing there with them.) When Jesus said, "I am He," they drew back and fell to the ground. Again He asked them, "Who is it you want?" "Jesus of Nazareth," they said. Jesus answered, "I told you that I am He. If you are looking for Me, then let these men go." This happened so that the words He had spoken would be fulfilled: "I have not lost one of those you gave me."

~**Sermon Theme:** *"Three Words of Truth: I Am He"*

~**Offering**

*(The members of Mt. Olive give offerings as a joyful response to what God has given them. These offerings support the work of Gospel ministry in our community and around the world. **Visitors:** Please do not feel obligated to participate in this offering. We ask you to fill out a "Get Connected!" card and place that in the offering plate.)*

~**Versicle**

(ELH p. 122)

P: Let my prayers rise before You as incense:

C: ♪ **And the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

~Nunc Dimittis — “Now I Depart”

(ELH p. 124; Lk. 2:29-32)

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The time signature is 8/8. The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with chords and single notes.

1. Lord, now You let Your servant de- part in peace:
2. For my eyes have seen Your Sal- va- tion:
- >3. A Light to light- en the Gen- tiles:
4. Glo- ry be to the Father and to the Son
5. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev- er shall be:

The second system of musical notation continues from the first system, with two staves (treble and bass clefs) in the same key and time signature. It concludes with a double bar line.

1. accord- ing to Your Word;
2. which You have prepared before the face of all peo- ple;
- >3. and the glory of Your peo- ple Isra- el.
4. and to the Ho- ly Ghost.
5. forev- er- more. A- men.

~Kyrie — “Lord, Have Mercy”

(ELH p. 124)

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

~Lord's Prayer

(ELH p. 125; Mt 6:9-13)

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 pow'r and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

~**Collect** — *Evening prayer*

(ELH p. 126-127, #2)

P: Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us in the end of the day, in the end of our life, and in the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair when death shall come. Abide with us and with all the faithful through time and eternity.

**C:** ♪ **Amen.**

~**Benedicamus** — *Call for blessing*

(ELH p. 127; Ps 103:2)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C:** ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

~**Benediction** — *Final blessing for God's people*

(ELH p. 127; 2 Cor 13:14)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** ♪ **Amen.**

~ **Hymn 569, v. 5** "*Lord Jesus, Who Dost Love Me*"

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*Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich / Preacher: Pastor Marques Nelson*

*Pianist/Accompanist: Kristin Matzke*

*Duet: Marie MacPherson, Dan Neubauer*

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## **Midweek Lenten Services: April 3 – April 10, 2019** ***“Three Words of Truth” Lenten Series + Mt. Olive***

**April 3: Midweek Lent 5 — Pr. Dan Witte (Trinity)**

*“Watch and Pray” Matthew 26:35-41*

**April 10: Midweek Lent 6 — Pr. Keith Siverly (St. Mark’s)**

*“What Is Truth?” John 118:33-40*

### **Midweek Lenten Menus**

(Meals served from 5:00 – 6:15 PM)

**April 3:** Junior Youth Group serves *pulled pork sandwiches*

**April 10:** MOMs serves *Hot Dish Extravaganza*

### **Holy Week Services**

**April 18: Maundy Thursday**

6:30 PM: Divine Service & Tenebrae, with Holy Communion

**April 19: Good Friday**

Noon: Tre Ore, St. Paul’s, North Mankato

6:30 PM: Divine Service, with Holy Communion

**April 21: Easter**

7:30 AM: Sunrise Service

8:30 AM: Easter Breakfast

10AM: Festival Service, with Holy Communion