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10 AM By phone 1(888) 788-0099 Meeting ID 886 7604 5376 for Personal ID use “ # ”

We are on Zoom and have established an 800 number for those who wish to use their phone to connect and not be charged long distance. Our weekly invitation link can also be used by Wi-Fi connection. The Zoom computer connection or 800 number is a good way for you to have our service available to you and your family and friends. **1(888) 788-0099** is the free 800 phone number . For Sunday worship the meeting ID is **886 7604 5376**, no personal ID is required. Just hit the # sign when asked for personal ID. If you have a smart phone you can enter with video connection or not. If you do not get in please call 385-234-1931 before 10 AM and I will try to help you connect.

The easiest way to come on Zoom by computer is to have an invitation email with a link. You will need to send your email address to me or Susan, so we can send out an invitation with a link to our meeting. If you notice someone missing from the email addresses in your email or want to invite someone you know, either forward this to them or send an email to Susan Roberts or Pastor Hank so we can include them in our ongoing email invitations if they desire.

We are privileged and commanded by God to worship Him. Worship is the highest art form and good work that humans can do before and with God. Worship brings us into God's presence, where we first confess our sins and receive His forgiveness to enter His presence as well as receive His blessings for life now and in eternity. Worship establishes and maintains eternal fellowship with God. Worship is not an entertainment activity. Do not sit back and watch; true worship requires your active participation. Even while muted, sing the hymns and speak the responses, prayers and confessions.

Because of the second to second and a half lag-time between you and the source of the music or leading voice, unison participation requires us to mute our mic or phone if feature available, or cover the mouth piece. Only one voice should be heard responding to avoid confusion. Our joyful noise is certainly heard by our Lord, but it is distracting to our worship concentration with the lag time. Remember, worship is not worship unless you are involved in the worship acts, so don't just watch, -- join in, listen and participate.

You will have opportunity to speak to and greet each other both before and after worship. The actual worship will start at 10 AM, but we will establish our meeting for you to connect at or after 9:45 AM. You will come into the waiting room and be brought in by the host or co-host ASAP. Your wait time will be very short. Please join us.

In these times of isolation and danger we give thanks to our God who tells us, "I will never leave you or forsake you." We may not be able to understand the why, but we know that God is in our midst working to sustain us and turn this evil to our good. His Word is never broken; His promises are sure! His love for us assures us of victory over all that which would destroy body and soul. We are with Him, and He continues to gift us with life, body, soul, family, friends, and our church family. We have much to be thankful for. Because of the resurrection of our Lord, we need never fear our future. We can do all things through Him who strengthens and loves us. We have Joy and Peace in Jesus Christ!

Lent Midweek Worship 7 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87927173316>

Meeting ID: 879 2717 3316

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GREETING:

EVENING PRAYER / SERVICE OF LIGHT

Invocation:

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Remember Your mercy, O LORD and Your steadfast love,,

C: for they have been from of old.

CALL TO EVENING WORSHIP: Hymn LSB 440 “Jesus, I will Ponder Now”

1. Jesus, I will ponder now On Your holy passion; With Your Spirit me endow For such meditation. Grant that I in love and faith May Thy image cherish Of Your suffering pain, and death That I may not perish.
2. Make me see Your great distress, Anguish, and affliction, Bonds and stripes and wretchedness And Your crucifixion; Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You, How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.
3. Yet , O Lord, not thus alone Make me see Your passion, But it cause to me make known And its termination. Ah! I also and my Wrought Your deep affliction; This indeed the cause has been of Your crucifixion.
4. 4. Grant that I Your passion view With repentant grieving. Let me not bring shame to You By unholy living. How could I refuse to shun Ev’ry sinful pleasure Since for me God’s only Son Suffered without measure?

Service of light: pg. 243

L: Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,

C: the Light no darkness can overcome.

L: Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,

C: and the day is almost over.

L: Let Your light scatter the darkness

C: and illumine Your Church.

Hymn of Light *(spoken responsively)* pg. 244

L: Joyous light of glory:

C: of the immortal Father; heavenly, holy, blessed Jesus Christ.

**We have come to the setting of the sun,
and we look to the evening light.**

We sing to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

You are worthy of being praised with pure voices forever.

O Son of God, o Giver of life: the universe proclaims Your glory.

Thanksgiving for light pg. 245

*L: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
Who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night.
Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ;
May His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
For You are merciful, and You love Your whole creation and we,
Your creatures, glorify You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

C: Amen.

PSALMODY Ps. 141 pg. 245

C: Let my prayer rise before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

P: O Lord, I call to You; come to me quickly; hear my voice when I cry to You.

C: Let my prayer rise before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

P: Set a watch before my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.

C: Let not my heart incline to any evil thing; let me not be occupied in wickedness with evildoers.

P: But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take refuge. Strip me not of my life.

C: 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. Let my prayer rise before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

OFFICE HYMN “Hymn LSB 430 “My Song is Love Unknown

1. My song is love unknown, My Savior’s love to me, Love to the love-less shown That they might lovely be. O who am I That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
3. Sometimes they strew His way And His sweet praises sing; resounding all the day Hosannas to their King. Then Crucify!” Is all their breath, And for His death They thirst and cry.
4. Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight. Sweet injuries! Yet they at these Them-selves displease And ’gainst Him rise.
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!

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ drawn from the four Gospels (as per LW Agenda)

The Praetorium

When they had bound Jesus, they led Him from Caiaphas to the hall of judgment and gave Him over to Pontius Pilate, the governor. It was early. They themselves did not go into the judgment hall, so that they might not be defiled, but might eat the Passover.

Pilate then went out to them, and said, “What charge do you bring against this man?”

They answered and said to him, “If He were not a criminal, we would not have handed Him over to you.”

Then Pilate said to them, “Take Him, then, and judge Him according to your law.”

The Jews said to him, “It is not lawful for us to put any man to death. “So the word of Jesus was fulfilled, signifying by what death He should die.

The charges they brought against Him were : “We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding us to pay taxes to Caesar, and saying that He Himself is Christ, a king.”

Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said to Him, “Are you the King of the Jews?”

Jesus answered him, “Do you say this for yourself, or did others say it to you about me?”

Pilate answered, “Do you take me for a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have given You over to me. What have you done?”

Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world; if My kingdom were of this world then My servants would have fought that I should not be given over to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not in the ways of this place.”

Pilate therefore said to Him, “Are You a king then?”

Jesus answered, “You say rightly that I am a king. I was born and came into the world that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone that is of the truth hears My voice.”

Pilate said to Him, “What is truth?”

After he had said this, he went out again to the Jews and said to them, “I find no fault in this man.”

The chief priests kept laying one charge after another against Him, but He answered not a word. Pilate questioned Him again, saying, “Do you answer nothing? See how many charges they lay against You.” Jesus answered Him not a word. Pilate was utterly amazed. He said to the chief priests and the crowd, “I find no case against this man.”

They pressed their charges more vehemently: “He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judaea, beginning from Galilee to this place.”

When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. When he learned that He belonged in Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent Him on to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem for those days.

When Herod saw Jesus, he was delighted, for he had long wished to see Him because of what he had heard of Him, and he hoped to see Him do a miracle. He questioned Jesus repeatedly, but He gave him no answer. The chief priests and scribes stood there and vehemently accused Him. Herod and his soldiers mocked him. They put on Him a splendid robe and sent Him back to Pilate.

Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that same day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.

Lenten Midweek Lesson:

“An Interview with the Pontus Pilate concerning the Trial of Jesus Christ.”

Hymn LSB 434 “Lamb of God, Pure and Holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,

1. Lamb of God, Pure and Holy, Who on the cross didst suffer, Ev-er Pa-tient and low-ly, Thy – self to scorn didst offer. All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o’er us: Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!
2. Lamb of God, Pure and Holy, Who on the cross didst suffer, Ev-er Pa-tient and low-ly, Thy – self to scorn didst offer. All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o’er us: Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

3. Lamb of God, Pure and Holy, Who on the cross didst suffer, Ev-er Pa-tient and low-ly, Thy – self to scorn didst offer. All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o’er us: Thy peace be with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

(Offering Given in Thanksgiving)

(As you are blessed so also you are privileged to contribute to Christ’s ministry by sending your offering in support of Your shared ministry at St. John’s Lutheran Church, 475 East Herbert Ave., Salt Lake City, UT 84111) *In the House of the Lord, the Offering is taken for the partnership with God in His ministry in our community and through this congregation. To participate, you will need to send it to the address above or use the PayPal app on our website. stjohnslutheranslc.org or come to worship at St. John’s. (social distancing and masks required).*

Prayer Hymn LSB 887 “Now the Light Has Gone Away”

2. Jesus, Savior, wash away All that has been wrong today; Help me ev’ry day to be Good and gentle, more like Thee.
4. Now my evening praise I give; Thou didst die that I might live. All my blessings come from Thee; Oh, how good Thou art to me!
5. Thou, my best and kindest Friend, Thou wilt love me to the end. Let me love Thee more and more, Always better than before.

Litany

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here present and online their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For President Harrison and President Schlechte, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For President Biden, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who work to bring justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For our Elderly, infirmed, recovering from surgery and illness, for those suffering from fear and isolation and for our preschool staff, students, and parents; let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For continued support of our mission and ministries, leaders and people of Akobo, South Sudan; let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:

C: To You, O Lord.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

P: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Lord's Prayer

P: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the (+) Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn LSB 878 "Abide With Me, Fast Falls the Eventide"

1. Abide with me, fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
2. I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour; What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.
3. Come not in terrors, as the King of kings, But kind and good, with healing in Thy wings; Tears
for all woes, a heart for ev'ry plea. Come, Friend of sinners, thus abide with me.
4. Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, & point me to the skies.
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.