

#560 Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed

- 1 Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed
With healing gifts for souls distressed,
To find in Thee my life, my rest,
Christ crucified, I come.
- 2 Thou knowest all my griefs and fears,
Thy grace abused, my misspent years;
Yet now to Thee with contrite tears,
Christ crucified, I come.
- 3 Wash me and take away each stain;
Let nothing of my sin remain.
For cleansing, though it be through pain,
Christ crucified, I come.
- 4 And then for work to do for Thee,
Which shall so sweet a service be
That angels well might envy me,
Christ crucified, I come.

Lent Versicles

- P** O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
- 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.
Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

Psalmody

Psalm

Psalm 27

- ¹The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom | shall I fear?*
- The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I | be afraid?
- ²When evildoers assail me
to eat | up my flesh,*
my adversaries and foes,
it is they who stum- | ble and fall.
- ³Though an army encamp against me,
my heart | shall not fear;*
though war arise against me,
yet I will be | confident.

⁴One thing have I asked of the LORD,
 that will I seek | after; *
 that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
 all the days of my life,
 to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD
 and to inquire in his | temple.

⁵For he will hide me in his shelter
 in the day of | trouble; *
 he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
 he will lift me high up- | on a rock.

⁶And now my head shall be lifted up
 above my enemies all around me,
 and I will offer in his tent
 sacrifices with | shouts of joy; *
 I will sing and make melody | to the LORD.

⁷Hear, O LORD, when I | cry aloud; *
 be gracious to me and | answer me!

⁸You have said, | “Seek my face.” *
 My heart says to you,
 “Your face, LORD, | do I seek.”

⁹Hide not your face from me.
 Turn not your servant away in | anger, *
 O you who have been my help.
 Cast me not off; forsake me not,
 O God of my sal- | vation!

¹⁰For my father and my mother have for- | saken me, *
 but the LORD will | take me in.

¹¹Teach me your way, | O LORD, *
 and lead me on a level path
 because of my | enemies.

¹²Give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries; *
 for false witnesses have risen against me,
 and they breathe out | violence.

¹³I believe that I shall look upon the goodness | of the LORD *
 in the land of the | living!

¹⁴Wait | for the LORD; *
 be strong, and let your heart take courage;
 wait | for the LORD!

Readings From Holy Scripture

The Holy Gospel

Luke 23:1–25 (Bible p. 1129)

P A reading from Luke, chapter 23.

¹Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. ²And they began to accuse him, saying, “We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king.” ³And Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” And he answered him, “You have said so.” ⁴Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, “I find no guilt

in this man.”⁵But they were urgent, saying, “He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place.”

⁶When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. ⁷And when he learned that he belonged to Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign done by him. ⁹So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer. ¹⁰The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. ¹²And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.

¹³Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, ¹⁴and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him. ¹⁵Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him. ¹⁶I will therefore punish and release him.”

¹⁸But they all cried out together, “Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas”—¹⁹a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder. ²⁰Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, ²¹but they kept shouting, “Crucify, crucify him!” ²²A third time he said to them, “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will therefore punish and release him.” ²³But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. ²⁴So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. ²⁵He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory (Lent)

LSB 231

P Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

P In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

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644 The Church’s One Foundation

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1 The Church’s one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the Word.
From heav’n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
 Yet one o'er all the earth;
 Her charter of salvation:
 One Lord, one faith, one birth.
 One holy name she blesses,
 Partakes one holy food,
 And to one hope she presses
 With ev'ry grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder
 The world sees her oppressed,
 By schisms rent asunder,
 By heresies distressed,
 Yet saints their watch are keeping;
 Their cry goes up, "How long?"
 And soon the night of weeping
 Shall be the morn of song.
- 4 Through toil and tribulation
 And tumult of her war
 She waits the consummation
 Of peace forevermore
 Till with the vision glorious
 Her longing eyes are blest,
 And the great Church victorious
 Shall be the Church at rest.
- 5 Yet she on earth has union
 With God, the Three in One,
 And mystic sweet communion
 With those whose rest is won.
 O blessed heav'nly chorus!
 Lord, save us by Your grace
 That we, like saints before us,
 May see You face to face.

Sermon

Listen to the Voices as Jesus the Galilean Stands Trial!
Luke 23:1-25

Canticle

Antiphon (Common)

- P** Let my prayer rise before You as incense,
C and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Magnificat

(Sung by all) LSB 231

- C** My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior;
I for He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.
II For behold, from this day all generations will call me blessed.
I For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;
II and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.
I He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
II He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has exalted the lowly.
I He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away.
II He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever.
- 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.

Offering

Prayer

Kyrie

LSB 233

- C** Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

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.

Collects

Introduction to Collects

LSB 233

- L** O Lord, hear my prayer.
C And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.

Benedicamus

LSB 234

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 234

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.

#418 O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

- 1 O Lord, throughout these forty days
You prayed and kept the fast;
Inspire repentance for our sin,
And free us from our past.
- 2 You strove with Satan, and You won;
Your faithfulness endured;
Lend us Your nerve, Your skill and trust
In God's eternal Word.
- 3 Though parched and hungry, yet You prayed
And fixed Your mind above;
So teach us to deny ourselves,
Since we have known God's love.
- 4 Be with us through this season, Lord,
And all our earthly days,
That when the final Easter dawns,
We join in heaven's praise.

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