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Fifth Wednesday of Lent

22 March 2023 3:30 and 7:00 P.M.

Hymn

Beneath the Cross of Jesus



1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
2. Up - on that cross of Je - sus Mine eye at times can see
3. I take, O cross, thy shad - ow For my a - bid - ing - place -



The shad - ow of a might - y Rock With - in a wea - ry land;
The ver - y dy - ing form of One Who suf - fered there for me;
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than The sun - shine of His face;



A home with - in the wil - der - ness, A rest up - on the way
And from my smit - ten heart with tears Two won - ders I con - fess -
Con - tent to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss,



From the burn - ing of the noon - day heat And the bur - den of the day.
The won - ders of His glo - rious love And my own worth - less - ness.
My sin - ful self my on - ly shame, My glo - ry all the cross.

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Opening Sentences

L=Leader (Pastor) G=Group (Congregation)

The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et
night and peace at the last. **G** A -
- - men. **L** It is good to give thanks to the
Lord, **G** to sing praise to your name, O Most High,
L to her - ald your love in the morn - ing, **G** your
truth at the close of day. **L** Je - sus, re - mem - ber
me when you come in - to your king - dom.
G Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in -
to your king - dom.

Confession of Sins

(all spoken)

L: *Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

G: who made heaven and earth.

*L: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.
Almighty God, our heavenly Father,*

G: we have sinned against You in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all the good that we have left undone. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver us and restore us so that we may rest in peace.

L: Through the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are fully forgiven. Let us rest in His peace until the rising of the sun when we shall serve Him in newness of life.

G: Amen. We rest in the forgiveness of Christ.

L: Lord God, our refuge and fortress, Your faithfulness has protected us through this day. Now send Your holy angels to guard us from danger through this night. Give us peaceful rest, free from fear, that we may wake refreshed to serve You,

G: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Response to Forgiveness

L In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it. **G** In - to your

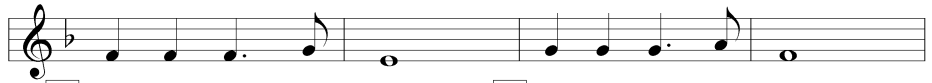
hands I com-mend my spir - it. **L** You have re-deemed me, O

Lord, God of truth. **G** In - to your hands I com-mend my

spir - it. **L** Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son (✠)

and to the Ho - ly Spir - it. **G** In - to your

Preparation for the Prayers



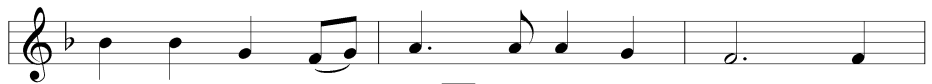
L Hear my prayer, O Lord. **G** Lis-ten to my cry.



L Keep me as the ap - ple of your eye. **G** Hide me



in the shad-ow of your wings. **L** In right-eous -



ness I shall see you. **G** When I a - wake, your



pres - ence will give me joy.

Lenten Prayer

L: Triune God, Revealer of the truth which we could not know on our own,

G: we are grateful that You have preserved for us the truth that salvation is through faith in Christ alone.

L: Give us zeal for the truth that we might be truly concerned about the constant attacks on Your holy Word by which Satan wants to obscure Your truth.

G: Lead us, O God, through Your Word to a stronger faith in our Savior, that we may never be afraid to stand up for Your truth or tell it to others.

L: We ask You to give us the ability and the desire to share the truth of forgiveness through Christ with the people of our neighborhoods and workplaces.

G: Open our lips so that we might reveal to all, the truth that they have been redeemed by the blood of Christ, who also taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer

G Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your
name, your king - dom come, your will be done on
earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our
dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as
we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Lead us
not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from
e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are
yours now and for - ev - er. **G** A - men.

Canticle

L Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, **G** and guard us sleep -

ing; [L] that a-wake we may watch with Christ [G] and a -
 sleep we may rest in peace.
 [G] In peace, Lord, in peace you let your ser-vant now de -
 part ac - cord-ing to your word. For my eyes have seen your sal-
 va - tion, which you have pre-pared for ev-'ry peo-ple, a
 light to light-en the Gen - tiles and the glo-ry of your peo-ple
 Is - ra - el. In peace, in peace.

Blessing

L: The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the Son ✠, and the Holy Spirit—bless and keep us always.

G (speaks): Amen.

Hymn

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Serving the Lord and us:

Preacher: Pastor Nathan Cordes

Organist: 3:30 Bob Wolff, 7:00 Sandi Rodman

A/V Techs: Chris Fischer, Kristi Gross

Ushers:

3:30 PM Kathy Burfeind & Judy Lortscher

7:00 PM Jeff & Ruth Lee

LES Children's Choir 3:30 PM

Lenten Supper group: Teens serving spaghetti & fixin's

Lent 2023 at St. John's

St John's is taking part in a pulpit rotation with our sister churches in this area. The sermon series is called "*The Son of God Goes Forth to War.*"

February 22 Hidden Warrior John 11:33-37 Pastor Nathan Cordes

March 01 Promised Warrior Isaiah 42:13 Pastor Daniel Reich

March 08 Reconnaissance Report Ephesians 6:12 Pastor Al Horn

March 15 Skirmishes Hebrews 4:15 Pastor David Peters

March 22 Satan's Ally: the World John 18:38
Pastor Nathan Cordes

March 29 Rejected by Many Followers John 6:66-68
Pastor Daniel Reich from Trinity Lincoln and St. John Bear Valley

April 06 (Maundy Thursday) Pastor Nathan Cordes
Only Jesus Would Wash between our Toes John 13:1-7