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"Equipping Disciples to Make Disciples for Jesus"



Fifth Saturday and Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 20, 2021 6:00 pm and Sunday, March 21, 2021 8:30 a.m.

As We Gather

The ancient name for today, the Fifth Sunday in Lent, is Judica, the Latin behind “vindicate” in the Introit. This Sunday prepares us for next Sunday’s review of the Passion. Only in Christ are we truly vindicated. But the emphasis is on our response to God’s love and forgiveness. In today’s Gospel, Jesus inverts the usual triangle of power into an upside-down pyramid of service. The greatest in God’s kingdom, the position sought by His disciples in the Gospel, is now at the bottom, serving everyone above. Jesus is describing Himself! In contrast to priests who repeatedly pray for others and offer sacrifices also for their own sins, Jesus was a one-time priest, offering Himself as the sacrifice while being sinless. In this new covenant, promised in the Reading from Jeremiah, we know of our Lord’s great love, now written in our hearts. From the inside out, our desire is to return Christ’s sacrificial, forgiving love by serving one another in His name.

PREPARATION

Opening Hymn

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

LSB #435



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 -
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



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,
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



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
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



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.
deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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Invocation

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

Opening Sentences

Jeremiah 31:31, 33; Mark 10:43–44

- P** The days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant.
C **I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts.**

- P** And I will be their God,
C **and they shall be My people.**

- P** Whoever would be great among you must be your servant,
C **and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.**

Confession and Absolution

Jeremiah 31:34; Hebrews 5:9

- P** Bearing our sins and in need of a Savior, let us go to our heavenly Father, asking for forgiveness.

Time for reflection on the word of God and for personal examination.

- P** Most merciful, heavenly Father, You promised a covenant written on Your people's hearts.
C **But we do not always rely on Your promises and great love. We are sorry.**

- P** Gracious Holy Spirit, through Your use of Word and Sacrament, many people know the Lord.
C **But we have not taken advantage of every opportunity to share Your Word with others. We are sorry.**

- P** Jesus taught that the greatest in the Kingdom is the servant of all.
C **But our hearts have not always been humble and eager for service. We are sorry. Our thoughts, words, and deeds fall short. As fallen sinners, we are helpless to change. For Jesus' sake, forgive us, and give us new and clean hearts to love You and serve our neighbors.**

- P** God promised in the new covenant, "I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." In the sacrifice of Himself, Jesus, being perfect, "became the source of eternal salvation." As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

WORD

Introit

Psalm 116:1–4, 8; antiphon: Psalm 43:1

- P** Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people,
C from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!
- P** I love the LORD, because he has heard
C my voice and my pleas for mercy.
- P** Because he inclined his ear to me,
C therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- P** The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
C I suffered distress and anguish.
- P** Then I called on the name of the LORD:
C “O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”
- P** For you have delivered my soul from death,
C my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.
- 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.**
- P** Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people,
C from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!

Kyrie

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mercy.
- P** For peace in our hearts, knowing that salvation is sure, let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mercy.
- P** For peace among the nations and the growth of the Church in faith and numbers, let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mercy.
- P** For the Church here and wherever God’s people gather for praise and worship, let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mercy.
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31–34 (ESV)

A new covenant is coming, written on people's hearts

³¹ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Hebrews 5:1–10 (ESV)

Jesus was both one-time priest and sacrifice, dying for all

¹ For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³ Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵ So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; ⁶ as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek." ⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he

became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek. .

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:32–45 (ESV)

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

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

Jesus teaches about true greatness

³² And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³ saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴ And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise." ³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹ And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of His Father before all worlds,
 God of God, Light of Light,
 very God of very God,
 begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father,
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
 He suffered and was buried.
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
 and ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
 whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.**

Sermon Hymn

Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way

LSB #857



1	Lord,	help	us	walk	Your	ser - vant	way	Wher -
2	You	came	to	earth,	O	Christ,	as	Lord,
3	No	gold -	en	scep -	ter	but	a	towel
4	You	bid	us	bend	our	hu -	man	pride
5	Lord,	help	us	walk	Your	ser -	vant	way
								Wher -



ev - er love may lead And, bend - ing low, for -
 pow'r You laid a - side. You lived Your years in
 place with - in the hands Of those who seek to
 count our - selves a - bove The low - est place, the
 ev - er love may lead And, bend - ing low, for -



get - ting self, Each serve the oth - er's need.
 ser - vant - hood; In low - li - ness You died.
 fol - low You And live by Your com - mands.
 mean - est task That waits the gift of love.
 get - ting self, Each serve the oth - er's need.

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Sermon

A New World Order

Mark 10:32-45

Offering (*Offering and attendance cards can be placed in basket at the back.*)

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for ourselves, the Church around the world, and all people in their various circumstances.

For the Church here and wherever people gather around Word and Sacrament, that God would move us to true repentance so that we reflect in our lives the love that He has written on our hearts, let us pray to the Lord.

- G Loving Father, hear our prayer.**

- P** For the clergy and lay leaders of the Church, that God would help them call the repentant back, enable healing across painful divisions, and teach catechumens of all ages the message of salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

- G Have mercy on us, O Holy Spirit.**

- P** That our Lord would bring about understanding across political borders, between racial, generational, economic, and cultural differences, and within families of all sizes and shapes, let us pray to the Lord.

- G Lord of the nations and Prince of Peace, listen to our plea.**

P For teachers and students, social workers and counselors, police and all first responders, that God would keep them safe and healthy, guiding them in crises and sustaining them in chronic problems, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Father in heaven, hear our prayer.**

P For all who are in exile from home, those who have been incarcerated, and any who have not been treated with human dignity, that God would surround them with supportive individuals and organizations, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Spirit of truth, increase their patience and hope that many may rejoice together.**

P For those near and dear to us, *[including . . .]*, people everywhere who seek healing and peace, and those known only to God, that our Lord would heal, restore, and console them, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord Jesus, come to their aid.**

P These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

SACRAMENT

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.**

Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** Amen.

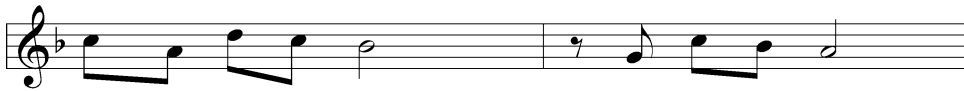
Distribution Hymn (Sunday Only)

What Is This Bread

LSB #629



1	What	is	this	bread?	Christ's	bod - y
2	What	is	this	wine?	The	blood of
3	So	who	am	I,	That	I should
4	Yet	is	God	here?	Oh,	yes! By
5	Is	this	for	me?	I	am for -



ris - en	from the	dead:	This	bread	we	break,
Je - sus	shed	for mine;	The	cup	of	grace
live	and	He should	Un - der	the	rod?	
Word	and	prom - ise	In	mouth	and	soul
giv - en	and	set	I	do	be - lieve	



This	life	we	take,	Was	crushed	to	pay	for	our	re -
Brings	His	em - brace	Of	life	and	love	un - til	I		
My	God,	my	God,	Why	have	You	not	for - sak - en		
He	makes	us	whole—	Christ,	tru - ly	pres - ent	in	this		
That	I	re - ceive		His	ver - y	bod - y	and	His		



lease.	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	peace.
sing!	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	King.
me?	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	free.
meal.	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	real.
blood.	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	good.

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Post-Communion Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

LSB #700



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
 ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
 all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
 spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
 Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
 turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
 great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
 and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
 as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

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