

# St. Lucas Evangelical Lutheran Church and School

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## Midweek Lenten Worship – The Crucial Hours

April 6, 2022

### The Semblance of Legality

#### He Stood before the Court

CW 408



1 He stood be - fore the court on trial in - stead of  
2 These are the crimes that tell the tale of hu - man  
3 The sen - tence must be passed, the un - known pris - 'ner  
4 Shall we be judged and tried? In Christ our trial is



us; he met its pow'r to hurt, con - demned to  
guilt; our sins, our death, our hell— on these the  
killed; the price is paid at last, the law of  
done; we live, for he has died, our con - dem -



face the cross— our King, ac - cused of treach - er -  
case is built. To this world's pow'rs the Lord stays  
God ful - filled. He takes our blame, and from that  
na - tion gone. In Christ are we both dead and



y; our God, a - bused for blas - phe - my!  
dumb. The guilt is ours, no an - swers come.  
day th' ac - cu - ser's claim is wiped a - way.  
raised, a - live and free— his name be praised!

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Stand

## Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## Confession of Sins

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
**we have sinned against you**  
**in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds,**  
**and in all that we have not done.**  
**Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**  
**Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life.  
**Amen.**

Be seated

## Why Do the Nations Conspire

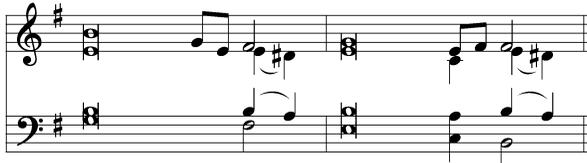
*Psalm 2B*

*Sung responsively with the minister*

*Refrain*



*Tone*



Why do the nations / **conspire**  
**and the peoples / plot in vain?**

The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together a- / **gainst the LORD**  
**and against his A- / noointed.** *Refrain*

The One enthroned in / heaven laughs;  
**the Lord / scoffs at them.**

He rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, / saying,  
**“I have installed my King on Zion, my holy / mountain.”** *Refrain*

I will proclaim the / LORD’s decree:

**He said to me, “You are my Son; today I have become your / Father.”**  
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son**  
**and to the Holy / Spirit,**  
**as it was in the be- / ginning,**  
**is now, and will be forever. / Amen.** *Refrain*

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## Psalm Prayer

Lord, keep us safe in the refuge of your anointed Son, so that when the nations rage against him, we are not terrified. You have begotten him from eternity and have seated him on your throne in heaven. Let us see him as he truly is, the One who lives and rules with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Passion Reading

*Luke 23:26–56*

<sup>26</sup>As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. <sup>27</sup>A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. <sup>28</sup>Jesus turned and said to them, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup>For the time will come when you will say, ‘Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ <sup>30</sup>Then

“ they will say to the mountains, “Fall on us!”  
and to the hills, “Cover us!” ’

<sup>31</sup>For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

<sup>32</sup>Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. <sup>33</sup>When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on

his right, the other on his left. <sup>34</sup>Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

<sup>35</sup>The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.”

<sup>36</sup>The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar <sup>37</sup>and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.”

<sup>38</sup>There was a written notice above him, which read: this is the king of the jews.

<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

<sup>40</sup>But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? <sup>41</sup>We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.”

<sup>42</sup>Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

<sup>43</sup>Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

<sup>44</sup>It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, <sup>45</sup>for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup>Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.” When he had said this, he breathed his last.

<sup>47</sup>The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, “Surely this was a righteous man.” <sup>48</sup>When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away. <sup>49</sup>But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

<sup>50</sup>Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man, <sup>51</sup>who had not consented to their decision and action. He came from the Judean town of Arimathea, and he himself was waiting for the kingdom of God. <sup>52</sup>Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus’ body. <sup>53</sup>Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen cloth and placed it in a tomb cut in the rock, one in which no one had yet been laid. <sup>54</sup>It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was about to begin.

<sup>55</sup>The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph and saw the tomb and how his body was laid in it. <sup>56</sup>Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.

# Upon the Cross Extended

CW 434



1 Up - on the cross ex - tend - ed, see, world, your  
2 Who is it, Lord, that bruised you? Who has so  
3 I caused your grief and sigh - ing by e - vils  
4 Your soul in griefs un - bound - ed, your head with  
5 Your cross I place be - fore me, its sav - ing



Lord sus - pend - ed; your Sav - ior yields his breath.  
sore a - bused you and caused you all your woe?  
mul - ti - ply - ing as count - less as the sands.  
thorns sur - round - ed, you died to ran - som me.  
pow'r re - store me, sus - tain me in the test.



The Prince of life from heav - en him - self has free - ly  
We all must make con - fes - sion of sin and dire trans -  
I caused the woes un - num - bered with which your soul is  
The cross for me en - dur - ing, the crown for me se -  
It will, when life is end - ing, be guid - ing and at -



giv - en to shame and blows and bit - ter death.  
gres - sion, while you no ways of e - vil know.  
cum - bered, your sor - rows raised by wick - ed hands.  
cur - ing, you healed my wounds and set me free.  
tend - ing my way to your e - ter - nal rest.

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## Sermon

Luke 22:66  
*The Semblance of Legality*

<sup>66</sup>At daybreak the council of the elders of the people, both the chief priests and the teachers of the law, met together, and Jesus was led before them.

## Prayer

Abide with us, Lord, for it is evening and the day is almost over. Abide with us and with your whole Church. Abide with us in the evening of the day, in the evening of life, in the evening of the world. Abide with us in your grace and goodness, in your holy Word and sacrament, in your comfort and blessing. Abide with us when we are overcome by the night of sorrow and fear, by the night of doubt and affliction, by the night of bitter death. Abide with us and with all your people in time and in eternity.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

# Blessing

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us.

**May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.**

## Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing

CW 400



1 Sweet the mo - ments, rich in bless - ing, which be -  
2 Here we rest in won - der, view - ing all our  
3 Here we find the dawn of heav - en while up -  
4 Oh, that, near the cross a - bid - ing, we may  
5 Lord, in lov - ing con - tem - pla - tion fix our



fore the cross we spend, life and health and  
sins on Je - sus laid; here we see re -  
on the cross we gaze, see our tres - pass -  
to the Sav - ior cleave, naught with him our  
hearts and eyes on you till we taste your



peace pos - sess - ing from the sin - ner's dy - ing friend.  
demp - tion flow - ing from the sac - ri - fice he made.  
es for - giv - en, and our songs of tri - umph raise.  
hearts di - vid - ing, all for him con - tent to leave!  
full sal - va - tion and your un - veiled glo - ry view.

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*Between the services everyone is invited to the school gym for a soup supper prepared by the Lutheran Memorial Park Board.*

## **Holy Week Services**

Palm Sunday April 9 & 10 *His Humility, Our Hope*

Holy Thursday April 14 1:00 or 6:30 pm *His Food, Our Fill*

Good Friday April 15 1:00 pm *Service of the Seven Words*  
6:30 pm *Service of Darkness*

Easter Sunday April 17 6:00 am Sunrise with Holy Communion  
7:00—8:00 am Easter Breakfast  
8:30 or 10:30 AM *Life Marches Victorious over Death*

## **Memorial Easter Lilies**

If you would like to order a lily for Easter morning, forms are available in the church entry on the left side.

## **Easter Breakfast**

Sign-up sheet to donate food items or volunteer to help prepare and serve is in the church entry on the right side.

## **Easter and Confirmation Cards**

Easter and Confirmation cards, along with greeting cards for other occasions are available for purchase in the church entry on the left side.

## **Serving in Worship**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning

Organist: Laura Schulz

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