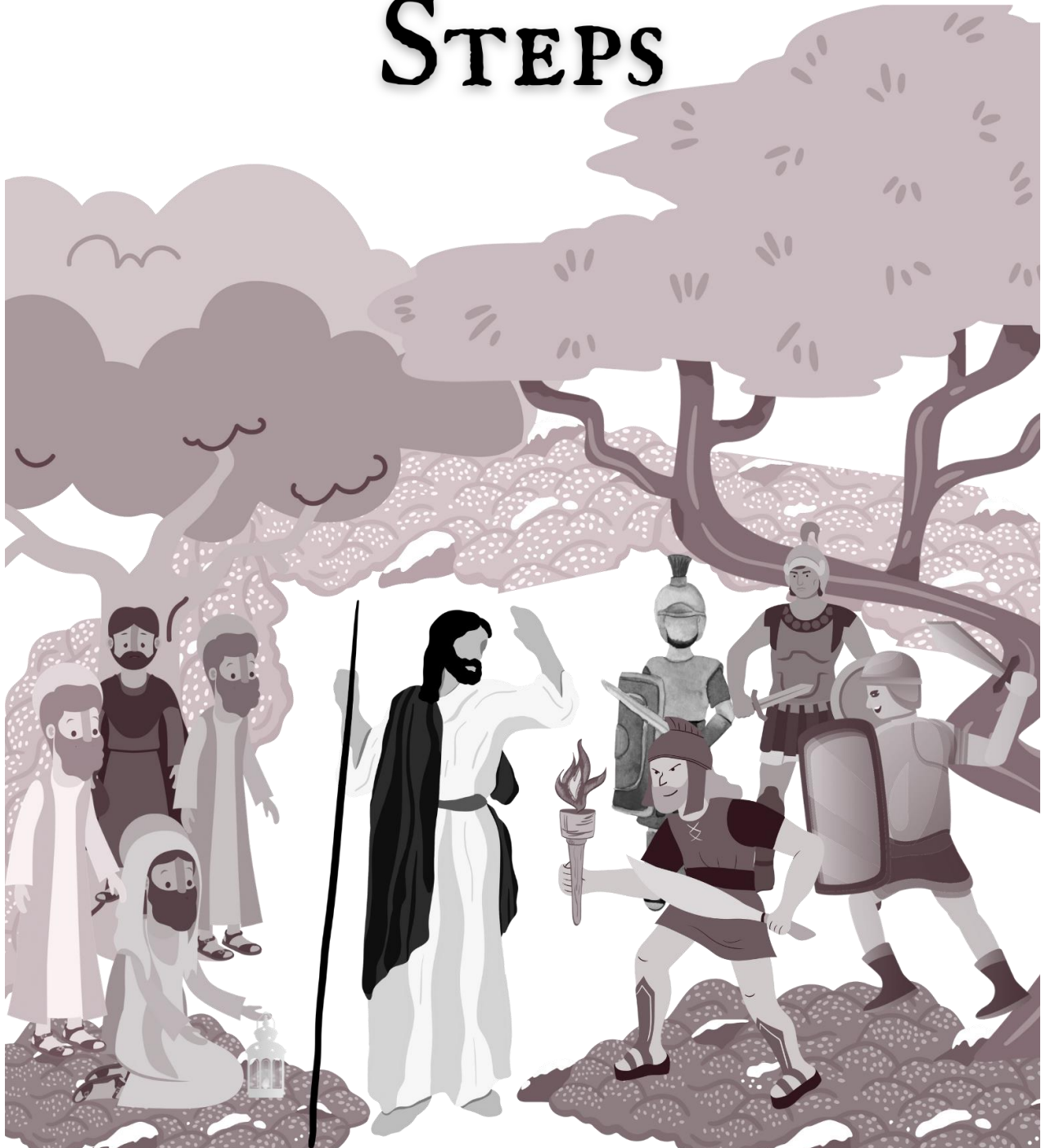


HIS FINAL STEPS



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Midweek 3 – His Final Steps Led to His Enemies

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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

CW 226

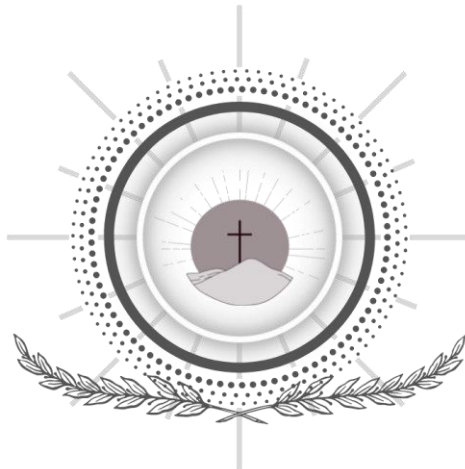
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

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



As the Deer

Psalm 42A



1 As the deer pants_ for the wa - ter, so my
2 You're my friend, and_ you're my broth - er, e - ven
3 I want you more than gold or sil - ver, on - ly



soul longs af - ter you; you a - lone are my
though you are a King. I love you more than
you can sat - is - fy. You a - lone are the



heart's de - sire_ and I long to wor - ship you.
an - y oth - er, so much more than an - y - thing.
real joy giv - er and the ap - ple of my eye.

Refrain



You a - lone are my strength, my shield; to you a -



lone may my spir - it yield. You a - lone are my



heart's de - sire and I long to wor - ship you.

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Psalm Prayer

Lord Jesus, strengthen us when we face a world that says, "There is no God." As the world taunts us, create in us a thirst for you that will not be quenched until we are at home with you in heaven, where you live and rule with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Song

Now the Light Has Gone Away

St. Lucas Lutheran Elementary School Kindergarten through Third Grade (6:30 pm)

Passion History

Matthew 26:36–56

³⁶Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” ³⁷He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. ³⁸Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

³⁹Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

⁴⁰Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Couldn’t you men keep watch with me for one hour?” he asked Peter. ⁴¹“Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

⁴²He went away a second time and prayed, “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.”

⁴³When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.

⁴⁵Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour has come, and the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!”

⁴⁷While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: “The one I kiss is the man; arrest him.” ⁴⁹Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed him.

⁵⁰Jesus replied, “Do what you came for, friend.”

Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him. ⁵¹With that, one of Jesus’ companions reached for his sword, drew it out and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

⁵²“Put your sword back in its place,” Jesus said to him, “for all who draw the sword will die by the sword. ⁵³Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴But how then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen in this way?”

⁵⁵In that hour Jesus said to the crowd, “Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I sat in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest me. ⁵⁶But this has all taken place that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled.” Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Hymn of the Day

CW 433



- 1 God was there on Cal - va - ry, God the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
2 All the world on Cal - va - ry cru - ci - fied the Prince of life,
3 Sin was there on Cal - va - ry, all the sins of ev - 'ry - one,
4 Love was there on Cal - va - ry, stream - ing from the heart of God,



- dy - ing that the world might live, there on Cal - va - ry.
pierced the hands of God's own Son, there on Cal - va - ry.
laid up - on God's sin - less Lamb there on Cal - va - ry.
reach - ing out for ev - 'ry - one there on Cal - va - ry.

- 5 Life was there on Calvary,
flowing from his wounded side,
spent that death itself might die
there on Calvary.

- 6 We were there on Calvary;
we were pardoned, saved, set free,
saved to live eternally—
blessèd Calvary!



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Sermon

Luke 20:9–19

⁹He went on to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard, rented it to some farmers and went away for a long time. ¹⁰At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants so they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹He sent another servant, but that one also they beat and treated shamefully and sent away empty-handed. ¹²He sent still a third, and they wounded him and threw him out.

¹³“Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my son, whom I love; perhaps they will respect him.’

¹⁴“But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. ‘This is the heir,’ they said. ‘Let’s kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’ ¹⁵So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

“What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others.”

When the people heard this, they said, “God forbid!”

¹⁷Jesus looked directly at them and asked, “Then what is the meaning of that which is written:

“ ‘The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone’?”

¹⁸Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.”

¹⁹The teachers of the law and the chief priests looked for a way to arrest him immediately, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.

Stand

Responsive Prayer

Gracious Lord, according to your will and promise,
you sent your Son into our world to atone for sin and restore eternal life.

You planned his path to the cross,
and he followed it perfectly.

He confronted the blindness of unbelief, the confusion of doubt, and the hurt of death
but was not deterred as he proclaimed your kingdom to the least, the last, and the lost.

As we hear and contemplate the holy record of our Savior’s passion and death,
use the sharp message of the law to empty us of pride and self-reliance.

Humble us as we view the Savior in his humility,
remembering and believing that he endured the cross so we might be freed from its horror.

In his suffering show us our healing,
in his grief show us our joy,
and in his death show us our life.

Hear our prayers, Lord, for the sake of Jesus. 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.



Evening Prayer

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. 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.



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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Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Woldt, David's Star, Jackson Organist: Coralee Henning

Announcements

Midweek Lenten Series: His final Steps

March 15 *His Final Steps Led to a Dinner Celebration* — Pastor Henning

March 22 *His Final Steps Led to His Father's House* — Pastor Loescher, David's Star Jackson

March 29 *His Final Steps Led to a Fig Tree* — Pastor Rohrback — Redeemer Cedarburg

Services will be held each Wednesday at 3:30 pm and 6:30 pm

A soup supper will be served in the school gymnasium between the services.



Holy Week Services

APRIL 6 1:00 & 6:30 PM HOLY THURSDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

**APRIL 7 1:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF THE CROSS
6:30 PM GOOD FRIDAY DARKNESS SERVICE**

**APRIL 9 6:00 AM EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE WITH HOLY COMMUNION
8:30 & 10:30 AM EASTER FESTIVAL SERVICE WITH HOLY COMMUNION**

EASTER BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED 7:00—8:15 AM. A SIGN UP SHEET FOR FOOD DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS TO PREPARE AND CLEAN UP ARE IN THE CHURCH ENTRY.

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