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**Fourth Sunday in Lent   March 26, 2017**

The Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

Pastor: *Let us open our Worship Service this morning in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. And all God’s children said:*

**“AMEN. PRAISE THE LORD!**” *(Psalm 106:48)*

Opening Hymn…..**##45  vs. 1,2 & 4**……(Red Hymnal & on screen)

…… “ Crown Him with Many Crowns”

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*Pastor:* Let us take a few moments to silently talk to God from our hearts

*Pastor:* Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer

**We confess unto you that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Therefore we come to you in the Name of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, trusting in Your mercy, and asking Your forgiveness.**

*Pastor:* If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9) If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. (Romans 10: 8-10)

*Congregation*: **Lord Jesus, I believe in You. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise … **##304…**x2 and on screen………...…  “Behold the Lamb”

The Prayer of the Day

First Lesson…… (on screen)……...........................................… **Psalm  22:22-31**

Second Lesson….(on screen.)……………………………...…... **Ezekiel  36:23-27**

The Gospel.......... (on screen)….……..….................................. **Matthew 27:39-43**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,**

**world without end. Amen**

Children's Choir

Children’s Sermon

Pulpit Hymn …**##719**…. vs. 1 & 4and on screen..

….. “Children of the Heavenly Father”

Message……………………..……… The Glory of the Messiah, Psalm 22:22-31

Hymn of the Day……… **#305** and on screen............................. Jesus Paid It All

The Apostles’ Creed (from Luther’s Small Catechism, Ambassador Publications, 2007)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was Crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church, The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen**

The Offertory *(presentation of our offering to the Lord)*

Response: **#88** Words below …..................................“More Precious Than Silver”

**Lord, You are more precious than silver,**

**Lord, You are more costly than gold.**

**Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds,**

**And nothing I desire compares with You.** (x 2)

### Prayers of the Church (see insert, congregation may be seated)

After each petition the Pastor will pray: *“We ask this in Jesus Name.”*

Congregational Response: “**Thank you Lord Jesus.”**

The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn..**#324 …...**vs. 1 & 4 and on screen….

….. “ When I Survey the wondrous Cross”

Closing Prayer

Pastor: *Go in Peace and Serve the Lord.*

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

We are so blessed to have worshiped together today. We pray God’s blessings upon our members, friends, families and visitors. Visitors are invited to take a “Welcome Packet” and sign our guest book in the narthex. Visitors are also invited to join us for fellowship and coffee following the service.

Thank you to **Casey Corty** for reading our scripture lessons. Thanks also to all the other participants in our service today for being a blessing in our worship.

If you are interested in using a personal listening device to assist you in hearing the service, whether or not you use a hearing aid, just let an usher know or ask for one at the sound booth in the back of the Sanctuary. Large print bulletins are also available upon request.

**TODAY** 9:30 am ……………….……......................................Worship Service

*Followed by coffee and fellowship*

11:00 to Noon…………………………………………Sunday School

11:15 to 11:45 am.................................................... Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm….......……Psalm 91 Bible Study-at the Blomberg Residence

**MON** 6:00 pm…………………..………...…..……………… DivorceCare

**TUES.** 7:00 pm………………..…………… The Gospel of John Bible Study

**WED.** 6:30am……………………...……………………Men’s Bible Study

9:00 am………………..…………….………………………..Quilting

12:00pm…………………...…….… The Gospel of John Bible Study

2:00 to 3:00 pm ………….....….……. Congregational Prayer Time

After School 3:45 to 5:15 p.m…(at Calvary)……….......Noah’s Park

6:30pm…………………………………..Mid-Week Lenten Service

Video “The Crucifixion of Jesus”

7:15 pm…………………........…………..………..…..Choir Practice

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