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Ash Wednesday



Keep  
your  
eyes on *Jesus*



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## ✠ Opening Prayer ✠

**Hymn: TLH #141:3-4**    *“Enslaved by Sin and Bound in Chains”*

### The Invocation

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- P** We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

### Confession and Absolution

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*“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)*

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- P** Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.
- C** **Holy and gracious God, I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.**
- P** By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. Tonight, we may rest now in His peace and rise again in the morning to serve Him. Amen.

### Responsory

*Scripture selections based on our Lenten Series*

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- P** By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness, O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.
- C** **We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf.**
- P** And the LORD said to Moses, “Tell Aaron your brother not to come at any time into the Holy Place inside the veil.”
- C** **We have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that He opened for us through the curtain, that is, through His flesh.**
- P** The LORD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.
- C** **And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.**

**P** And on the seventh day God finished His work that He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work that He had done.

**C** **For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God.**

**P** The whole bull he shall carry outside the camp to a clean place, to the ash heap, and shall burn it up on a fire of wood.

**C** **So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through His own blood.**

**P** On the morning of the third day there were thunders and lightnings and a thick cloud on the mountain and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people in the camp trembled.

**C** **But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. To Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.**

**Response: WS #724**

*“Jesus, Remember Me”*

**C** *♫ Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. (2x)*

✠ **Reading from the Passion History of Our Lord** ✠

**Hymn: TLH #156**

*“Not All the Blood of Beasts”*

*Our Lenten Series Theme:*

**Keep Your Eyes on Jesus Who Endured the Cross**

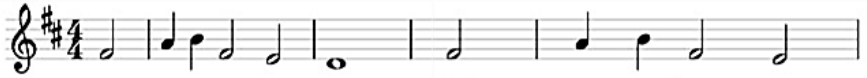
**Hebrews 6:19-20**

We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain,<sup>20</sup> where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

✠ **He is Our Security** ✠

Sermon Hymn: *Below*

*"My Song is Love Unknown"*



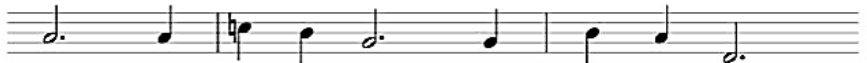
1. My song is love un -  
2. He came from His blest  
3. Here might I stay and



known, My Sav - ior's love to me, Love  
throne Sal - va - tion to be - stow; But  
sing, No story so di - vi - ne! Nev -



to the love - less shown That they might love - ly  
men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would  
er was love, dear King, Nev - er was grief like



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake  
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,  
Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
Who at my need His life did spend!  
I all my days Could gla - dly spend.

**Luther's Morning Prayer**

**C** In the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.  
I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

✠ The Benediction ✠

**Closing Hymn: WS #783**

*"Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep"*