

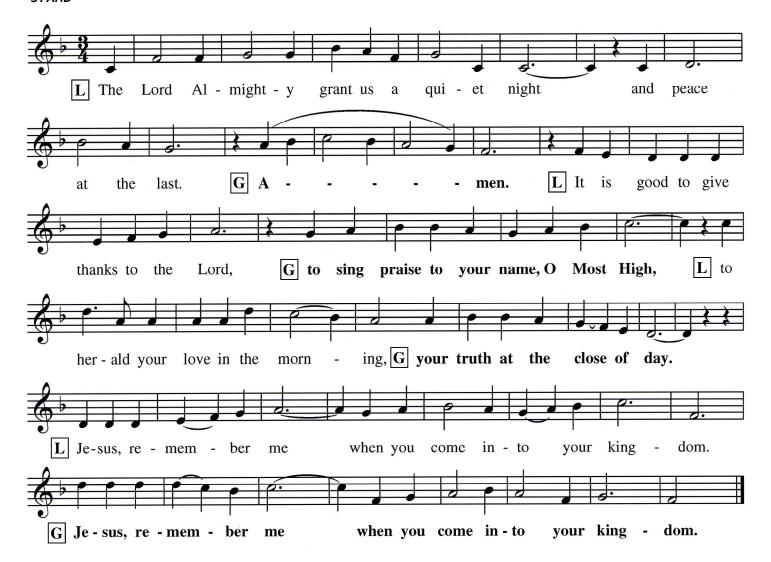
# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church Tucson, AZ

# Midweek 2 7 PM March 12, 2014

Parts of the service designated "L" are for the Leader (Pastor). The Congregation is invited to join in the parts marked "G" for "Group."

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

### **STAND**



### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- [L] Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- [G] who made heaven and earth.
- [L] Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

- [L] Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
- [G] 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.
- [L] 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.
- [G] Amen.

BE SEATED

HYMN

A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth Christian Worship #100

#### RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 85

- [L] You showed favor to your land, O LORD;
- [G] you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- [L] You forgave the iniquity of your people
- [G] and covered all their sins.
- [L] Show us your unfailing love, O LORD,
- [G] and grant us your salvation.
- [L] I will listen to what God the LORD will say;
- [G] he promises peace to his people, his saints.
- [L] Surely his salvation is near those who fear him,
- [G] that his glory may dwell in our land.
- [L] Love and faithfulness meet together;
- [G] righteousness and peace kiss each other.

#### **PSALM PRAYER**

- [L] God of love and faithfulness, you showed favor to your people by sending your one and only Son to be our Savior.
- [G] Help us to trust in him as our gracious Redeemer and so enjoy the peace he came to bring, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PASSION HISTORY Matthew 26:1-35

When Jesus had finished saying all these things, he said to his disciples, "As you know, the Passover is two days away—and the Son of Man will be handed over to be crucified." Then the chief priests and the elders of the people assembled in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, and they plotted to arrest Jesus in some sly way and kill him. "But not during the Feast," they said, "or there may be a riot among the people." While Jesus was in Bethany in the home of a man known as Simon the Leper, a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, which she poured on his head as he was reclining at the table. When the disciples saw this, they were indignant. "Why this waste?" they asked. "This perfume could have been sold at a high price and the money given to the poor." Aware of this, Jesus said to them, "Why are you bothering this woman? She has done a beautiful thing to me. The poor you will always have with you, but you will not always have me. When she poured this perfume on my body, she did it to prepare me for burial. I tell you the truth, wherever this gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her." Then one of the Twelve-the one called Judas Iscariot—went to the chief priests and asked, "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?" So they counted out for him thirty silver coins. From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over. On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?" He replied, "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, 'The Teacher says: My appointed time is near. I am going to celebrate the Passover with my

disciples at your house." So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover. When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, he said, "I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me." They were very sad and began to say to him one after the other, "Surely not I, Lord?" Jesus replied, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man will go iust as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born." Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?" Jesus answered, "Yes, it is you." While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom." When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written: 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee." Peter replied, "Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will." "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times." But Peter declared, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the other disciples said the same.

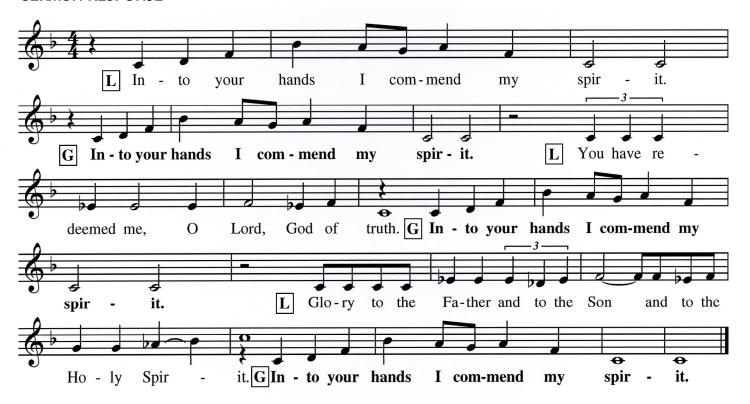
HYMN

The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace Christian Worship #288 He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. All by itself the soil produces

grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come."

#### **STAND**

#### **SERMON RESPONSE**



#### **BE SEATED**

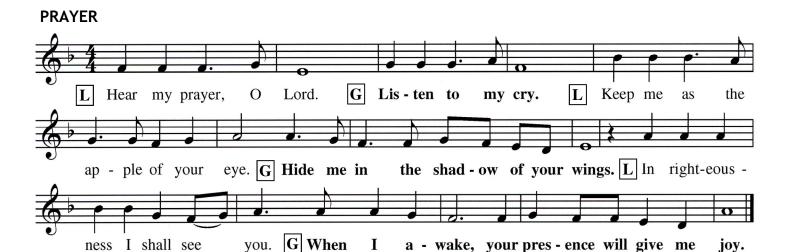
**OFFERING** Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest tonight, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.

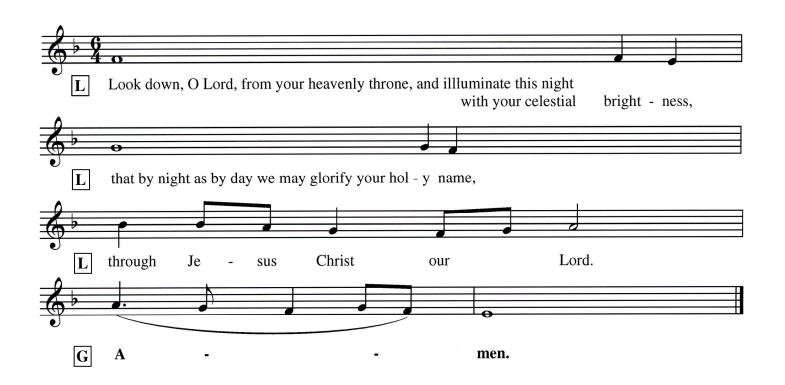


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### STAND





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## **LORD'S PRAYER**



#### **BLESSING**

- [L] The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the Son, (†) and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.
- [G] Amen.

BE SEATED

**CLOSING HYMN** 

Preach You the Word Christian Worship #544

# Those Assisting in Worship this Evening

| Service                  | Pastor Sam Clemons |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Organist                 | Elaine Goldie      |
| Sound and Recording Tech | Jeff Weinstein     |

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# **Lenten Services and Suppers**



Our Lenten theme this year is "From Garden to Glory." We will consider scriptural gardens—from Eden to Gethsemane to Christ's garden of glory and finally to paradise. Texts from Genesis, the gospels, and Revelation show the promise in each garden and how God's plan for our salvation is in each glorious location.

March 19 "The Garden of Repentance" March 26 "The Garden of Passion"

Worship Times: 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM at Grace-University

Lenten Supper: 6:00 PM

We need volunteers to host the meals March 26 and April 9 (individuals, families, groups, or any combination). There is a sign-up sheet posted in the Fellowship Hall at Grace-University and on the welcome table at Grace-Vail as well as an information sheet which explains how to host one of these meals.