



Grace Ev. Lutheran Church
Tucson, AZ

Midweek 5 6:30 PM March 18, 2015

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

Please stand

[L] The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et night and peace
at the last. [G] A - - - - men. [L] It is good to give
thanks to the Lord, [G] to sing praise to your name, O Most High, [L] to
her - ald your love in the morn - ing, [G] your truth at the close of day.
[L] Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.
[G] Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

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.

Silence for self-examination

- [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.

Please be seated

HYMN

*In the Hour of Trial
Christian Worship #116*

RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 6

- [L] O LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger
[G] or discipline me in your wrath.
[L] Be merciful to me, LORD, for I am faint;
[G] O LORD, heal me, for my soul is in anguish.
[L] Turn, O LORD, and deliver me;
[G] save me because of your unfailing love.
[L] I am worn out from groaning.
[G] My eyes grow weak with sorrow.
[L] Away from me, all you who do evil,
[G] for the LORD has heard my weeping.
[L] The LORD has heard my cry for mercy;
[G] the LORD accepts my prayer.

PSALM PRAYER

- [L] Lord God, you are merciful and tenderhearted, abounding in love and faithfulness.
[G] Turn to us in our anguish over sin and hear our cry for mercy that we may be at peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASSION HISTORY

Lesson 4

As soon as it was day, the council of the elders of the people met together, both chief priests and experts in the law. They brought Jesus into their Sanhedrin and said, "If you are the Christ, tell us." But he said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe. And if I ask you, you will not answer me or release me. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." They all said, "Are you then the Son of God?" He said to them, "I am what you are saying." Then they

said, "Why do we need any more testimony? For we ourselves have heard it from his own mouth!" Then the chief priests with the elders and experts in the law, together with the whole Sanhedrin, reached a decision. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate, the Roman governor.

Then, when Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he began to feel regret. He brought back the thirty pieces of

silver to the chief priests and elders and said, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? That is your problem." He threw the pieces of silver into the temple and left. Then he went out and hanged himself. The chief priests took the pieces of silver and said, "It is not lawful to put these into the treasury, since it is blood money." They reached a decision. They met and decided to buy the potter's field with the money, as a burial place for foreigners. So that field has been called "The Field of Blood" to this day. Then what was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: "They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price the sons of Israel had set for him, and they gave them for the potter's field, just as the Lord commanded me."

Early in the morning, the Jews led Jesus from Caiaphas to the Praetorium. They did not enter the Praetorium themselves, so that they would not become ceremonially defiled. (They wanted to be able to eat the Passover meal). So Pilate went out to them and said, "What charge do you bring against this man?" They answered him, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." Pilate told them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews said, "It's not legal for us to put anyone to death." This happened so that the statement Jesus had spoken indicating what kind of death he was going to die would be fulfilled.

They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this fellow misleading our nation, forbidding the payment of taxes to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king." Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered him, "It is as you say." The chief priests accused him of many things. When he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Pilate questioned him again, "Are you not going to answer anything?

See how many charges they are bringing against you!" But Jesus still did not answer anything, so Pilate was amazed. Then Pilate went back into the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. He asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate answered, "I'm not a Jew, am I? Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" "My kingdom is not of this world," Jesus answered. "If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight so that I would not be handed over to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here." "You are a king then?" Pilate asked. Jesus answered, "I am, as you say, a king. I was born for this, and for this I have come into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." "What is truth?" Pilate said to him.

After he said this, he went out again to the Jews, and told the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no basis for a charge against this man. But they kept insisting, "He stirs up the people, teaching all through Judea, beginning from Galilee all the way here." When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man was a Galilean. When he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem during those days. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad. For a long time, he had wanted to see him, because he had heard many things about him. He hoped to see some miracle performed by him. He questioned him with many words, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the experts in the law stood there, vehemently accusing him. Herod and his soldiers treated him with contempt and ridiculed him. Dressing him in bright clothing, they sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate became friends with each other on that day. Before this they had been enemies with each other.

“You will all fall away,” Jesus told them, “for it is written: ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’ But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee.” Peter declared, “Even if all fall away, I will not.” “I tell you the truth,” Jesus answered,

“today—yes, tonight—before the rooster crows twice you yourself will disown me three times.” But Peter insisted emphatically, “Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.” And all the others said the same.

Please stand

SERMON RESPONSE

[L] In - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

[G] In - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it. [L] You have re -

deemed me, O Lord, God of truth. [G] In - to your hands I com-mend my

spir - it. [L] Glo - ry to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the

Ho - ly Spir - it. [G] In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it.

Please 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.*

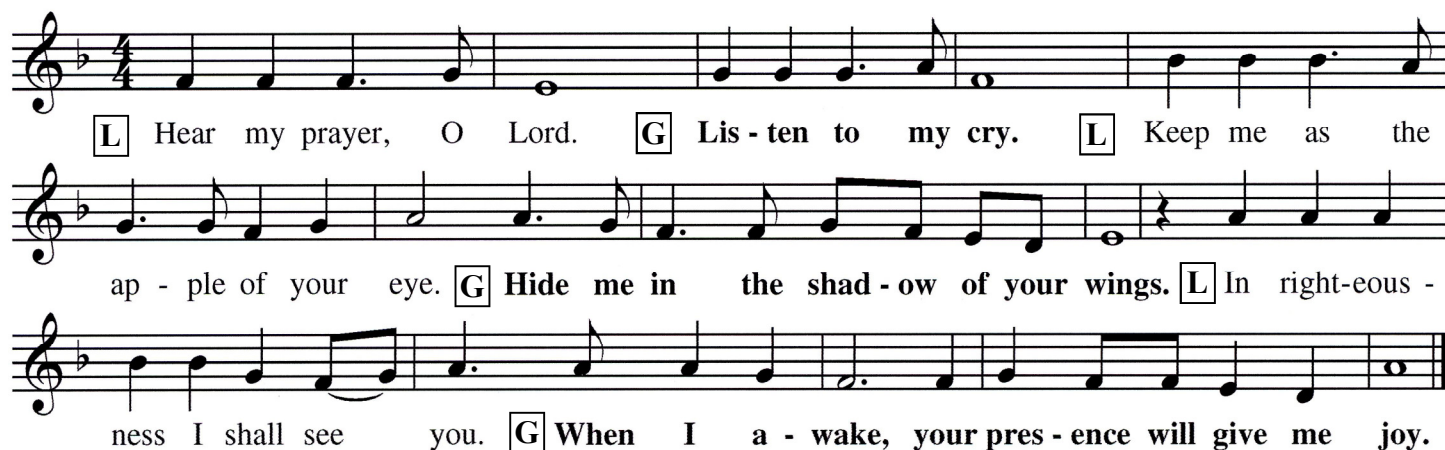


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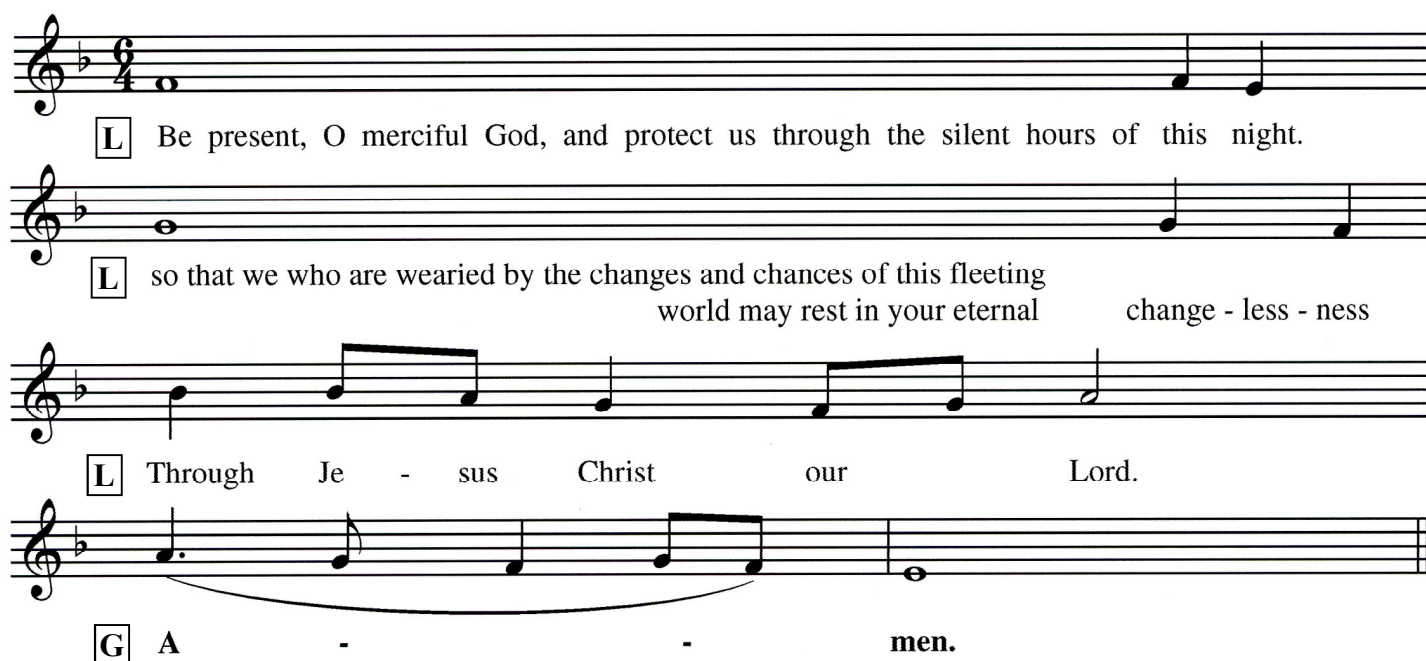
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Please stand

PRAYER



[L] Hear my prayer, O Lord. [G] Lis - ten to my cry. [L] Keep me as the
ap - ple of your eye. [G] Hide me in the shad - ow of your wings. [L] In right - eous -
ness I shall see you. [G] When I a - wake, your pres - ence will give me joy.



[L] Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night.
[L] so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting
world may rest in your eternal change - less - ness
[L] Through Je - sus Christ our Lord.
[G] A - - - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

[G] Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal-lowed be your name, your
king - dom come, your will be done on earth as in heav - en. Give
us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as we for-give
those who sin a - gainst us. Lead us not in-to temp - ta - tion, but de -
liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are
yours now and for - ev - er. A - men.

GOSPEL CANTICLE: SONG OF SIMEON

[L] Guide us wak-ing, O Lord, **[G]** and guard us sleep - - - ing. **[L]** that a-wake we may
watch with Christ **[G]** and a - sleep we may rest in peace. **[G]** In peace, Lord, in
peace you let your ser vant now de - part ac - cord ing to your word. For my
eyes have seen your sal - va - tion which you have prepared for ev 'ry people, a
light to light-en the Gen - tiles and the glo ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.
In peace, in peace.

BLESSING

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

Please be seated

CLOSING HYMN

Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain
Christian Worship #106

Those Assisting in Worship this Evening

Service Pastor Colin Rieke
Service Accompanist..... Elaine Goldie
Sound and Recording Tech Jeff Weinstein

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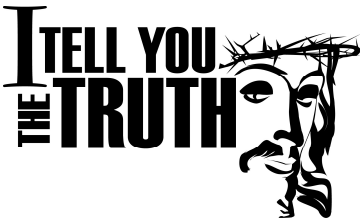
The Passion History for our Lenten worship this year was produced by a group of Lutheran pastors and professors who are working together to produce a new translation of the Bible. It is a sample project to illustrate the style and aims of the Wartburg Project translation. It is a preliminary draft which has not yet undergone final editing.
For more information visit <http://wartburgproject.org>

Lenten Services

Our Lenten theme this year is “I Tell You the Truth,” based on several teachings of Jesus highlighted by that phrase.

- March 18 “You Will Disown Me”
- March 25 “If One Dies, It Produces Life For Many”

Worship Times: 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM at Grace-Tucson



Lenten Suppers

Lenten suppers are served each Wednesday at Grace-Tucson beginning at 5:30 PM. There is no charge for the meal but donations are accepted to offset costs.



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