

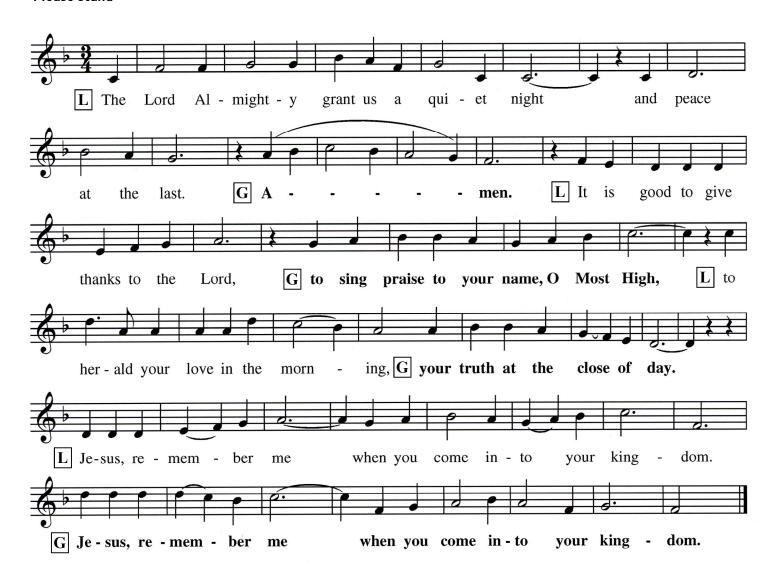
Grace Ev. Lutheran Church Tucson, AZ

Midweek 3 6:30 PM March 4, 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



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

What Wondrous Love Is This Christian Worship #120

RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 116

- [L] I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;
- [G] he heard my cry for mercy.
- [L] Because he turned his ear to me,
- [G] I will call on him as long as I live.
- [L] The LORD is gracious and righteous;
- [G] when I was in great need, he saved me.
- [L] For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,
- [G] my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.
- [L] How can I repay the LORD
- [G] for all his goodness to me?
- [L] I will lift up the cup of salvation
- [G] and call on the name of the LORD.

PSALM PRAYER

- [L] God of mercy and might, through the resurrection of your Son you have freed us from the anguish of guilt and the bonds of death.
- [G] Be with us on our pilgrimage, and help us glorify you in the presence of all your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASSION HISTORY Lesson 2

While they were reclining and eating, Jesus said, "Amen I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They were very sad, and each one began to say to him, "Surely, not I, Lord?" He said to them, "It is one of the Twelve, one who is dipping with me in the dish. For the Son of Man is going just as it has been written about him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would be better for that man if he had not been born."

The disciples started looking at each other, uncertain which of them he meant. One of his disciples, the one Jesus loved, was reclining at Jesus' side. So Simon Peter motioned to him to

find out which one he was talking about. Leaning back against Jesus, he asked, "Lord, who is it?" Jesus replied, "It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread, after I have dipped it in the dish." Then he dipped the piece of bread and gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. So Jesus told him, "What you are about to do, do more quickly."

None of those reclining at the table understood why Jesus said this to him. Since Judas kept the money bag, some thought that Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the festival," or to give something to the poor.

As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night. After Judas had left, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify the Son in himself and will glorify him at once."

While they were eating, on the night when he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples. He said, "Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it all of you, for this is my blood of the new testament, which is poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Dear children, I am going to be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, but just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. A new commandment I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you so also love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus answered, "Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you will follow later." Peter asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you!" Jesus replied, "Will you really lay down your life for me? Simon, Simon, pay attention: Satan has asked to have you all, so that he may sift you as wheat. But I prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have returned to me, strengthen your brothers." Peter answered him, "Even if all fall away because of you, I will never fall away." Jesus said to him, "Amen I tell you, tonight before the rooster crows you will deny me three times." Peter said to him, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never deny you." And all the disciples said the same.

He said to them, "When I sent you out without money bag, traveler's bag, and sandals, did you lack anything?" "Nothing," they said. Then he said to them, "But now, whoever has a money bag, let him take it, and likewise a traveler's bag. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: 'He was counted with transgressors.' For what is

written about me has its fulfillment." They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He said to them, "That is enough."

Then Jesus said to them, "This night you will all fall away because of me, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I have been raised, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

After they sang a hymn, Jesus went out with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, to the Mount of Olives, where there was a garden called Gethsemane. He and his disciples went into it. Now Judas, who was betraying him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. When he reached the place, he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go over there and pray. Keep praying that you may not enter into temptation." Then he took Peter, James, and John along with him and began to be troubled and distressed. He said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow, even to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch."

He withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will. Not my will, but yours be done." When he rose from prayer, he went to the disciples and found them sleeping from sorrow. He said to Peter, "Simon, are you sleeping? Were you not strong enough to keep watch for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to pass unless I drink it, may your will be from me done." Again he returned and found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what they should answer him. He left them again, went away, and prayed a third time. He said the same words as before. An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. As he was in agony, he prayed more fervently. His sweat became like great drops of blood falling to the ground. Then he returned to his disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise. Let us go. Look, my betrayer is near!"

SERMON

Mark 14:1-9 Fruits of Faith Will Be Remembered

Now the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were looking for some sly way to arrest Jesus and kill him. "But not during the Feast," they said, "or the people may riot." While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of a man known as Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head. Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, "Why this waste of perfume?

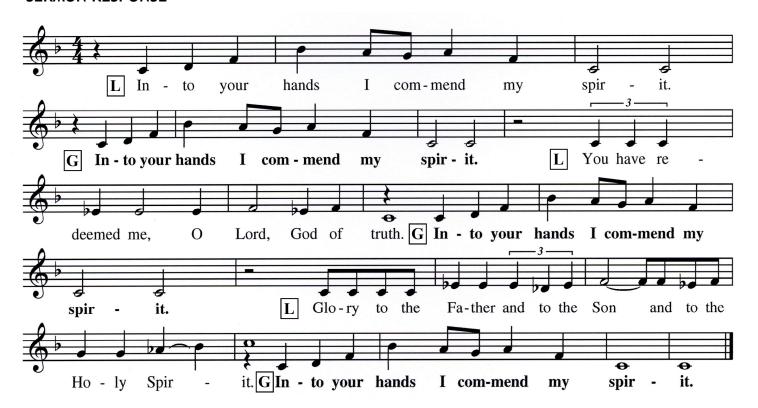
It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor." And they rebuked her "Leave her alone," said harshlv. Jesus. "Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. I tell you the truth, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."



Perfume Bottle Holy Land Roman period 1st Century AD

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SERMON RESPONSE



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.

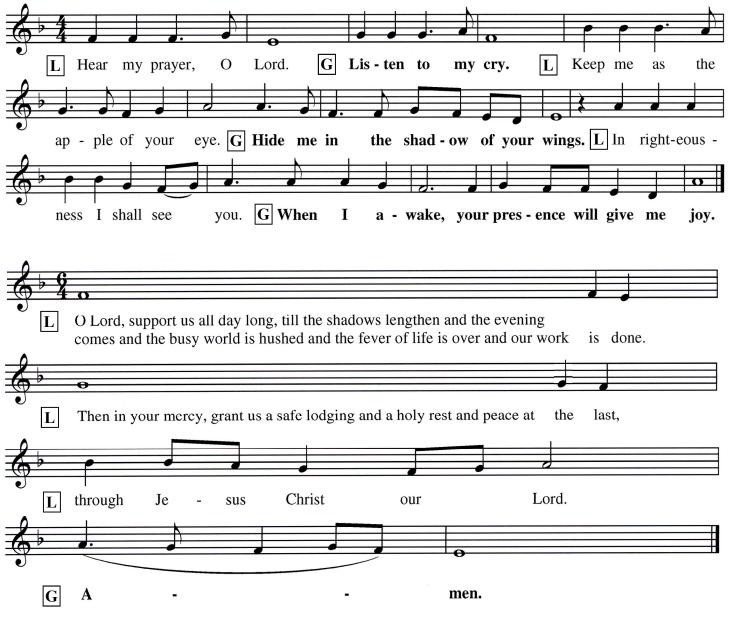


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Please stand

PRAYER



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.

Please be seated

CLOSING HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Christian Worship #125

Those Assisting in Worship this Evening

Service	Pastor Ron Koehler
Service Accompanist	Elaine Goldie
Sound and Recording Tech	Jeremy Snavely

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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 4 "Fruits of Faith Will Be Remembered"
March 11 "One of You Will Betray Me"
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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