# Grow ... Go ... Gather March 30, 2022



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#### THE MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE

### The Service of Early Evening (p. 297 in LSB)

# The Preservice Music, the Call to Worship and the Welcome

**The Opening Hymn:** LSB 435, "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"



#### The Invocation and Versicles

- P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let my prayer rise before You as incense,
- C: the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

P: Joyous light of glory:

C: of the immortal Father; heavenly, holy, blessed Jesus Christ. We have come to the setting of the sun, and we look to the evening light. We sing to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: You are worthy of being praised with pure voices forever. O Son of God, O Giver of life: the universe proclaims Your glory.

A Hymn: The Old Rugged Cross

#### Verse 1

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross The emblem of suff'ring and shame; And I love that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain.

#### **Chorus**

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

#### Verse 2

O the old rugged cross so despised by the world, Has a wondrous attraction for me; For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above To bear it to dark Calvary. **(Chorus)** 

#### Verse 3

In the old rugged cross stained with blood so divine, A wondrous beauty I see, For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, To pardon and sanctify me. **(Chorus)** 

#### Verse 4

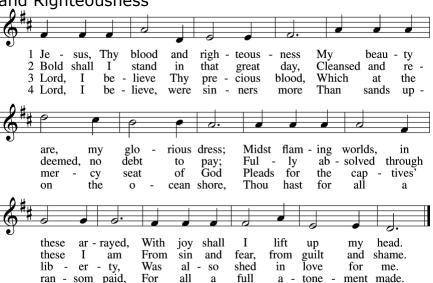
To the old rugged cross I will ever be true; Its shame and reproach gladly bear;

# Then He'll call me some day to my home far away, Where His glory forever I'll share. (Chorus)

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### A Lenten Reading: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ Drawn from the Four Gospels: The Praetorium

**The Sermon Hymn:** LSB 563, "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"



- 5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies, This then shall be my only plea:
  Jesus hath lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me, For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

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#### The Sermon

### The Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

P: Lord Jesus, stay with us, for the evening is at hand and the day is past. Be our constant companion on the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope among us, that we may recognize You as You are revealed in the Scriptures and in the breaking of the bread. Grant this for Your name's sake.

C: Amen.

P: Let us bless the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

A Closing Hymn: LSB 880, "Now Rest Beneath



I encourage you to make it your priority to sit at Jesus' feet on a weekly (if not daily) basis during Lent as He renews and refreshes you through His Word and Sacraments.

- April 3 Lent: A Time for Renewal of Priorities
- April 10 Lent: A Time for Renewal of Godly Fear
- April 14 Lent: A Time for Renewal of Christian Unity
- April 15 Lent: A Time for Renewal of Faith
- April 17 Easter: A Time for Renewal of Hope

#### **Midweek Lenten Services**

We will also have a midweek Lenten service on April 6. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be livestreamed on Facebook Live.

## **Holy Week Services**

Reserve the following services on your calendar and plan to attend!

- Maundy Thursday (with Holy Communion): April 14 at 7:00 p.m.
- Good Friday: April 15 at 7:00 p.m.
- **Easter Sunday** (with Holy Communion): April 17 at 9:30 a.m.

(**Easter Breakfast** prior to worship at 8am. Register on the sign-up sheet by the office)





# St. James Lutheran Church Presents:

An EGGS-traordinary Easter EGGS-perience
April 23 from 1-3 p.m.
2040 Oakwood Ave. NE
Grand Rapids, Michigan

This **EGGS-tra** Special Event will be a Basket Full of Fun Including:

An EGGS-ceptional EGG Hunt, EGGS-citing Games & Activities, EGGS-cellent Crafts, & the EGGS-traodinary Account of Jesus' Resurrection from the Dead!