

# FOR US



**Midweek Lent 3**

**March 11, 2026**

**12:00pm & 6:45pm**

**Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church**

# ORDER OF VESPERS

## MIDWEEK OF LENT 3

FOR US HE SEEKS

### AS WE GATHER

Jesus talks all about seeking us in our texts this week. He does not wait passively until we get up the gumption to ask Him for help. Nor does He act out of selfish gain, like our health-care system seems to do so often today. Praying, teaching, working. In all these things, Jesus seeks us out and looks for ways to help us. This work is often overlooked because it is so ordinary. Water, bread and wine, the folly of preaching. In all these ordinary works, Jesus continues His ministry among us. This ministry of forgiveness means that Jesus continues to strengthen and help us.

### HYMN SING (6:30pm)

### WELCOME

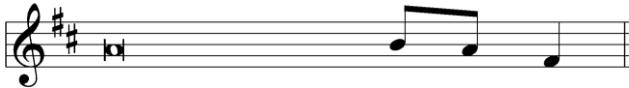
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### OPENING VERSICLES

LSB 229



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

*Sit*

## READING

**Romans 10:8–17**

**P** A reading from the tenth chapter of Romans.

<sup>8</sup>But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing His riches on all who call on Him. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## READING

**Mark 1:35–39**

**P** A reading from the first chapter of Mark.

<sup>35</sup>And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, He departed and went out to a desolate place, and there He prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and those who were with Him searched for Him, <sup>37</sup>and they found Him and said to Him, “Everyone is looking for You.” <sup>38</sup>And He said to them, “Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for

that is why I came out.”<sup>39</sup>And He went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## **PASSION READING**

**Mark 14:53–15:5**

**P** The Passion of Our Lord according to St. Mark, the fourteenth and fifteenth chapters.

<sup>53</sup>And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. <sup>54</sup>And Peter had followed Him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire. <sup>55</sup>Now the chief priests and the whole Council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, but they found none. <sup>56</sup>For many bore false witness against Him, but their testimony did not agree. <sup>57</sup>And some stood up and bore false witness against Him, saying, <sup>58</sup>“We heard Him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’” <sup>59</sup>Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. <sup>60</sup>And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, “Have You no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against You?” <sup>61</sup>But He remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked Him, “Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?” <sup>62</sup>And Jesus said, “I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.” <sup>63</sup>And the high priest tore his garments and said, “What further witnesses do we need? <sup>64</sup>You have heard His blasphemy. What is your decision?” And they all condemned Him as deserving death. <sup>65</sup>And some began to spit on Him and to cover His face and to strike Him, saying to Him, “Prophesy!” And the guards received Him with blows.

<sup>66</sup>And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, <sup>67</sup>and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, “You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus.” <sup>68</sup>But he denied it, saying, “I neither know nor understand what you mean.” And he went out into the gateway and the rooster crowed. <sup>69</sup>And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, “This man is one of them.” <sup>70</sup>But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, “Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.” <sup>71</sup>But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, “I do not know this man of whom you speak.” <sup>72</sup>And immediately the rooster crowed

a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times." And he broke down and wept.

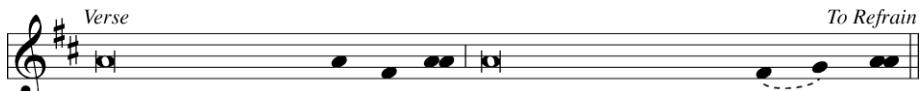
<sup>15:1</sup>And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole Council. And they bound Jesus and led Him away and delivered Him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>And Pilate asked Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?" And He answered him, "You have said so." <sup>3</sup>And the chief priests accused Him of many things. <sup>4</sup>And Pilate again asked Him, "Have You no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against You." <sup>5</sup>But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## LENT RESPONSORY

LSB 231



**L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.  
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.  
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.



**C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me  
from those who rise a - gainst me.

*Sit*

## SERMON HYMN

***O Love, How Deep***

LSB 544

## SERMON

***For Us He Seeks***

**Mark 1**

**Pastor Joel Schultz**

*Stand*

## CANTICLE

***Sing Praise to the God of Israel***

LSB 936

## OFFERING

### PRAYERS

LSB 233

Mark 10:47

**KYRIE** ~ ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*



**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

### LORD'S PRAYER

- C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### COLLECTS



**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.



**C** And let my cry come to You.

**P** Heavenly Father, You did not remain apart from Your creation. You sought us when we were not seeking You and did for us what we could not do for ourselves. For all this we give You thanks and praise; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus

Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. 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.

**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICAMUS & BENEDICTION

LSB 234



**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.



**P** The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



**C** A - men.

## CLOSING HYMN

*Glory Be to Jesus*

LSB 433

**12:00PM WORSHIP SERVICE** - *If you do not need your worship bulletin, please return it to the basket on the usher stand for use at the 6:45pm service. Thank you!*

**POSTLUDE**

**Glory Be to Jesus**  
arr. Kohrs

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**SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS DAY**

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**LENTEN AND EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**MIDWEEK LENTEN SUPPER**

March 18<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>  
Served from 5:30pm – 6:20pm

**MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES**

March 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>  
Services at 12:00pm and 6:45pm (Hymn sing at 6:30pm)

**LESSONS AND CAROLS**

March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:45pm (No hymn sing)