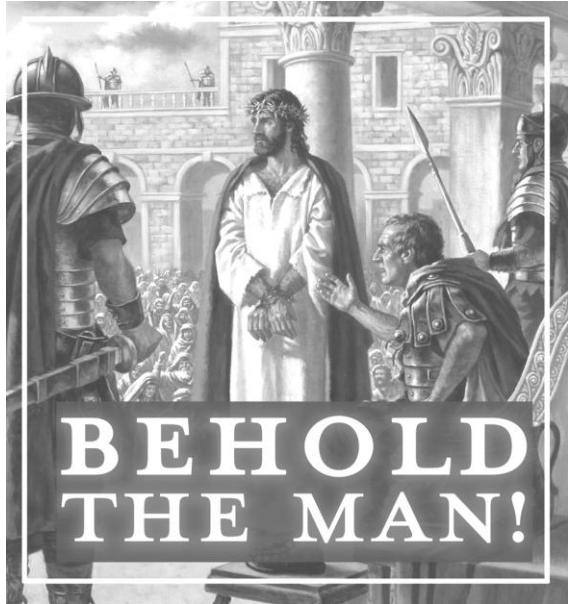


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**Lent Five Midweek Service
April 1, 2020
“Thirsty God”**

Jesus thirsts not for Himself, but
for the salvation of all mankind.

*Please feel free to participate further in this modified Vespers service
by reading aloud the lines in bold marked with “ALL” or “C.”*

Opening Verse

P O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare your praise.
ALL: Praise to you, O Christ, lamb of our salvation.

Psalmody

Psalm 22:12–18; antiphon: Psalm 22:11

ALL: Be not far from me,
for trouble is near,
and there is none to help.

A Many bulls encompass Me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround Me;
C they open wide their mouths at Me,
like a ravening and roaring lion.

- A I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint;
 My heart is like wax; it is melted within My breast;
- C **My strength is dried up like a potsher, and My tongue sticks to My jaws;**
you lay Me in the dust of death.
- A For dogs encompass Me;
 a company of evildoers encircles Me; they have pierced My hands and feet—
- C **I can count all My bones—**
they stare and gloat over Me;
- A they divide My garments among them,
 and for My clothing they cast lots.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**ALL: Be not far from me,
 for trouble is near,
 and there is none to help.**

New Testament Prophetic Reading

Revelation 21:1–7

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

⁵And He who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also He said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶And He said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be My son.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 19:28–30

²⁸ After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), “I thirst.” ²⁹ A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to His mouth. ³⁰ When Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “It is finished,” and He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory for Lent

L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

L In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

Message

“Thirsty God”

John 19:28-30

Kyrie

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Lord’s Prayer

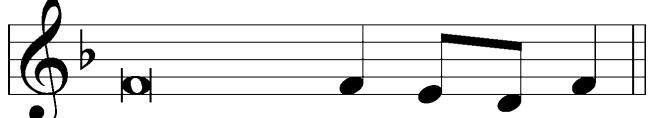
P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

Collect of the Day

- P Almighty God, Your Son thirsted on the cross for our salvation so that we might be satisfied forever.
- C **As we walk through this world of wilderness toward the promised land of the new heavens and the new earth, sustain us with the living waters that Your Son gives us in His Word and Sacraments,**
- P so that as we receive everlasting refreshment, we point others to Jesus, who quenches our every thirst; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

Evening Prayer

ALL: 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.

Benedicamus

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

Benediction

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C **Amen.**

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