

This year in our mid week Lenten worship we look at “Acceptable” Sins? We often focus on the sins of others. We talk about what we think of as “big” sins we see in the world. In this Lenten series we will focus on sins God hates with which we have, unfortunately, grown comfortable.

**GATHERING RITE**

*Stand*

(sing) Baptismal waters cover me  
As I approach on bended knee;  
My Father’s mercy here I plead,  
For grievous sins of thought and deed.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

M: With these words we were called by the Holy Spirit to be members of God’s family at our baptism. Gathered together as brothers and sisters in Christ, let us humble ourselves before God, and admit to him and to one another that we have not lived as God’s children ought to live.

*Silence for personal confession*

M: Do not be angry beyond measure, O Lord;

**C: Do not remember our sins forever. Oh, look upon us, we pray, for we are all your people.**

M: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and action, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We deserve you present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Jesus, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

(sing) I look to Christ upon the tree,  
His body broken there for me;  
I lay before him all my sin,  
My darkest secrets from within.

Lord, may your wounded hand impart  
Your healing to my broken heart;  
Your love alone can form in me  
A heart that serves you joyfully.

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**Gather**  
around the Gospel  
to help people  
**Grow**  
in the **Gospel**  
and  
**Go**  
with the **Gospel**

**Welcome!** We thank God that you have joined us at worship today.

Restrooms are located in the basement. Hearing loop headphones and Large Print Hymnals are available from an usher.

If your children need to leave worship, please take them to the basement. A TV broadcasts the service in the basement.

Today we gather together in the presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of our worship.

**M:** God said, “I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.” (Jeremiah 31:34). For the sake of Jesus Christ, God has had mercy on you and me, and has kept his promise to provide forgiveness. Therefore, I, as a called servant of Jesus Christ, and at his command, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

(sing) From your own mouth comes forth a word;  
Your Shepherd speaks, but you are heard;  
Through him your hand now stretches out,  
Forgiving sin, destroying doubt.

Baptismal waters cover me;  
Christ’s wounded hand has set me free.  
Held in my Father’s strong embrace,  
With joy I praise him for his grace.

*Be seated*

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## THE WORD

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### Special Music

#### Passion History according to Matthew

#### Gethsemane and the Arrest

**Pastor:** Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

**Men:** Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

**Pastor:** Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?” he asked Peter. “Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.”

**Women:** He went away a second time and prayed, “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.”

**Congregation:** When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.

**Pastor:** Then he returned to the 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! Here comes my betrayer!”

**Women:** While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people.

**Men:** Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him." Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. Jesus replied, "Friend, do what you came for."

**Pastor:** Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him. With that, one of Jesus' companions reached for his sword, drew it out and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

**Congregation:** "Put your sword back in its place," Jesus said to him, "for all who draw the sword will die by the sword. Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen in this way?"

**Pastor:** At that time Jesus said to the crowd, "Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I sat in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest me. But this has all taken place that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

## Seasonal Response

**All:** All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

## Hymn

*With Broken Heart and Contrite Sigh* CW 303



1 With bro - ken heart and con - trite sigh, A  
2 I smite up - on my trou - bled breast, With  
3 Far off I stand with tear - ful eyes Nor  
4 No gifts, no deeds that I have done Can  
5 And when, re - deemed from sin and hell, With



trem - bling sin - ner, Lord, I cry. Your  
deep and con - scious guilt op - pressed, Christ  
dare up - lift them to the skies, But  
for a sin - gle sin a - tone. To  
all the ran - somed souls I dwell, My



par - d'ning grace is rich and free— O  
and his cross my on - ly plea— O  
you can all my an - guish see— O  
Cal - va - ry a - lone I flee— O  
joy - ous song shall ev - er be: God



God, be mer - ci - ful to me!  
God, be mer - ci - ful to me!  
God, be mer - ci - ful to me!  
God, be mer - ci - ful to me!  
has been mer - ci - ful to me!

## Sermon

## Irritability/Impatience

## 1 Corinthians 13:4-5

Stand

## Prayer of the Church

### The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

### Benediction

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

*Be Seated*

### Hymn

*Jesus Sinners Does Receive* CW 304:6,7

6 Oh, how blest it is to know,  
Were as scarlet my transgression,  
It shall be as white as snow  
By your blood and bitter passion,  
For these words I do believe—  
Jesus sinners does receive.

7 Jesus sinners does receive.  
Even I have been forgiven.  
And when I this earth must leave,  
I shall find an open heaven.  
Dying, still to him I cleave—  
Jesus sinners does receive.

Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756, abr.; tr. composite.

Tune: MEINEN JESUM LASS ICH NICHT (78 78 77) *Neu-verfertigtes Darmstädtisches Gesang-Buch*, Darmstadt, 1699, alt.

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