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Our mission is to  
**Glorify God**  
as we  
**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.

March 26, 2025  
Lenten Midweek 3



# LORD, HAVE MERCY

**FOR DEMONSTRATING IRREVERENCE  
AND DESPISING YOUR REST**

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The Second and Third Commandment both relate to how our merciful God saves us. The Second Commandment deals with God's name. God's "name" is more than words we use to refer to him: the Lord, Jehovah, Jesus. God's name includes his reputation, i.e., everything the Word tells us about God. The Third Commandment deals with the Sabbath rest God wants his children to enjoy: resting from fear of condemnation, resting in his promise of mercy.

When we use God's name flippantly. . . when we take God's reputation lightly. . . when we are apathetic about his Word. . . when we have little interest in the spiritual rest he offers. . . we demolish these Commandments. That hurts us way more than it hurts God. Disobedience of these Commandments are attempted acts of spiritual suicide. If we continue in this rebellion, we are guaranteeing that hell is our eternal home. So, this week, we ask the Spirit to give us the ability to sincerely pray, "Lord, have mercy, for demonstrating irreverence for your name and despising your Sabbath rest."

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*Stand*

M: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, during the days of Lent, we fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God.

The time of Lent reminds us that to know Christ and the power of his resurrection, we must also know the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death.

As disciples of the Lord Jesus, we are called to struggle against everything that leads us away from love of God and neighbor. I invite you, therefore, to confess your sins, ask our Father for forgiveness, and commit yourselves to this struggle.

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 Verse 1 and Refrain of Lord, Have Mercy*

**Hymn**

*Lord, Have Mercy CW 652*



1 For what we have done and left un - done we fall on your  
(2 For) what you have done, your life of love you per - fect - ly



count - less mer - cies. For sins that are known and  
lived, we praise you. Though tempt - ed and tried, you



those un - known we call on your name so ho - ly.  
fixed your eyes; you fin - ished the work God gave you.



For en - vy and pride, for clos - ing our eyes; for  
And there on the tree, a King a - mong thieves, you



scorn - ing our ver - y neigh - bor. In  
bled for a world's be - tray - al. You



thought, word, and deed we've failed you, our King; how  
loved to the end, our mer - ci - ful friend; how



deep - ly we need a Sav - ior. *Refrain I*  
pure and for - ev - er faith - ful. *Refrain II*



*Refrain I*  
Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy,



Lord, have mer - cy on us.

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M: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire the death of sinners but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. Therefore, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son U and of the Holy Spirit.

During these days of Lent, let us implore God to give us renewal and his Holy Spirit. May we continue to abide in the true faith and at the last be received by him through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*Sing Verse 2 and Refrain of Lord, Have Mercy*

*Be seated*

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## THE WORD

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### Passion History

**Luke 22:54-71**

Even as Jesus' disciple treated him like trash, denying any connection to him, Jesus mercifully treats us like treasure, enduring the trial and condemnation our sins deserved.

<sup>54</sup> Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. <sup>55</sup> And when some there had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. <sup>56</sup> A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight.

**C: She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him."**

M: <sup>57</sup> But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

**C: <sup>58</sup> A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them."**

M: "Man, I am not!" Peter replied.

**C: <sup>59</sup> About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean."**

M: <sup>60</sup> Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. <sup>61</sup> The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." <sup>62</sup> And he went outside and wept bitterly.

<sup>63</sup> The men who were guarding Jesus began mocking and beating him. <sup>64</sup> They blindfolded him and demanded, "Prophecy! Who hit you?" <sup>65</sup> And they said many other insulting things to him.

<sup>66</sup> At daybreak the council of the elders of the people, both the chief priests and the teachers of the law, met together, and Jesus was led before them. <sup>67</sup> "If you are the Messiah," they said, "tell us."

Jesus answered, "If I tell you, you will not believe me, <sup>68</sup> and if I asked you, you would not answer. <sup>69</sup> But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the mighty God."

<sup>70</sup> They all asked, "Are you then the Son of God?"

He replied, "You say that I am."

<sup>71</sup> Then they said, "Why do we need any more testimony? We have heard it from his own lips." (NIV)

## Grades 3-4 (11 am)

## When I Survey the Wondrous Cross CW 407:1,3-4

1 When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss  
and pour contempt on all my pride.

3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down.  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?  
Christ crucified, I come.

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a tribute far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

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## Reading

## Exodus 34:1-7

As God gives Moses the commandments, God also proclaims his name, the LORD. God's name includes his reputation, what he is like. . . what he does.

<sup>1</sup> The Lord said to Moses, "Chisel out two stone tablets like the first ones, and I will write on them the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. <sup>2</sup> Be ready in the morning, and then come up on Mount Sinai. Present yourself to me there on top of the mountain. <sup>3</sup> No one is to come with you or be seen anywhere on the mountain; not even the flocks and herds may graze in front of the mountain."

<sup>4</sup> So Moses chiseled out two stone tablets like the first ones and went up Mount Sinai early in the morning, as the Lord had commanded him; and he carried the two stone tablets in his hands. <sup>5</sup> Then the Lord came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the Lord. <sup>6</sup> And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation." (NIV)



# LORD, HAVE MERCY

## Hymn

## These Are the Holy Ten Commands CW 634:A,2,3,B,C



A These are the ho - ly Ten Com - mands God gave to us by  
2nd "In what you speak bring me no shame; do not mis - use my  
3rd "Re - spect the Sab - bath of the Lord! Do not de - spise my  
B You have this law to see there - in that you have not been  
C Our works can - not sal - va - tion gain; they mer - it on - ly



Mo - ses' hands when high on Si - nai's mount he stood,  
ho - ly name, but call on me in trou - bled days;  
ho - ly Word, but hold it sa - cred, pre - cious, true,  
free from sin but al - so that you clear - ly see  
end - less pain. For - give us, Lord! To Christ we flee,



re - ceiv - ing them for our good. Have mer - cy, Lord!  
give me your thanks, prayers, and praise." Have mer - cy, Lord!  
and hear that truth preached to you." Have mer - cy, Lord!  
how pure toward God life should be. Have mer - cy, Lord!  
who pleads for us end - less - ly. Have mer - cy, Lord!

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## Reading

## Hebrews 4:1-12

Through the Word of Christ, God mercifully provides us with Sabbath rest.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it. <sup>2</sup>For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed. <sup>3</sup>Now we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said,

“So I declared on oath in my anger,

“They shall never enter my rest.” [Psalm 95:11]

And yet his works have been finished since the creation of the world. <sup>4</sup>For somewhere he has spoken about the seventh day in these words: “On the seventh day God rested from all his works.” [Gen. 2:2] <sup>5</sup>And again in the passage above he says, “They shall never enter my rest.”

<sup>6</sup> Therefore since it still remains for some to enter that rest, and since those who formerly had the good news proclaimed to them did not go in because of their disobedience, <sup>7</sup> God again set a certain day, calling it “Today.” This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage already quoted:

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts.” [Psalm 95:7,8]

<sup>8</sup> For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day. <sup>9</sup> There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; <sup>10</sup> for anyone who enters God’s rest also rests from their works,<sup>[e]</sup> just as God did from his. <sup>11</sup> Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience.

<sup>12</sup> For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. (NIV)

## Devotion

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Commandments

### Lord Have Mercy: For Demonstrating Irreverence and Despising Your Rest

## Offering

*Stand*

Please sign the friendship register located in your pew.

Guests please don’t feel a necessity to give an offering today. *“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver”* (2 Corinthians 9:7).

## Confession of Faith

*from the Small Catechism*

M: The Second Commandment:

**C: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

M: What does this mean?

**C: We should fear and love God that we do not use his name to curse, swear, lie, or deceive, or use it superstitiously, but call upon God’s name in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.**

M: The Third Commandment:

**C: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

M: What does this mean?

**C: We should fear and love God that we do not despise preaching and his Word, but regard it as holy and gladly hear and learn it.**

## Prayer

## 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

*Go to Dark Gethsemane CW 425*



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, all who feel the  
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of  
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing  
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his



tempt - er's pow'r; your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,  
life ar - rained. Oh, the worm-wood and the gall,  
at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time,  
breath - less clay; all is sol - i - tude and gloom.



watch with him one bit - ter hour. Turn not from his  
oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,  
God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"  
Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.  
pain, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.  
hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.  
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

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