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Lent 5 (Judica – "Judge me")

Today's Focus:

GOD DECLARES HIS GRACE TO US IN JESUS CHRIST

HYMN 184 (Red Hymnal)

Jesus, in Thy Thirst and Pain

THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE – *Tan Worship Supplement, Page 12*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Hebrews 5:7-9 (on back) *Our Savior's life and death on earth was the perfection of ultimate suffering...done for us.*

CHOIR (Red Hymnal – 140) *Jesus, I will Ponder Now*



*Jesus, I will ponder now
On Thy holy Passion;
With Thy Spirit me endow
For such meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith
May the image cherish
Of Thy suffering, pain, and death,
That I may not perish.*

John 12:20-33 (on back) *The Savior announces the coming time of His glorification through which He will draw all people to Himself.*

CONFESSION OF FAITH - *Worship Supplement, Page 15* – *Apostles' Creed*

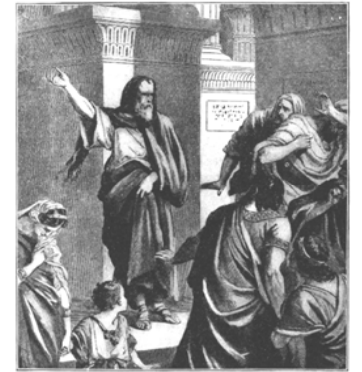
The Apostles' Creed was written as a brief summary of the Christian faith as believed and taught by the Apostles.

HYMN 148 v. 1-4 (Red Hymnal)

Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light

SERMON – NIV Jeremiah 31:31 "The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares

the LORD. 33 "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. 34 No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."



THEME ...**DECLARES THE LORD.**

HYMN 759 (*Worship Supplement*)

These are the Facts

OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD – Sing 400 v. 1, 6 (*Red Hymnal*)

*Take my life and let it be; Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour; At Thy feet its treasure-store;
Take myself, and I will be; Ever, only, all, for Thee.*

**SPECIAL PRAYERS - GENERAL PRAYER - LORD'S PRAYER
BENEDICTION**

CLOSING HYMN 179 (*Red Hymnal*)

On My Heart Imprint Thine Image



NEWS and NOTES

Welcome visitors! We are very happy that you are here with us today and invite you to come again! Please sign our guest book. If you have questions about our church and school please ask!

-TODAY: Choir and children practice "Hosanna" after church / Bible Class will be taking up for review of the revised "CLC Brief Statement of Faith and Purpose" Lord willing this Sunday and next.

-THIS WEEK:

TUESDAY MARCH 31st Bible class at 10am with the study of the prophet Haggai.

SATURDAY APRIL 4th (Church work day) –Tree trimming, painting, mowing, and much more!

-NEXT WEEK (Holy Week):

TUESDAY APRIL 7th Bible class at 10am continued study of minor prophets

THURSDAY APRIL 9th Maundy Thursday Service, family supper 6pm, Service w/communion 7pm

FRIDAY APRIL 10th Good Friday Service 7pm

SATURDAY APRIL 11th Decorate church for Sunday 10am -12 Noon

SUNDAY APRIL 12th Resurrection Sunday Service 10am, Easter Brunch 11:15am

-CALL NEWS: The Rev. David Fuerstenau, Ketchikan AK, has returned the call to Living Word Lutheran, Liberty MO. This announcement received from President Schierenbeck: The Rev. George Dummann [pastor of Redeemer Lutheran, Bowdle, First Lutheran, Faulkton, and Zion Lutheran Ipswich SD] has resigned from the pastoral ministry for non-doctrinal reasons effective April 12. Please keep Pastor Dummann and the congregations in your prayers.