

# LENT MIDWEEK IV

## March 13, 2024

SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING

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*\*Indicates to Stand*

OPENING HYMN:

*“My Song Is Love Unknown”*

# 430



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to  
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -  
3 Some - times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es  
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly  
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would  
sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their  
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake  
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,  
King. Then “Cru - ci - fy!” Is all their breath,  
sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
Who at my need His life did spend!  
And for His death They thirst and cry.  
Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

5 They rise and needs will have  
My dear Lord made away;  
A murderer they save,  
The Prince of Life they slay.  
Yet cheerful He  
To suff'ring goes  
That He His foes  
From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home  
My Lord on earth might have;  
In death no friendly tomb  
But what a stranger gave.  
What may I say?  
Heav'n was His home  
But mine the tomb  
Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,  
 No story so divine!  
 Never was love, dear King,  
 Never was grief like Thine.  
 This is my friend,  
 In whose sweet praise  
 I all my days  
 Could gladly spend!

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**\*OPENING VERSICLES**

P: This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Psalm 118:24*

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C: the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

*Psalm 113:3*

P: Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,

**C: slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.**

P: Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,

**C: let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.**

P: Christ was wounded for our transgressions.

**C: He was bruised for our iniquities** *Joel 2:13; Matthew 16:24; Isaiah 53:5*

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C: The name of the Lord is to be praised.**

*Psalm 113:3*

**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.**

**\*OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE**

*Isaiah 12:2b-6*

*Refrain*

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
 With joy will you draw wa - ter from the  
 wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up-on His name,



make known His deeds a-mong the peo-ples, pro-

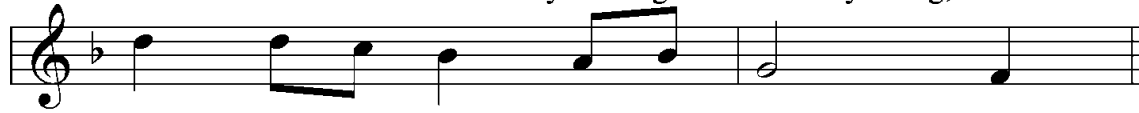


claim that His name is ex-alt-ed."

*Refrain*



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be-come my sal-va-tion.



Sing prais-es to the Lord, for He has done



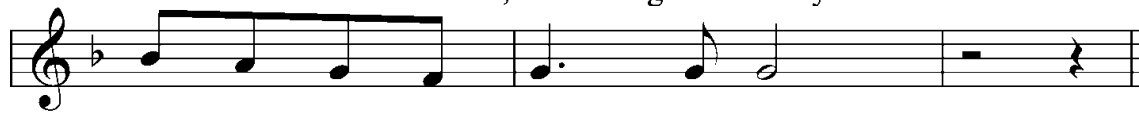
glo-rious-ly; let this be made known in all the



earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in-



hab-i-tants of Zi-on, for great in your midst is the



Ho-ly One of Is-ra-el.

*Refrain*



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be-come my sal-va-tion.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son

and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will  
be for - ev - er. A - men.  
*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Acts 2:41-47

*Response:*

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### PASSION READING IV

*Response:*

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### \*RESPONSORY

P: We have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. *1 John 2:1*

**C: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.** *[Mark 10:33]*

P: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. *Psalm 32:1*

**C: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.** *[Mark 10:33]*

P: We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. *1 John 2:1*

C: **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.** *[Mark 10:33]*

**\*TEN COMMANDMENTS:** *(spoken by all)* *Exodus 20:2-17*

**You shall have no other gods. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

**\*APOSTLES' CREED:** *(spoken by all)*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER:** *(spoken by all)* *Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**



1 Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, Ho - ly  
 2 God has called you out of dark - ness In - to  
 3 Once you were an al - ien peo - ple, Strang - ers  
 4 Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, Be the



na - tion, cho - sen race; Called as God's own  
 His most mar - v'ulous light; Brought His truth to  
 to God's heart of love; But He brought you  
 peo - ple He in - tends; Strong in faith and



spe - cial peo - ple, Roy - al priests and heirs of  
 life with - in you, Turned your blind - ness in - to  
 home in mer - cy, Cit - i - zens of heav'n a -  
 swift to an - swer Each com - mand your Mas - ter



grace: Know the pur - pose of your call - ing,  
 sight. Let your light so shine a - round you  
 bove. Let His love flow out to oth - ers,  
 sends: Roy - al priests, ful - fill your call - ing



Show to all His might - y deeds; Tell of love that  
 That God's name is glo - ri - fied And all find fresh  
 Let them feel a Fa - ther's care; That they too may  
 Through your sac - ri - fice and prayer; Give your lives in



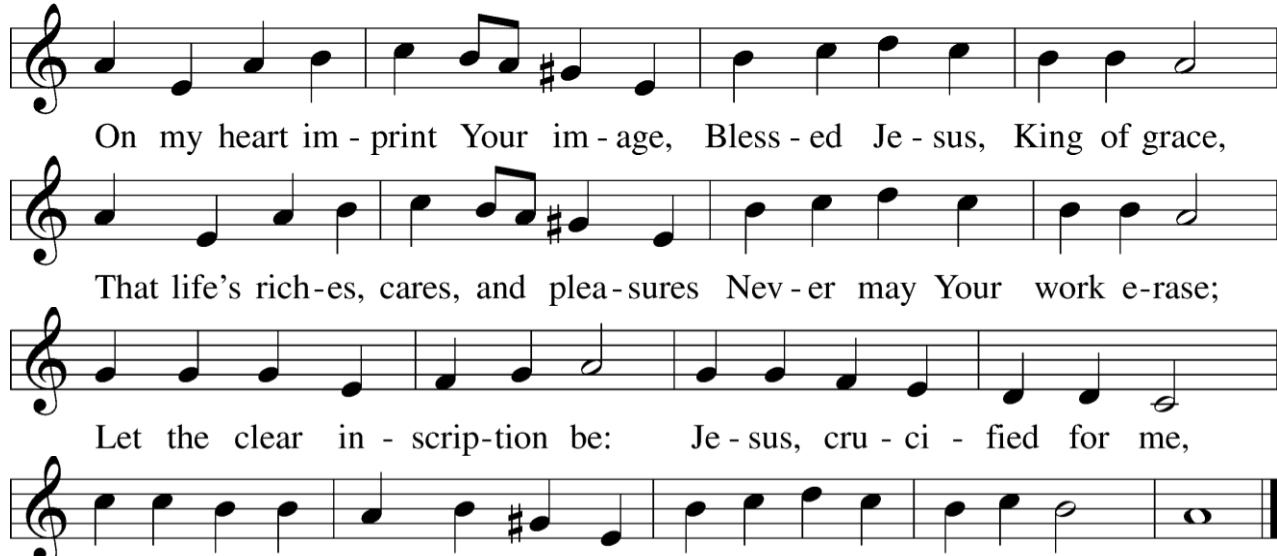
knows no lim - its, Grace that meets all hu - man needs.  
 hope and pur - pose In Christ Je - sus cru - ci - fied.  
 know His wel - come And His count - less bless - ings share.  
 joy - ful ser - vice— Sing His praise, His love de - clare.

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**OFFERING:** *(as the offerings are being gathered to glorify our Lord, please sign and pass the red attendance booklet found in the pew)*

**\*OFFERTORY:**            *"On My Heart Imprint Your Image"*            **# 422**



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,  
That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-raise;  
Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,  
Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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**\*PRAYER**

**P:** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C:** **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

**\*COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: . . . one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*COLLECT FOR THE WORD**

P: Blessed Lord, . . . one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*EVENING PRAYER:** *(spoken by all)*

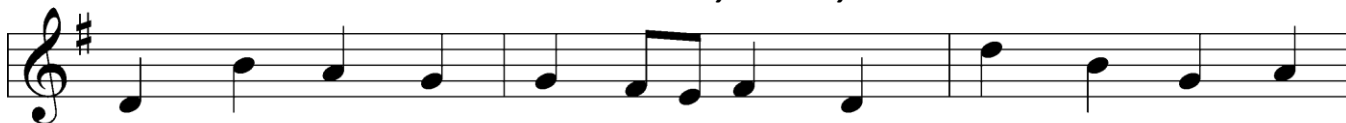
I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

*Small Catechism*



**\*CANTICLE HYMN:** "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

# 435



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -  
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -  
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -  
From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.  
will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.  
deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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**\*BLESSING**

**P:** Let us bless the Lord.

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

*[Psalm 103:1]*

**P:** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C:** **Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN:**

*"Where Charity and Love Prevail"*

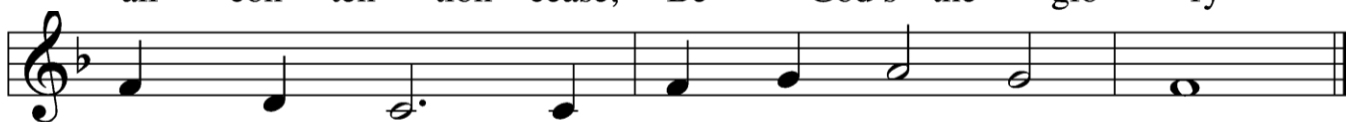
**# 845**



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail There  
2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear His  
3 For - give we now each oth - er's faults As  
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; Let



God is ev - er found; Brought here to - geth - er  
char - i - ty we learn; Let us with heart and  
we our faults con - fess, And let us love each  
all con - ten - tion cease; Be God's the glo - ry



by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.  
mind and soul Now love Him in re - turn.  
oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.  
that we seek; Be ours His ho - ly peace.

5 Let us recall that in our midst  
Dwells Christ, His only Son;  
As members of His body joined  
We are in Him made one.

6 For love excludes no race or clan  
That names the Savior's name;  
His family embraces all  
Whose Father is the same.

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