

# Lenten Midweek

February 28, 2024

## Hymn #435 "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain,  
Sinners, ruined by the fall;  
Here a pure and healing fountain  
Flows for you, for me, for all,  
In a full, perpetual tide,  
Opened when our Savior died.

Come in poverty and meanness,  
Come defiled, without, within;  
From infection and uncleanness,  
From the leprosy of sin,  
Wash your robes and make them white;  
Ye shall walk with God in light.

Come in sorrow and contrition,  
Wounded, impotent, and blind;  
Here the guilty, free remission,  
Here the troubled, peace may find.  
Health this fountain will restore;  
They that drink shall thirst no more.

They that drink shall live forever;  
'Tis a soul-renewing flood.  
God is faithful; God will never  
Break His covenant of blood,  
Signed when our Redeemer died,  
Sealed when He was glorified.

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## Psalm Psalm 32

**P:** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,

**C: whose sin is covered.**

**P:** Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,

**C: and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

**P:** For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away

**C: through my groaning all day long.**

**P:** For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me;

**C: my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

**P:** I acknowledged my sin to You,

**C: and I did not cover my iniquity;**

**P:** I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"

**C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P:** Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found;

**C: surely in the rush of great waters,  
they shall not reach him.**

**P:** You are a hiding place for me;

**C: You preserve me from trouble;  
You surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

**P:** I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;

**C: I will counsel you with My eye upon you.**

**P:** Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,

**C: which must be curbed with bit and bridle,  
or it will not stay near you.**

**P:** Many are the sorrows of the wicked,

**C: but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.**

**P:** Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,

**C: and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

### Reading from Holy Scripture

Psalm 16:1-2, 7-11 ESV

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

<sup>2</sup> I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;  
I have no good apart from you."

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
in the night also my heart instructs me.

<sup>8</sup> I have set the LORD always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;  
my flesh also dwells secure.

<sup>10</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,  
or let your holy one see corruption.

<sup>11</sup> You make known to me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Sermon *"The Spirit of the Lord will rest upon Him . . . the Spirit of counsel and might"*

### Offering

### The Litany

**P:** O Lord,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** O Christ,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** O Lord,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** O Christ,

**C: hear us.**

**P:** God the Father in heaven,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** God the Holy Spirit,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** Be gracious to us.

**C: Spare us, good Lord.**

**P:** Be gracious to us.

**C: Help us, good Lord.**

**P:** By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;  
by Your baptism, fasting, and temptation;  
by Your agony and bloody sweat;  
by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial;  
by Your glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

**C: Help us, good Lord.**

**P:** In all time of our tribulation;  
in all time of our prosperity;  
in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

**C: Help us, good Lord.**

**P:** We poor sinners implore You

**C: to hear us, O Lord.**

**P:** To prosper the preaching of Your Word; to bless our prayer and meditation;  
to strengthen and preserve us in the true faith;  
and to give heart to our sorrow and strength to our repentance:

**C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**P:** To draw all to Yourself;  
to bless those who are instructed in the faith;  
to watch over and console the poor, the sick, the distressed, the lonely, the forsaken, the abandoned, and all who stand in our need of prayers;  
to give abundant blessing to all works of mercy;  
and to have mercy on us all;

**C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**P:** To turn our hearts to You;  
to turn the hearts of our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers;  
and to graciously hear our prayers;

**C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**P:** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

**C: we implore You to hear us.**

**P:** Christ, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** Christ, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** Christ, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world,

**C: grant us Your peace.**

**P:** O Christ,

**C: hear us.**

**P:** O Lord,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** O Christ,

**C: have mercy.**

**P:** O Lord,

**C: have mercy. Amen.**

**P:** O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. We implore You to have compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, for we acknowledge that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Mercifully pardon our sins that we may obtain the promises You have laid up for those who are repentant; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## 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 kingdo  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## Blessing

Jude 24-25

**P:** To Him Who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy —

**C: to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority,**

**P:** through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore!

**C: Amen.**

## Hymn #878 "Abide with Me" *final verse will be sung a capella*

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.

The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.

When other helpers fail and comforts flee,

Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour;

What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?

Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?

Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;

Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.

Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?

I triumph still if Thou abide with me!

*And when at last You come again to save,*

*Raise us to life and bring us from the grave!*

*And then with all Your people, strong and free*

*I shall rejoice, for You abide with me.*

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