

*March 17, 2021*

*5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Worship*

*6:30 PM*



*Hands of Brutality (Soldiers)*

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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing  
The Good News of **Jesus' Love and Forgiveness.*****

# March 17, 2021

6:30pm 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday: Hands of Brutality (Soldiers)

Pastor's Greeting:



Hymn: *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* ..... CW # 105 1-4



1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, With grief and  
2 Men mock and taunt and jeer you, They smite your  
3 Now from your cheeks has van - ished Their col - or,  
4 My bur - den in your pas - sion, Lord, you have



shame weighed down, Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed,  
coun - te - nance, Though might - y worlds shall fear you  
once so fair; From your red lips is ban - ished  
borne for me, For it was my trans - gres - sion,



With thorns your on - ly crown, O sa - cred head, no  
And flee be - fore your glance. How pale you are with  
The splen - dor that was there. Grim death with cru - el  
My shame, on Cal - va - ry. I cast me down be -



glo - ry Now from your face does shine; Yet, though de -  
an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn! Your eyes with  
rig - or Has robbed you of your life; Thus you have  
fore you; Wrath is my right - ful lot. Have mer - cy,



spised and go - ry, I joy to call you mine.  
pain now lan - guish That once were bright as morn!  
lost your vig - or, Your strength, in this sad strife.  
I im - plore you; Re - deem - er, spurn me not!

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**Confession and Absolution**

L: The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also, with you.**

L: This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you:

**C: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.**

L: If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness,

**C: We lie and do not live by the truth.**

L: If we claim to be without sin,

**C: We deceive our selves and the truth in not in us.**

L: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**All: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

L: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C: Amen.**

L: Lord God, we thank you for this day of grace now drawing to a close. Stay with us and warm our hearts with your forgiving love in Christ. May your Word keep our faith burning brightly that we may walk in the light of your presence while we travel through the darkness of this world. Come to us and bless us as we worship you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **The Passion History**

**Mark 14: 66–72**

**L:** <sup>66</sup> While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came by. <sup>67</sup> When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked closely at him. she said,

**C: “You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus,”**

**L:** <sup>68</sup> But Peter denied it. “I don’t know or understand what you’re talking about,” he said, and went out into the entryway. <sup>69</sup> When the servant girl saw him there, she said again to those standing around,

**C: “This fellow is one of them.”**

**L:** <sup>70</sup> Again Peter denied it. After a little while, those standing near said to Peter, “Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.” <sup>71</sup> He began to call down curses on himself, and he swore to them,

**C: “I don’t know this man you’re talking about.”**

**L:** <sup>72</sup> Immediately the rooster crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken to him: “Before the rooster crows twice you will disown me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

**All: God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.**

## **Psalm 78**

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### *Refrain*



Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

### *Psalm tone*



O my people, hear my teaching;\*  
listen to the words of my mouth.

I will utter things from of old,\*  
what we have heard and what our fathers have told us.

We will not hide them from our children;\*  
we will tell the next generation  
the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD.

### *Refrain*

The LORD decreed statutes for Jacob\*  
and established the law in Israel,  
so the next generation would know them,\*  
and they in turn would tell their children.

Then they would put their trust in God\*  
and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.

**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.**

### *Refrain*

**Psalm Prayer:** Lord our God, let your Word be a lamp to our feet and the light to our path so that we and our children may understand what you would have us know, believe, and do, as we travel on the to the eternal home that you have prepared for us; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Gospel:

Matthew 27:27-31

L: <sup>27</sup> The governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. <sup>28</sup> They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup> and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. <sup>30</sup> They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. <sup>31</sup> After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

C: 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: O Dearest Jesus..... CW # 117 Stz 1-4

1 O dear - est Je - sus, what law have you bro - ken  
 2 They crown your head with thorns, they smite, they scourge you;  
 3 Whence come these sor - rows, whence this mor - tal an - guish?  
 4 What pun - ish - ment so strange is suf - fered you - der!

That such sharp sen - tence should on you be spo - ken?  
 With cru - el mock - ings to the cross they urge you;  
 It is my sins for which you, Lord, must lan - guish;  
 The Shep - herd dies for sheep that loved to wan - der;

Of what great crime have you to make con -  
 They give you gall to drink, they still de -  
 Yes, all the wrath, the woe that you in -  
 The Mas - ter pays the debt his ser - vants

fes - sion — What dark trans - gres - sion?  
 cry you; They cru - ci - fy you.  
 her - it, This I do mer - it.  
 owe him, Who would not know him.

*Sermon:*

*Matthew 27:27–31 (pg 6)*

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**Prayer:** God of all grace and mercy let your Spirit continue to be with us as we follow Jesus to Calvary's Holy Hill. Today and everyday, focus our attention of our Savior's word and passion. Strengthen our faith in Jesus, renew in us the zeal to serve, and empower us to share your message of salvation with others. This we ask in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

**Lord's Prayer:** *(traditional)*

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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!***

**Together we pray Luther's Evening Prayer:**

**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 and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands, I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen**

**L:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen

**C: Amen**

**Hymn:** *Lord Jesus Christ, You Set Us Free* ..... **CW # 123 Stz 1, 2, & 3**

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1 Lord Je - sus Christ, you set us free — Ac - cept our thanks e -  
 2 By vir - tue of the wounds you bore, True God and Man, our  
 3 De - fend us, Lord, from sin and shame; Help us by your al -

ter - nal - ly! For - giv - en through your pre - cious blood,  
 hope re - store. Give cour - age when we yield our breath;  
 might - y name To bear our cross - es pa - tient - ly,

We now are rec - on - ciled to God.  
 De - liv - er us from hell and death.  
 Con - soled by your great ag - o - ny.

**Cleaning Volunteers**

- March 20, Gerlach family
- April 3, Galbreath family
- April 17 G & K Potter / Cammarata

**Retired Pastor Robert Green** will undergo surgery to remove his bladder. May the Lord guide the hands of his surgeon and bring healing to his body.

**Council Meeting**

Zoom begins at  
 6:30pm Tues.  
 March 16<sup>th</sup>.

**March 2021 Birthday**

10 Aiden Sullivan

<u>Lenten Worship Schedule</u>	
Sunday, Mar. 21	Worship @ <b>9:30 AM</b>
Wed., Mar. 24	Worship @ 6:30 PM
Palm Sun. Mar. 28	Worship @ <b>9:30 AM</b>
Maundy Th April 1 Communion	Worship @ 6:30 PM
Good Friday April 2	Worship @ 6:30 PM
<b>Easter Sunday April 4</b>	Worship @ <b>10:00 AM</b>