+THE DIVINE SERVICE+

OF THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT + 21 MARCH 2021



"JUDICA"

The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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"A Church where God gives and we receive."

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Welcome to our Divine Service!

We are pleased that you are with us.

+Worship Notes+

The entire service, including the rubrics of when to sit and when to kneel or stand, and what to say, is printed out in this folder so you may follow along.

Welcome to weekly Divine Service at The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church! We are a congregation that confesses the Holy Bible as inerrant, that justification is by faith according to the Holy Bible and confessed in the 1580 Book of Concord. God bless you.

To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. Please introduce yourself to our pastor. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world. **If you are looking for a church home** and would like to know about our beliefs and practice, please see the pastor. He will be happy to visit with you at your convenience.

Please see more notes on the Service and for the facility below and on pgs 20ff

PLEASE: Upon entering the nave, <u>silence</u> should be observed in order to allow all to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the LORD and the reception of His gifts.

Stay Home when Sick

If you are sick or are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, please stay home. If you start to experience symptoms while in attendance at a service or out anywhere else, please go home immediately, exiting down the side aisle, if possible. If at a service, notify an Usher on your way out so we may direct our cleaning and communication efforts.

Facility and Service Modifications

Until Further Notice Include, But Are Not Limited to:

Narthex: Do not congregate here at any time

Masks: to be worn at all times in the presence of others

Distancing: Please maintain six feet of separation unless in same household.

No food or drink served after the service.

No Sunday Adult Bible Class or Sunday School.

Bulletin: Pick one up for each individual upon entry, maintaining physical

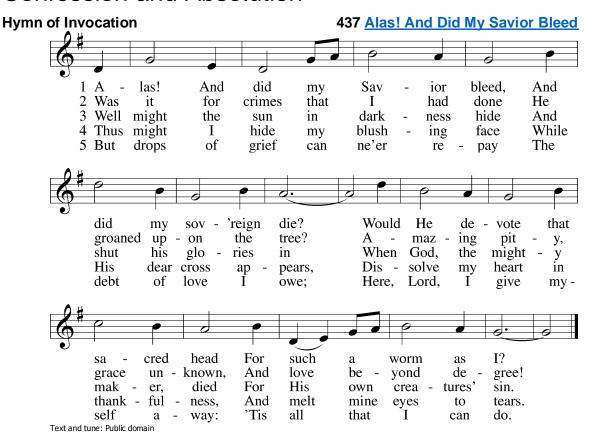
distancing from others in front of you.

Hymns and liturgy are complete in the bulletin.

Seating: In any open (non-taped) pew on either side of the center aisle.

No Tuesday Matins or Bible Class.

Confession and Absolution



Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, 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 neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 43:3-5; antiphon: vv. 1-2a

Vindicate me, O God,

and defend my cause against an ungodly people,

from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!

For you are the God in whom I take refuge.

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;

let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!

Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

Vindicate me, O God,

and defend my cause against an ungodly people,

from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!

For you are the God in whom I take refuge.



Kyrie LSB 168



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.





A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,





C Lord, have mer - cy.



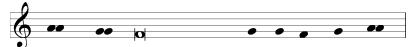
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son

Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of

the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men,

"Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there

and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eves and looked, and behold, behind

eyes and looked, and behold, behind was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."



- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!

[You] delivered me from my enemies;

you rescued me from the man of violence.

Epistle Reading

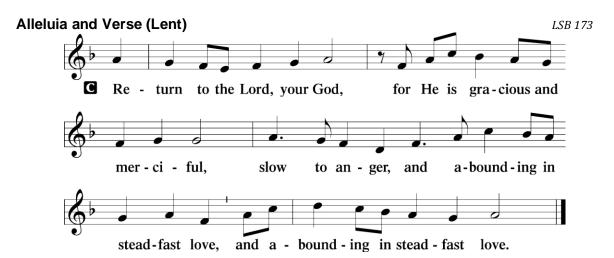
Hebrews 9:11-15

¹¹When Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

¹⁵Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel John 8:46–59

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



⁴⁶"Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? ⁴⁷Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason

why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

48The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?"

49Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. 50Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge.

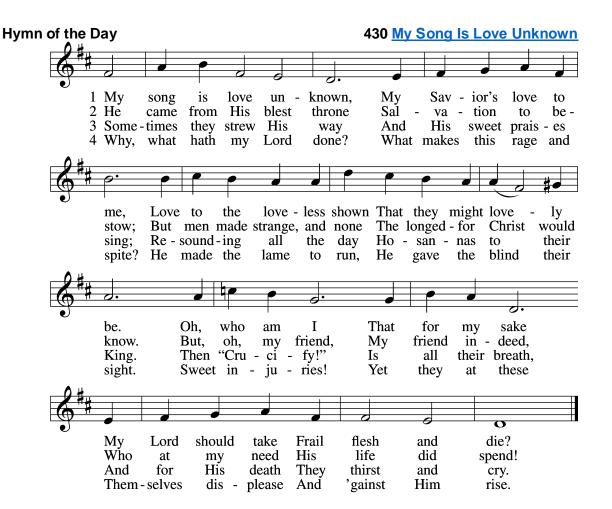
51Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death."

52The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death."

53Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do

make yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' ⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.





- 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.
- 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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Sermon

Pastor Edward Killian

Stand

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ. the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

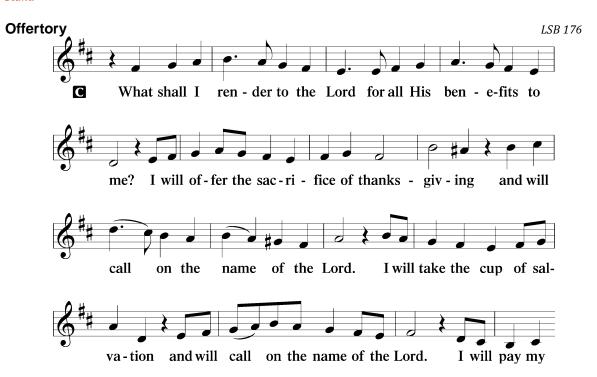
- In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P To the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who by His death brought us to His holy hill and by His resurrection justified us in His sight; that He would lead us by the light and truth of His Holy Word to vindication in Christ in the face of all the enemies of the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord:
- For God's holy people, cleansed and redeemed by the blood of His Son, that as priests serving under the High Priest, our Savior, we may now offer living sacrifices in prayer and good works, let us pray to the Lord:
- P For all fathers in the home and church, that our heavenly Father would give them wisdom and fortitude; that He would make them faithful in teaching His Word to the children entrusted to their care; and that all little ones would come to know their heavenly Father and live as true children of God, let us pray to the Lord:
- P For Matthew, our Synod president; Mike, our district president; Johnathan, our circuit visitor; and all pastors in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- Por those in need, especially Abai, April, Bob, Charles, Cynthia, Dalton, David, Debra, Faith, Gloria, Irmgard, James, Jamesetta, Jod, Johnathan, Karen, Katheryn, Lucy, Lynette, Margie, Marie, Marion and her family, Martin, Rex, Rodgers, Stephen, Susan, and Susie, that God would receive our prayers not because of our worth, but in His mercy through the intercession of Jesus Christ, our great High Priest; and that He would answer our petitions on account of the merits and mediation of His Son, our Savior, let us pray to the Lord:

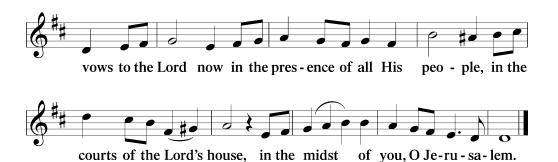
- For those who commune, that God would prepare our hearts and give us faith in the Word of His Son, our great High Priest Mediator of the New Testament in His blood; and that we would thus be worthy to eat His body and drink His blood, going in full confidence to the altar of God, to our exceeding joy, let us pray to the Lord:
- Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word, that we may not be deceived by that liar and murderer the devil, but know Your truth and so come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

Sit

Offering Collected after service in the back of the church.

Stand



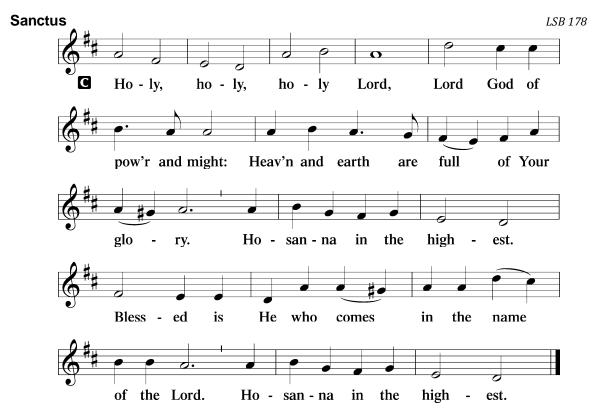


Service of the Sacrament



It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 I from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

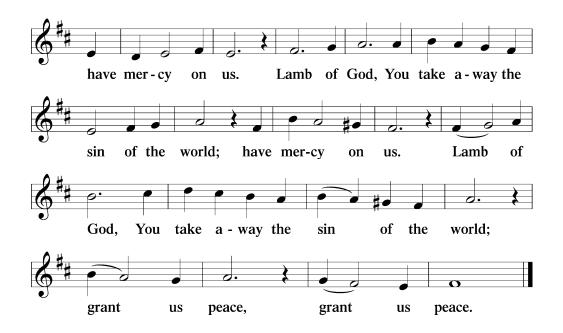
men.

Α

Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.





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Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

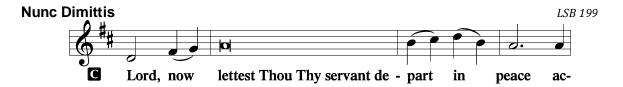
Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

Stand





Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



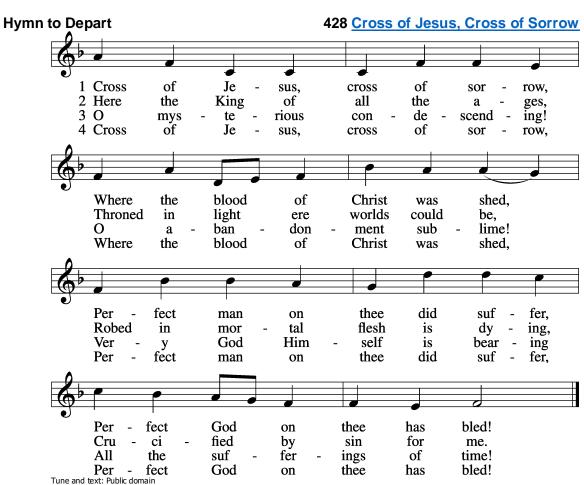
Benediction LSB 183



The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.





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+ THIS WEEK'S NOTES +

Announcements

- + Last Sunday's Attendance: 27 Midweek Attendance: 24
- + We will be ordering Easter Lilies this year. If you would like to purchase one, contact Moira in the church office!
- +Join us for midweek Lenten Vespers services on Wednesdays at 7pm.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Lent VI (The Lord's Supper) - March 24th at 7pm Maundy Thursday - April 1st at 7pm Good Friday - April 2nd at 7pm Easter Sunday - April 4th at 10am

The Fifth Sunday in Lent is traditionally referred to "JUDICA SUNDAY".

Judica is the Latin word for "Judge!" taken from today's Introit (Psalm 43).

The fifth Sunday of Lent is also known as *Passion Sunday*, marking the beginning of a two week period called, *Passiontide*.



Synod Sentences for the Fifth Sunday in Lent Jesus Is Our Redemption

In the temple Jesus said, "If anyone keeps my word, he will never see death" (John 8:51). For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death's sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His own blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people (Heb. 9:11–15). He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet is his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head (Gen. 22:1–14). Though Jesus is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the cross.

Lutherans for Life Thoughts for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

God's gifts do not always make immediate human sense (John 8:48, 53, 57). What remains certain regardless is that God is good and God gives. The Father who eternally gives Himself to the Son (John 8:42) and the Son who offers Himself to the Father in appreciative obedience (John 8:55) are the Holy Trinity who imparts this life-giving Spirit even where only death appears possible (Genesis 22:10). Trusting His Word and work releases from death's threatening grip (John 8:51, Genesis 22:13).

Prayer: Father, Son, and Spirit, guide us to trust Your Gospel that we may share in Your abundant life. Amen.

Stewardship Thought for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

Genesis 22:2 – "He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." It's hard for us to even fathom a faith as strong as Abraham's: he follows the Lord's Word even when it seems impossibly hard. But he does so because he knows that the Lord only means to bless. What happened here to Abraham should be an encouragement for us: trust the Lord and keep His Word.

An Excerpt from Martin Luther's Sermons

"What does Christ do here? His life He abandons to shame and dishonour, is silent and suffers them to call Him a Samaritan; while He takes pains to defend His doctrine. For the doctrine is not ours, but God's, and God dare not suffer in the least, here patience is at an end; but I should stake all that I have and suffer, all that they do, in order that the honour of God and of His Word may not be injured. For if I perish, no great harm is done; but if I let God's Word perish, and I remain silent, then I do harm to God and to the whole world. Although I cannot now close their mouth nor prevent their wickedness, I shall nevertheless not keep silent, nor act as if they are right, as I do about My good life, so that they retain their right. Although they do me injustice at the time, yet it remains right before God." From Martin Luther's Sermon in the Church Postil for Judica

A Prayer For The Week

We beseech You, almighty God, mercifully to look upon Your people, that by Your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore in both body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

A Snippet from 1517

A sermon from Pastor Killian: "I Am" that aired on You Are Forgiven Radio

<u>Linked Here</u>



Around the Word Devotion for the Week

May be found here



We Pray For...

Abai: friend of Bruce&Karina- guidance and

comfort (K)

April: Karina's cousin - COPD

Bob: friend of Beth and Gary --- diagnosed

with Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer

Charles: Bruce' brother - heart issues

Charlotte: Jamesetta's mother, wife of Pr. Kollie – financial, strength, recovering from

surgery(L)

The Dan Conrad Family - our LCMS

missionaries in Mexico

Cynthia – our TGSLC shut-in Dalton – chronic sciatica

David - DD shut-in

Debra: Jod's cousin - recovering from cancer **Faith**: friend of Mary - Stage 4 cancer

The Paul Federwitz Family: LWML Support

- LBT Support in Ghana

Gloria: *mother of Gayle* – compression fracture in her back; suffers from severe anemia

Irmgard: *friend of Bruce&Karina* – 90 y.o. with heart, lung, and vision issues

Rev. James Kollie: Our Missionary in Liberia; wisdom and strength (L)

Jamesetta Kollie - kidney failure

Jod – peace of mind, attacks from the Enemy, recovery from auto/bike accident, health

Johnathan – strengthening of faith; continued remission

Karen: Jod's sister – personal and family

Katheryn: Karina's mother - various health issues

Lucy: friend of Bruce&Karina – peace of mind, strength, life as a refugee (K)

Lynette – strengthening of faith; chronic health issues

Margie: *mother of Olaf* – recovering from hip replacement surgery



Marie – recovering from surgery

Marion and her family – various health issues around the country; death of sister and niece

Martin: *friend of Karina* – financial, various health (K)

Phillip Magness: our LCMS missionary to Francophone Africa

Rev. Rex Umbenhaur: complications with malignant intestinal mass

Rodgers: friend of Bruce&Karina – employment; health (K)

Stephen: Son-in-law of Pastor&Jill – diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma

Susan: *friend of Bruce&Karina* – financial, good health (K)

Susie - recovery from auto accident

The Rev. Tuomo Simojoki Family: our LHF missionary in Kenya – forced to leave their Kenyan home due to SARS-CoV-19 and return to Finland

Rev. Walter Steele – our LCMS missionary to Matongo Seminary, Kenya (K)

(K) – person living in Kenya(L) – person living in Liberia

Reflections and Notes