# **Our Savior Lutheran Church**

Lent 3 Midweek

# "From Slave to Son - Redeemer"

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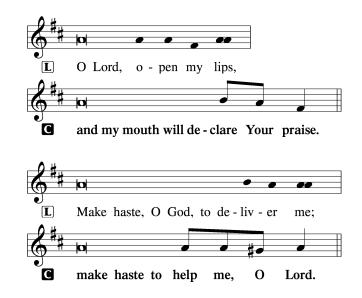
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562 All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall One All man - kind fell in Ad am's fall; com - mon 1 \_ 2 Through all our pow'rs cor - rup tion creeps And us in 3 From hearts de-praved, to vil prone, Flow thoughts and e 4 But Christ, the sec - ond came То bear Ad am, our all. sin in fects us From one to all the guilt dread - ful bond \_ age keeps; In we draw our God's deeds of sin а lone; im age lost, the -То sin and woe and shame, be our life, our 0 6 de scends, all God's wrath And o - ver pends. curse im breath in fant And reap its fruits of woe and death. dark - ened soul Seeks not nor finds its heav'n - ly goal. light, our way, Our on - ly hope, our on ly stay.

- 5 As by one man all mankind fell And, born in sin, was doomed to hell, So by one Man, who took our place, We all were justified by grace.
- 6 We thank You, Christ; new life is ours, New light, new hope, new strength, new pow'rs. This grace our ev'ry way attend Until we reach our journey's end.

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# Psalmody

#### Psalm

<sup>1</sup>Out | of the depths\* I cry to you, | O LORD!
<sup>2</sup>O Lord, | hear my voice!\* Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!
<sup>3</sup>If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,\* O Lord, | who could stand?
<sup>4</sup>But with you there is for- | giveness,\* that you | may be feared.

### <sup>5</sup>I wait for the LORD, my | soul waits,\* and in his | word I hope; <sup>6</sup>my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the | morning,\*

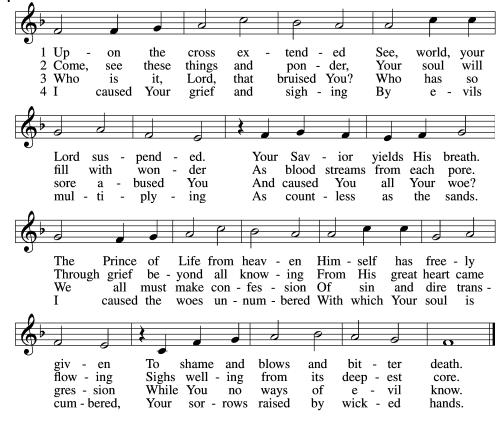
### more than watchmen for the | morning,

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is | steadfast love,\* and with him is plentiful re- | demption.

#### <sup>8</sup>And he will redeem | Israel\* from all his in- | iquities.

Psalm 130

453 Upon the Cross Extended



5 Your soul in griefs unbounded, Your head with thorns surrounded, You died to ransom me. The cross for me enduring, The crown for me securing,

You healed my wounds and set me free.

- 6 Your cords of love, my Savior, Bind me to You forever, I am no longer mine.
  To You I gladly tender
  All that my life can render
  And all I have to You resign.
- 7 Your cross I place before me; Its saving pow'r restore me, Sustain me in the test. It will, when life is ending, Be guiding and attending My way to Your eternal rest.

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## Readings

#### Reading

**L** A reading from Exodus, chapter 6.

<sup>1</sup>But the LORD said to Moses, "Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh; for with a strong hand he will send them out, and with a strong hand he will drive them out of his land."

<sup>2</sup>God spoke to Moses and said to him, "I am the LORD. <sup>3</sup>I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself known to them. <sup>4</sup>I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners. <sup>5</sup>Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. <sup>6</sup>Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. <sup>7</sup>I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. <sup>8</sup>I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD."

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Reading

**L** A reading from Galatians, chapter 4.

<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Reading

**L** A reading from John, chapter 8.

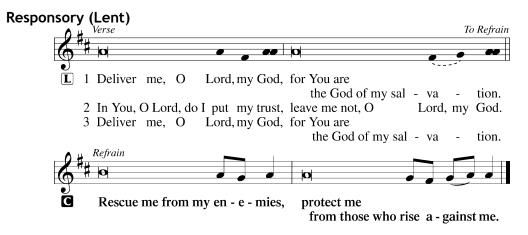
<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. <sup>37</sup>I know that you are offspring of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me because my word finds no place in you. <sup>38</sup>I speak of what I have seen with my Father, and you do what you have heard from your father."

John 8:31–38

Galatians 4:1–7

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- **C** Thanks be to God.



#### Sermon

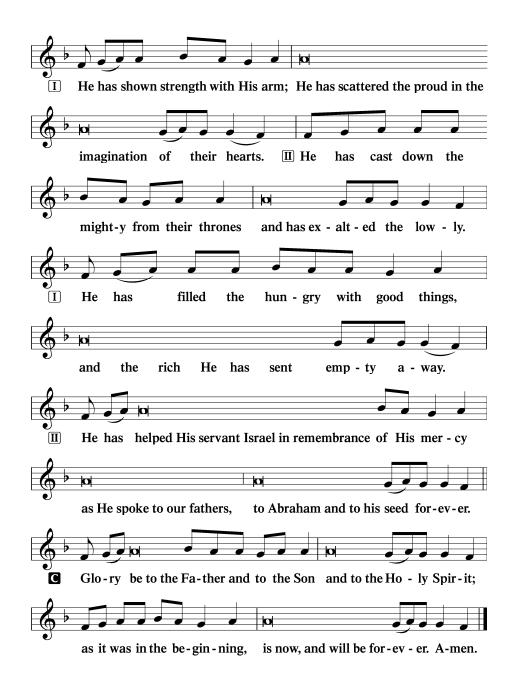
## Canticle

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Sit

Offering

### Prayer

Kneel/Stand



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#### Lord's Prayer

C 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.

#### Collects

**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**C** And let my cry come to You.

#### Collect of the Day

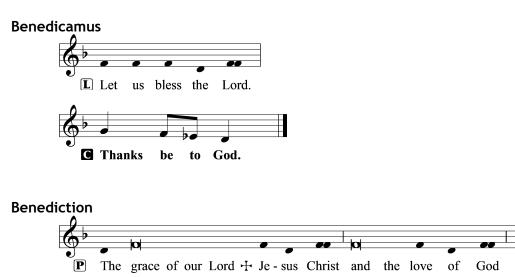
P O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### **Collect for Peace**

C God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Stand



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