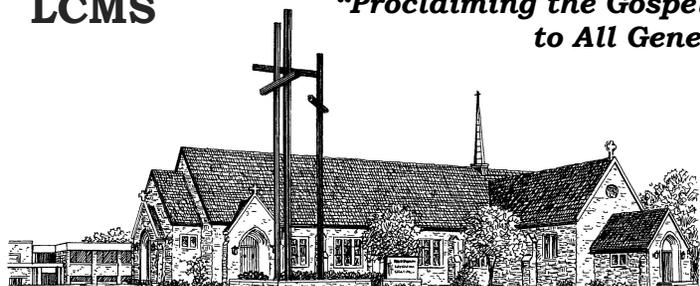


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## MIDWEEK ADVENT VESPERS #5 “FOR US: HEALING FROM DEMONS”

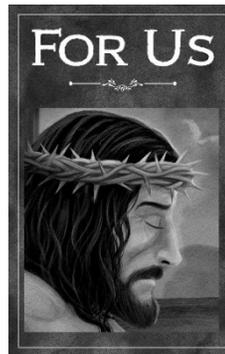
Wednesday, March 18, 2026

**PARENTS OF INFANTS AND TODDLERS:** Here at Redeemer, we strive to help parents as they accompany their children’s walk with Christ. We encourage families of all ages to worship with us. We understand that there are times when children’s attention spans falter. To assist parents, we have activity bags located in each narthex. We have a nursery with an audio-video feed located in the southeast corner of the lower level of the church. A diaper changing station is in the nursery as well as in the main narthex bathroom and the women’s bathroom on the lower level. If you have any questions, please ask an usher to assist you.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & HYMNALS:** Large print bulletins with hymns included are available at all services. Also, large print *LSB* hymnals are available. Ask an usher if you would like a bulletin or to use one of the hymnals.

**LISTENING DEVICES** are available for those who need assistance in hearing the service. Please speak to the Elder on duty (main narthex) if you need one.

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## “FOR US: HEALING FROM DEMONS”

We talked about angels during Midweek of Lent 1. Tonight, we will talk about the darker side of the story—that is, demons. Demons are fallen angels who rebelled against God and His giving of Himself to us. Demons, with Satan chief among them, seek to undermine everything God is and does, even today. In our sermon tonight, we will hear how Jesus heals a man with a demon (Mark 5:1–13) and how that work of healing continues today.

### THE PRELUDE

### THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

### THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ORDER OF VESPERS

*(LSB, pp. 229 – 234)*

**THE HYMN:** 418 – “O Lord, throughout These Forty Days”  
*(Please stand for the last stanza)*

### THE OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 51:15, 70:1*

- P** O Lord, open my lips,
- C** and my mouth will declare Your praise.
  
- P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- C** make haste to help me, O Lord.
  
- C** 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.
  
- C** Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

**THE PSALM:** Psalm 71:1 – 8

**P** In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame!

**C** In Your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline Your ear to me, and save me!

**P** Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;

**C** You have given the command to save me, for You are my rock and my fortress.

**P** Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.

**C** For You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

**P** Upon You I have leaned from before my birth;

**C** You are He who took me from my mother's womb.

**P** My praise is continually of You.

**C** I have been as a portent to many, but You are my strong refuge.

**P** My mouth is filled with Your praise,

**C** and with Your glory all the day.

**C** 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.

*(Please be seated)*

**THE FIRST READING:** Romans 8:9-11

**P** A reading from Romans, the eighth chapter.

<sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. (ESV)

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**THE SECOND READING:** Mark 5:1-13

**P:** A reading from Mark, the fifth chapter.

<sup>1</sup>They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup>And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. <sup>3</sup>He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, <sup>4</sup>for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. <sup>5</sup>Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and bruising himself with stones. <sup>6</sup>And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before Him. <sup>7</sup>And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have You to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure You by God, do not torment me." <sup>8</sup>For He was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" <sup>9</sup>And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." <sup>10</sup>And he begged Him earnestly not to send them out of the country. <sup>11</sup>Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, <sup>12</sup>and they begged Him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." <sup>13</sup>So He gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out, and entered the pigs, and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and were drowned in the sea. (ESV)

**P:** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**THE RESPONSORY FOR LENT** (*LSB, p. 231*)

**P** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C** Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

**P** In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

**C** Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

**P** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C** Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

**6:30PM – CHOIR ANTHEM:** "Come Behold the Lamb of God"

The Redeemer Choir

**THE HYMN:** 544 – “O Love, How Deep” vv. 1-4

**THE SERMON**

**THE OFFERING**

*(Please stand)*

**THE ANTIPHON**

**P** Let my prayer rise before You as incense,

**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

**THE HYMN:** 933 – “My Soul Rejoices”

**THE KYRIE** *(Sung)*

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

**THE 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.

**THE COLLECTS**

**P** Lord Jesus, You came into this created world to conquer sin and death. By Your victory over the tempter as one of us, strengthen our faith whenever it is under duress. Hear us, Jesus Christ, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** O 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.

**C** Amen.

**THE BENEDICAMUS**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**THE BENEDICTION**

**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** Amen.

**THE HYMN:** 878 – “Abide with Me” vv. 1, 6

**THE SILENT PRAYER**

**THE THREE CHIMES**

*(Please be seated)*

**THE POSTLUDE**

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**SERVING US TODAY**

**Liturgist:** Pastor Samuel Bobby

**Preacher:** Pastor Gerry Werling

**Organist:** Joe Herl

**6:30PM-Choir Director:** Michael Werner

**6:30PM-Choir:** The Redeemer Choir

**Acolytes:** 4:30PM – Axel Anderson

6:30PM – Brecken Mumaugh

**Elder on Duty:** 4:30PM – Doug Garrison

6:30PM – Craig Wohlgemuth

**Greeters:** **Main** **West**

4:30PM Kevin & Julie Bachman Valerie Coleman

6:30PM Karen Lee Mike Hansen & Elizabeth Hansen

**Head Usher:** 4:30PM – Craig Wohlgemuth

6:30PM – Patty Hill



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