MARCH 12, 2025 - LENT 1 MIDWEEK SERVICE

Prelude - "In The Hour Of Trial" tune Penitence, setting by James Denton.

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435 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain



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

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Opening Versicles

- **P** Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing;
- **C** heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled,
- **P** O Lord my God, I cried to You for help,
- **C** and you have healed me.
- **P** He sent out His word and healed them,
- **C** and delivered them from their destruction.
- Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God;
- **C** for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.
- **P** He heals the brokenhearted
- **C** and binds up their wounds.

G Glory be to the Father and to the Son and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.
- **C** Almighty and everlasting God, You created us for life and flourishing, not for death and disease. Turn our hearts from all that is contrary to You, and bring us back to Your healing ways. Let us seek You and the eternal healing that You alone provide. Let us desire friendship with You so that we are healed by love. We pray through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Old Testament Reading

Malachi 4:1–3

¹ "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

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

Epistle

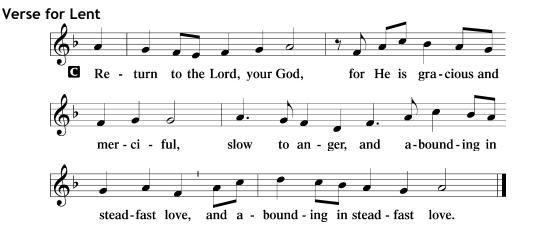
1 Peter 2:22-25

²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Matthew 8:14–17

Holy Gospel

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

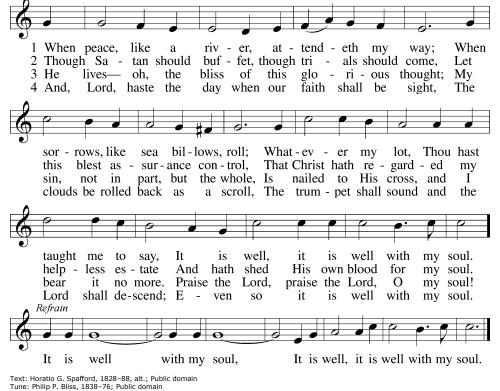
¹⁴And when Jesus entered Peter's house, he saw his mother-in-law lying sick with a fever. ¹⁵He touched her hand, and the fever left her, and she rose and began to serve him. ¹⁶That evening they brought to him many who were

oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick. ¹⁷This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: "He took our illnesses and bore our diseases."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

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Sermon

Anthem - "Adagio" by J. S. Bach; Frank Vasi, soloist.

Kneel

Prayers

- ▶ Lord God, there are hurts everywhere. This world hurts and we hurt. So we pray that the healing hands of Jesus would be placed upon us and all our hurts. Jesus, in your great love, place Your healing hands on us. You know where it hurts—come and bring healing. Lord, in Your mercy;
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Heal the hurts festering in our hearts and souls so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy;

C hear our prayer.

P Heal the hurts of this world as you bring peace to war-torn places, protection to innocent lives and integrity to leaders and rulers. Lord, in Your mercy;

C hear our prayer.

- Heal the hurts of failing bodies and aching bones, work through the hands and feet of medical practitioners and draw near to all in their times of illness and physical hurt. Lord, in Your mercy;
- **C** hear our prayer.

P Heal the pain of loneliness and despair, anxiety and fear. Lord, in Your mercy;

C hear our prayer.

- P Heal any strife that threatens to break apart your church, and replace it with friendship and unity. Lord, in Your mercy;
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Heal us from all ungodly apathy or indifference so that we can be passionate for your kingdom work. Lord, in Your mercy;

C hear our prayer.

- **P** Lord Jesus, heal us by means of your body and blood.
- **C** Place your healing hands on all our hurts. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

 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.

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Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

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1 Je sus, grant that balm and heal - ing In Your ho _ ly 2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion Fas - ci - nate my 3 If the world my heart en - tic - es With the broad and 4 Ev 'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord, 0 wounds I 'ry feel - ing find, Ev hour that Ι am Pains of to Your cross and sin - ful mind, Draw me pas - sion, And new road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful vi - ces, Let me eas y made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing is Should some e - vil thought with - in Or should Sa - tan press me hard of mind. bod у and cour - age shall find. me hard, Ι were will - ing weigh the aw - ful load You to en - dure. life soul. Yes, Your com-fort ren - ders sweet new to my 4 to Show the per - il, Tempt my treach-'rous heart sin, and from my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me then be Let on me was Help flee all thoughts im - pure And to me mas - ter each tempmeet; For Your all - a - ton - ing Ev 'ry bit ter cup Ι 0 0 ning first Keep me from its be - gin sin ning. wound - ed, That the tempt - er flee con-found ed. tion, Calm in med - i - ta tion. ta prayer and sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va tion. pas

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Postlude - "Jesus, Refuge Of The Weary" tune O Du Liebe Meiner Liebe.

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