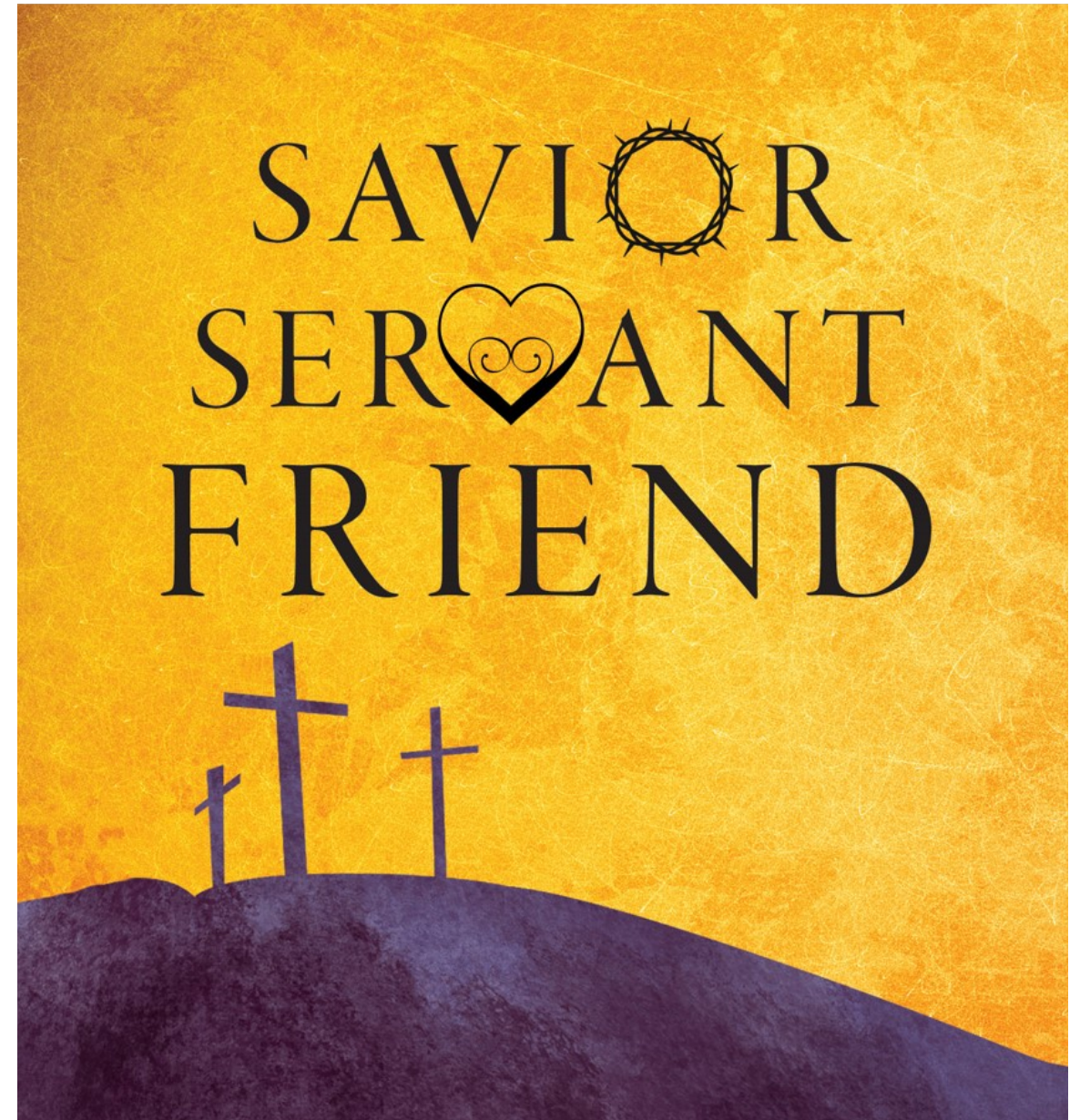


THANK YOU to our Soup servers this evening and to everyone who helped to set up for and clean up from our Soup & Salad Supper. Join us every Wednesday evening at 6 PM from now through Palm Sunday for our Soup & Salad Supper. We will have Bible study after the supper and then Wednesday night service at 7:30 PM. Please remember to sign up for the suppers using the sheets on the hallway bulletin board.



Week 2—LISTENER

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MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025
7:30 P.M.

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PRELUDE - *“Leave All To God’s Direction”* by Neumark, setting by Saxton.

HYMN 779 - *we sing, standing*

INVOCATION & VERSICLES

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! **You have given me relief when I was in distress.**

Be gracious to me **And hear my prayer.**

O Lord, You hear the desire of the afflicted; **You will strengthen their heart; You will incline your ear.**

I call upon You, for You will answer me, O God; **Incline Your ear to me; hear my words.**

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; **Be gracious to me and answer me!**

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.

GREETING, followed by PRAYER
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **Lord God, heavenly Father, incline Your ear to us. Hear us as we come before You in prayer and praise, with thanksgiving and gratitude for Your love and mercy. 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.**

(please be seated)

FIRST LESSON - Jeremiah 29:10-14
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SECOND LESSON - 1 John 5:11-15
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

page 173 - **VERSE FOR LENT** - *all standing*

GOSPEL - John 3:1-17

*Before, all say: **Glory to you, O Lord!***
*After, all say: **Praise to you, O Christ!***

HYMN 702- *we sing, seated*

SERMON

OFFERTORY – *“In The Garden”* by C. Austen Miles; Bruce Emerick, soloist.

PRAYERS & LORD’S PRAYER - *all may kneel*

Lord God, You call out to us with peace and promise, hope and healing delivered through our friend, Jesus. You call out to us and invite us to respond with faith and trust. By Your invitation, O God, we call out to You in prayer. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Listen to our prayers for mercy and forgiveness, and renew a right spirit within us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Listen to our prayers for peace, deliver this world from injustice, protect the vulnerable and give us good and faithful leaders. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Listen to our prayers for healing and hope for all who are ill or recovering from sickness. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Listen to our prayers for all who mourn the loss of loved ones or are discouraged by loneliness. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Listen to our prayers for wisdom in good and godly living, upright conduct and virtue. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Listen to our prayers of thanksgiving for all the gifts that You give to Your people. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers, O Lord, and be gracious to us. **Listen to our pleas and answer us for the sake of our Savior Jesus. Amen.**

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.**

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. **Amen.**

HYMN 833 - *we sing, standing*
Pastor sings the “Leader” parts and the Congregation sings the “All” parts.

POSTLUDE - *“Andante Tranquillo”* by Mendelssohn.

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