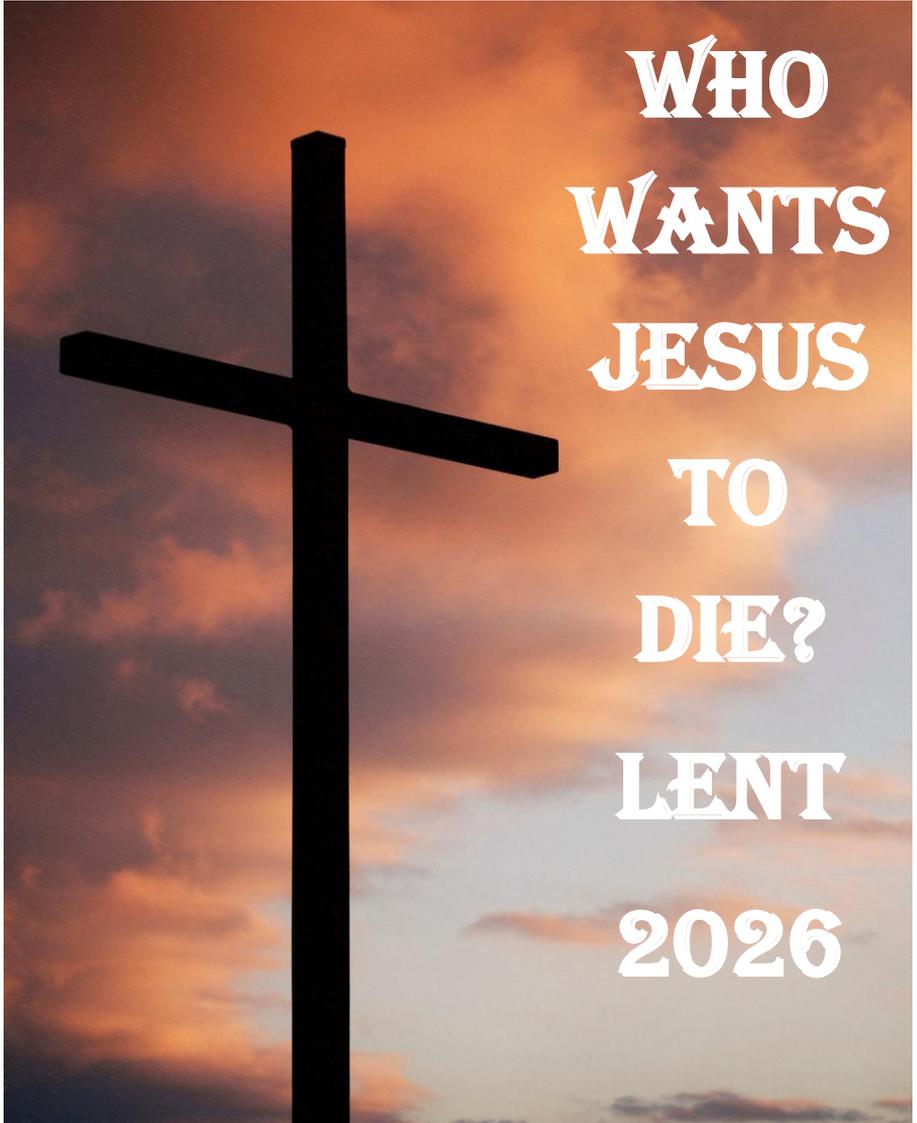


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Fifth Midweek Lenten Service



Opening:

TLH 158 Glory Be to Jesus

Invocation

P In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession of Sins

P: O Lord, open my lips.

C: **And my mouth shall declare Your praise.**

P: Hasten to save me, O God.

C: **O Lord, come quickly to help me.**

P: We sinners must confess to You, O Lord, that we have failed to listen and obey Your holy Word. We have sinned in our actions, our words, and our thoughts. We are all like an unclean *thing*, And all our righteousnesses *are* like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away.

Cf. Isaiah 64:6

C: **God, be merciful to me, a sinner.**

Luke 18:13

Song of Repentant Heart Lord Jesus Christ, My Life [insert]

Absolution of Sins

P: Jesus is the atoning Sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. According to His authority, and by His command, I announce to you that all of your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Harmony Reading of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

This week's harmony readings:

- **Jesus Bears His Cross**
- **The Crucifixion**

Hymn of response: TLH 179 On My Heart Imprint Thy Image

I BELIEVE...

That Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and innocent suffering and death.

He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy; just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity. This is most certainly true.

Hymn: TLH 143 O Dearest Jesus, What Law vs 1-4

Sermon**John 19:10-16**

¹⁰ Then Pilate said to Him, "Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify You, and power to release You?" ¹¹ Jesus answered, "You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above. Therefore the one who delivered Me to you has the greater sin." ¹² From then on Pilate sought to release Him, but the Jews cried out, saying, "If you let this Man go, you are not Caesar's friend. Whoever makes himself a king speaks against Caesar." ¹³ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus out and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called *The Pavement*, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. ¹⁴ Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" ¹⁵ But they cried out, "Away with *Him*, away with *Him*! Crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar!" ¹⁶ Then he delivered Him to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led *Him* away.

Who Wants Jesus to Die?

Pilate Wants Jesus to Die!

Offertory:

[Tune of TLH 179 On My Heart]

**Let me never, Lord, forsake Thee, E'en tho' bitter pain and strife
On my way shall overtake me; But may I tho' all my life Walk in
fervent love to Thee, In all woes for comfort flee To Thy birth,
Thy death, and Passion Till I see Thy full salvation.**

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & 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 from evil,
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
Forever and ever. Amen**

Benediction

- ☐ Amen.**

Hymn: TLH 558b All Praise to Thee My God This Night

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