

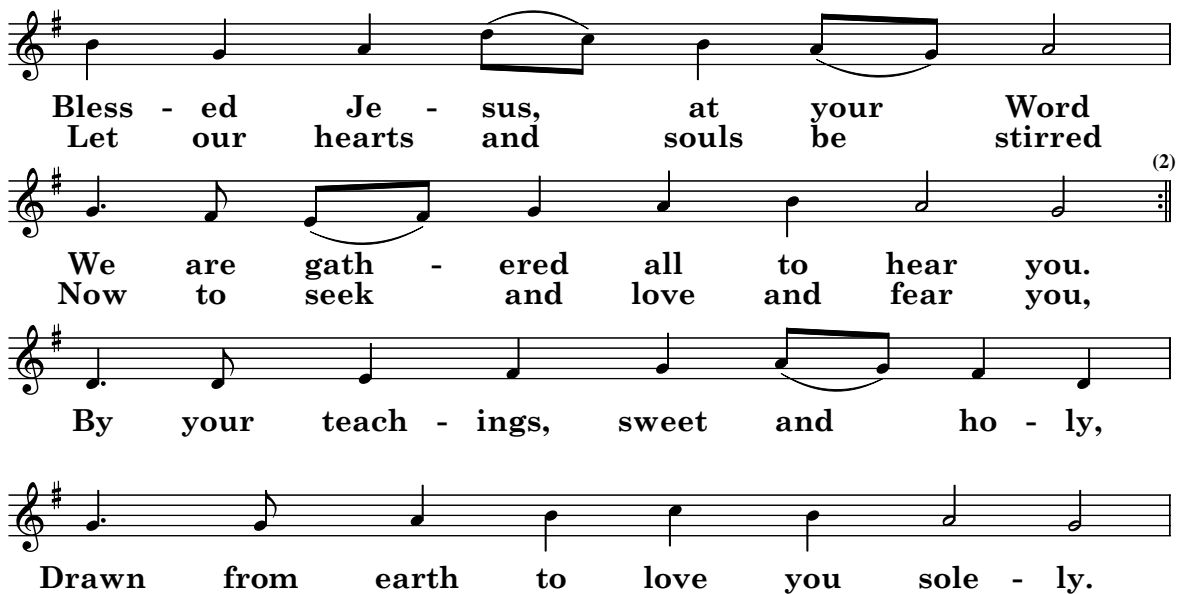
# CHRIST OUR REDEEMER

Lent 4 – March 11, 2018 - Pastor Mark Voss

## *Gathering Rite on the Word of God*

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are: Bless - ed Je - sus, at your Word  
Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
We are gath - ered all to hear you.  
Now to seek and love and fear you,  
By your teach - ings, sweet and ho - ly,  
Drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.

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P: Oh, how I love your law!

C: **I meditate on it all day long.**

P: Your commands make me wiser than my enemies,

C: **for they are ever with me.**

P: I have more insight than all my teachers,

C: **for I meditate on your statutes.**

P: How sweet are your words to my taste,

C: **sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

**SING:** All our knowledge, sense, and sight  
Lie in deepest darkness shrouded  
Till your Spirit breaks our night With the beams of truth unclouded.  
You alone to God can win us; You must work all good within us.

P: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

**C: so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

*2 Timothy 3:16, 17*

P: Yet so often we have despised God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask his forgiveness.

**ALL: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior, Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**SING:** Gracious Savior, good and kind,  
Light from Light, from God proceeding,  
Open now our heart and mind; Help us by your Spirit's pleading.  
Hear the cry your people raises;  
Hear and bless our prayers and praises.

P: God gave his Word so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." *John 20:31*

The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**SING: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Praise to you and adoration!  
Grant that we your Word may trust, Confident of our salvation,  
While we here below must wander, Till we sing your praises yonder.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **God's Word**

*Our only real need is satisfied in Christ*

### **Numbers 21:4-9 – *Look and live – a preview***

<sup>4</sup>They traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; <sup>5</sup>they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the desert? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!"

<sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. <sup>7</sup>The people came to Moses and said, "We sinned when we spoke against the LORD and against you. Pray that the LORD will take the snakes away from us." So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, he lived.

## **MUSICAL SELECTION**

**COR Grade School Tone Chime Choir**

***"Amazing Grace"***

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### **Ephesians 2:4-10 – *Dead in sin but alive in grace***

<sup>4</sup>But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup>made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions--it is by grace you have been saved. <sup>6</sup>And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God--<sup>9</sup>not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

### **John 3:14-21 – *Look and live – the real thing***

<sup>14</sup>Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

<sup>19</sup>This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God."

P: The gospel of our Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

**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 creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death.**

**All this he did that I should be his own and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.**

**SERMON HYMN - "*Not in Anger, Mighty God*"**

**CW 423**

**SERMON SERIES – Great Stories of Salvation  
from the Old Testament**

***Look and Live –  
A Preview of Things to Come***  
**Based on Number 21:4-9**

## OFFERING AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

HYMN – *“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”*

CW 345

### CHILDREN'S LESSON

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR LENT

P: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

**C: We confess that without your love we are lost.**

P: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

**C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.**

P: Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians

**C: By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.**

P: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

**C: Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.**

P: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

**C: Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

P: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

**BLESSING**

**CLOSING HYMN - "To God Be the Glory"**

CW 399



To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done! He so loved the  
 Oh, per - fect re - demp-tion, the pur - chase of blood, To ev - 'ry be-  
 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, And great our re-



world that he gave us his Son, Who yield - ed his life an a - tone-ment for  
 - liev - er the prom-ise of God; The vil - est of - fend-er who tru - ly be-  
 - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son, But pur - er and high-er and great - er will



sin And o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
 - lieves, That mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.  
 be Our joy and our won - der when Je - sus we see.



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice! Praise the



Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo-ple re - joice! Oh, come to the Fa-ther through



Je-sus the Son And give him the glo-ry great things he has done!

Text: Fanny Crosby  
 Tune: William H. Doane  
**TO GOD BE THE GLORY**  
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## CALENDAR – March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Today	<i>Daylight Savings Time</i> 8 & 10:30a Worship 9:15a Sunday School & Bible Study 9:15a Finance Board Meeting 12p Catechism
Monday	9a Pastor's Study Club 7p Sunday School Staff
Tuesday	7p Church Leaders
Wednesday	6p Dinner (Chili & Chicken Noodle Soup) 7p Devotion 7:30p Choir
Thursday	8a Breakfast Bible Study
Sunday	8 & 10:30a Worship with Communion 9:15a Sunday School & Bible Class 12p Catechism Class 1p COR Women's Group 1:30p Teen Group

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Easter for Kids is March 24<sup>th</sup>, please see the poster in the narthex for additional information and to volunteer or sign-up your children. There are invites on the table.**

**Easter Flowers – there is a sheet on the table in the narthex, flowers need to be here by 10a, Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, they may be taken home after the 10:30a service.**

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Worship at 9a) and Thursdays  
at 7p

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website [corchurch.com](http://corchurch.com) and click on Video Broadcast.
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