Have Mercy On Us (Frisagion)

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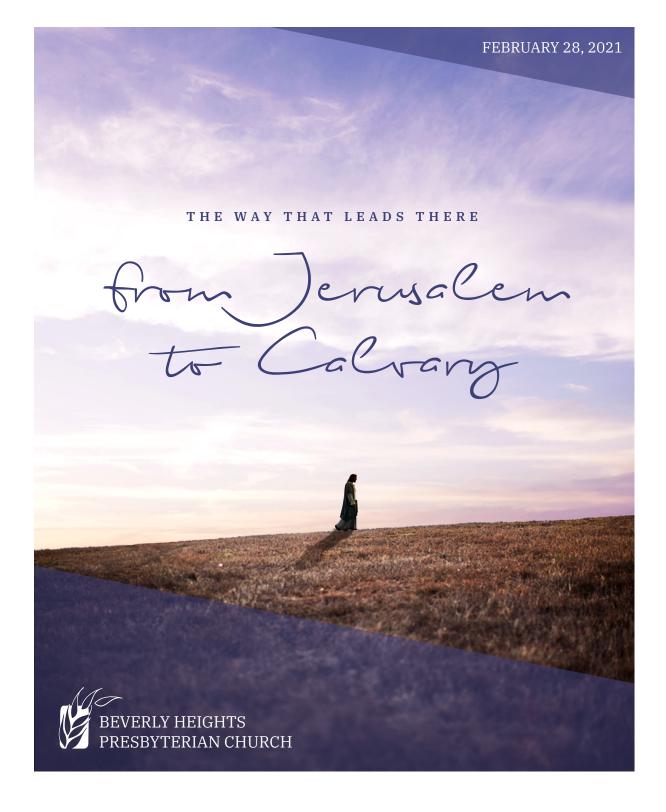












This Week

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:30 AM Early Morning Worship 10:00 AM Christian Education 11:00 AM Late Morning Worship

MONDAY, MARCH 1

Church Offices Closed

TUESDAY, MARCH 2

7:00 PM ACE Team Meeting 7:00 PM Mission Team Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

9:15 AM Staff Meeting

4:00 PM WNH Programming

5:45 PM WNH Dinner

7:00 PM Exodus Bible Study

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal 8:30 PM Worship Rehearsal

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

SUNDAY, MARCH 7

8:30 AM Early Morning Worship 10:00 AM Christian Education 11:00 AM Late Morning Worship 6:30 PM Fusion for Middle School

and High School

Students

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Coming Up

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

7:00 PM Annual Meeting of the Congregation

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

10:30 AM Resurrection Egg Hunt

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

Palm Sunday

8:30 AM Early Morning Worship 10:00 AM Christian Education 11:00 AM Late Morning Worship

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Dinner 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

Easter Sunday

8:30 AM Early Morning Worship

10:00 AM Easter Brunch

11:00 AM Late Morning Worship

Early Morning Worship

WE WORSHIP THE HOLY ONE

Behold Our God

Welcome Elissa Winkler

Greeting and Announcements Amy Lucas

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

WE DRAW CLOSER TO OUR SAVIOR AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS

Lenten Liturgy See inside bulletin.

We Offer Ourselves to God

Lord Have Mercy

Children dismissed as per back of bulletin.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Luke 20:27-40

Sermon Pastor Devlin

The Way That Leads There ~ Jerusalem to Calvary

From Ignorance to Education

WE GLORIFY GOD AND ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM

The Lord is My Salvation

Benediction

Late Morning Worship

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP TO PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

Prelude Herzliebster Jesu J. Brahms
Alexander Buiel. organ

The first note of the prelude marks the beginning of worship. Please use this brief period of time for prayer and preparation while keeping conversation at a low volume and to a minimum.

We Begin with a Song of Praise

Give to Our God Immortal Praise

Give to our God immortal praise; Mercy and truth are all His ways: Wonders of grace to God belong; Repeat His mercies in your song.

He sent His Son with pow'r to save From guilt and darkness and the grave: Wonders of grace to God belong; Repeat His mercies in your song.

Through this vain world He guides our feet,
And leads us to His heav'nly seat:
His mercies ever shall endure,
When this vain world shall be no more.

Prayer of Adoration Rev. Dr. Nathanael Devlin, Senior Pastor

Greeting and Announcements Amy Lucas, Administrative Assistant

Vocal Introit Psalm 125

Unison Prayer of Invocation

Lord Jesus Christ, we come to You this morning, looking to You as the founder and perfecter of our faith, knowing that for the joy that was set before You, You endured the cross, despising the shame. As we gather for worship this hour, may Your life, Your death and Your resurrection be the focus of our attention. Pour out Your Spirit on us, we ask, and help us to honor You in our worship and in our life together as Your church. Amen.

Hymn of Worship No. 56

vv. 1-3

When All Your Mercies, O My God

Unison Call to Confession

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. We know that this race leads us to the foot of the cross and to a life that is cruciform. Help us now, we ask, as we search our hearts, confess our sins and mourn for our unrighteousness.

WE DRAW CLOSER TO OUR SAVIOR AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS

Silent Private Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response No. 56

vv. 4-6

When All Your Mercies, O My God

Lenten Liturgy See next page.

We Offer Ourselves to God

Mercy

Courtney

Staff Choir; Alexander Buiel, piano

I dare not lift my guilty eyes. I hide my lips in trembling shame.

And in the darkness of my soul, I shrink from Your rekindling flame.

Kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, have mercy.

In mercy cover me with grace and blot out my iniquity.

Renew my heart and wash me clean; grant with Your pardon, purity.

Kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, have mercy.

In equal measure of Your love, You promise mercy, tender compassion to the one who seeks Your face.

A broken heart, a fainting soul, a contrite spirit, together cry for Your forgiveness and Your grace.

Against You only have I sinned. My deeds are evil in Your sight. Of Your forgiveness let me sing, and in my singing take delight. Kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, have mercy, have mercy, have mercy.

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Closing Unison Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the God of the living and not the dead. Yours is a kingdom that endures and cultivates life, both now and forevermore. Bless us, as we prepare to go out into the world to share the good news of the gospel, that You are the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in You, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in You shall never die. Yes, Lord; we believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who has come into the world to bring life. Amen!

Closing Hymn No. 516

vv. 1, 3, 4

Jesus, I Live to Thee

Benediction

Postlude Fugue in G Minor BuxWV 149

D. Buxtehude

Lenten Liturgy

Scripture Lesson: Genesis 3:1-12 Rev. Dr. Richard G. Wolling, Pastor Emeritus

Lenten Litany

Leader: In this season of Lent, we find ourselves standing on holy ground.

People: We hide our face, for we are afraid to look at God.

Leader: The ground is hallowed because of the cross, which pierces the ground and pierced the Son.

People: We hide our face, for we are afraid to look at God.

Leader: We look upon the cross and see the Prince of glory who died.

People: We hide our face, for we are afraid to look at God.

Leader: But in this affliction there is a great salvation by the very hand of God.

People: We open our eyes and look to You for mercy and grace.

We Direct Our Attention to the Cross

The people of Israel were in great distress. They labored long and hard under the cruel slavery of the Pharaoh. For fear of the growing numbers of Jews who had migrated to Egypt because of the worldwide famine during the time of Joseph, a population control program was instituted by the king. It was a plan designed to either kill off part of the population through harsh manual labor or to discourage husbands and wives from having children through sheer exhaustion and separation.

Moses described Pharaoh's plan in Exodus 1 with five phrases that underscore the horrible plight of God's people. Words like ruthless, hard labor and rigor describe the affliction under which the people lived. But the hard conditions placed on the Israelites were more than matched by God's greater determination to deliver His people. To Moses He said, "I promise that I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to a land flowing with milk and honey."

What the Lord said was, "I have SEEN the affliction, I have HEARD their cry, I KNOW their sufferings, I have COME DOWN to deliver them." These are the words of a great Deliverer, in fact, the only One who could rescue the people. And that is just what He did.

The narrative of God's dealing with the people of Israel records history - it actually happened. But the account has additional, even greater value to us than the reporting of something that happened long ago. The story of God's deliverance of Israel from their affliction by Egypt is an adumbration, a foreshadowing of what is to come when the Lord accomplishes an even greater salvation.

The story of God's deliverance is our story for we are a people, not unlike the Israelites, who suffer under bondage and affliction; we labor under the burden of guilt and sin. Sin is a horrible taskmaster. It robs us of the true life we were created to enjoy because it separates us from God Who is the only Source of life for us.

But as with Israel, so with us; our Lord has seen our affliction, He has heard our cry, He knows of our sufferings and He has come down to deliver us. And the Deliverer He has sent is Jesus Christ. Our God has reached down to us in His Son Who destroyed the power of sin and death by taking on Himself our sin and guilt and suffering God's just punishment on our behalf.

With guilt punished through Jesus' crucifixion and death defeated through Jesus' resurrection we enjoy our own exodus - we are set free to possess the fullness of life we were created to have in the first place.

Restoration of fellowship with our Creator, release from our fear of death and the grave, God dwelling in us by the Holy Spirit, and a sure and certain hope of a future in God's eternal kingdom - that's the land flowing with milk and honey that is promised to all who come to the cross of Jesus, cast the burden of their guilt and sin upon Him, and trust in Him, alone, for the fullness of life in this world and the next.

So, the question before each of us is: Will I come to His cross this Lenten season? Will I, like Israel, cry out in faith "Lord save me?"

Silent Private Prayer

Lenten Response Have Mercy On Us See back of bulletin.

Lenten Hymn **No. 252** vv. 1, 3, 4 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

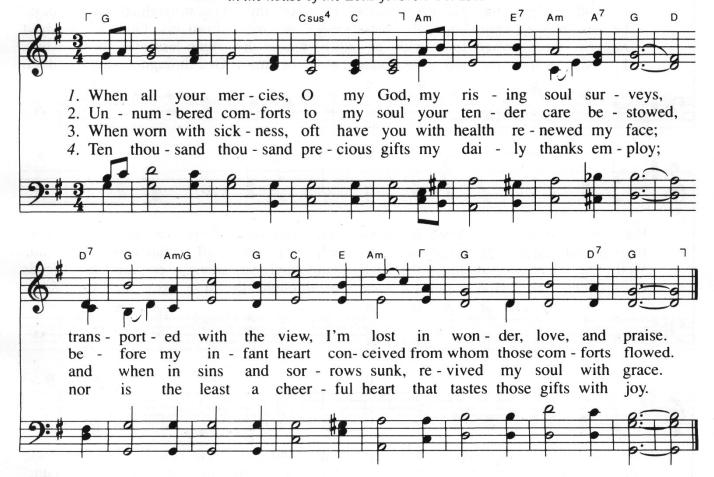
When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down: Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

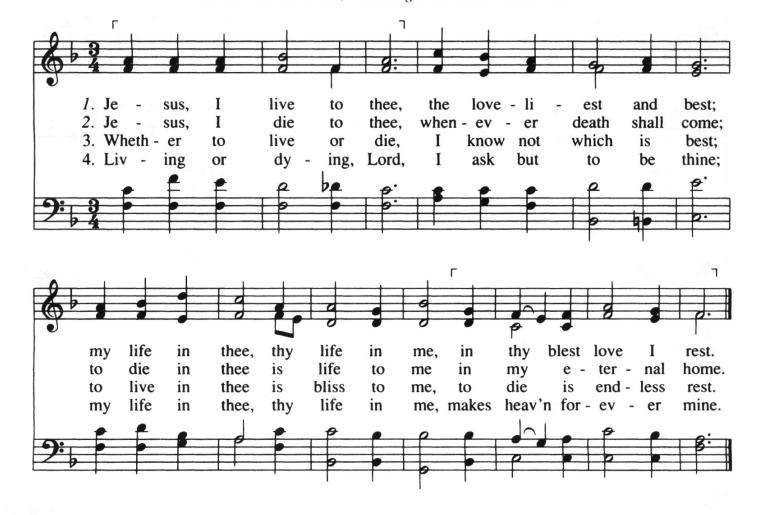
When All Your Mercies, O My God

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. Ps. 23:6



- 5. Through ev'ry period of my life your goodness I'll pursue; and after death, in distant worlds, the glorious theme renew.
- 6. Through all eternity to you a joyful song I'll raise; for oh, eternity's too short to utter all your praise.

Whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. Rom. 14:8



Henry Harbaugh, 1850

TRENTHAM S.M. Robert Jackson, 1888