

THE IRONIES OF THE PASSION

February 24, 2016

Hymn: CW 129 (vs. 1-3)

Please stand.

M: O Lord, open my lips.

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

M: Hasten to save me, O God.

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

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Psalm 6

M: O LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger

C: **Or discipline me in your wrath.**

M: Be merciful to me, LORD, for I am faint;

C: **O LORD, heal me, for my soul is in anguish.**

M: Turn, O LORD, and deliver me;

C: **save me because of your unfailing love.**

M: I am worn out from groaning.

C: **My eyes grow weak with sorrow.**

M: Away from me, all you who do evil,

C: **for the LORD has heard my weeping.**

M: The LORD has heard my cry for mercy;

C: **the LORD accepts my prayer.**

M: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

C: **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Psalm Prayer

M: Lord God, you are merciful and tenderhearted, abounding in love and faithfulness. Turn to us in our anguish over sin and hear our cry for mercy that we may be at peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

C: **Amen.**

Lesson

Luke 22:39-54

Seasonal Response

M: All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

Hymn: CW 385 (vs. 1-3)

Sermon Text

Luke 23:39-43

Offering

Please stand.

Lord's Prayer

M: O Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

C: **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.**

Prayer for Peace

M: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

HYMN: CW 589 (vs. 1,2,5)

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