



**Worldly Eyes**  
Lenten Midweek 5  
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***Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship,  
serve, and share Jesus.***

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## Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome both members and guests to His church. We are present this day to worship Him and we gather in silent prayer. In this service we thank and honor our Lord for His many blessings and seek His guidance and comfort for each day of life.

- ✝ Be **reverent** and **thoughtful** in this Holy place.
- ✝ **Before** the service, speak with God.
- ✝ **During** the service, let God speak to you.
- ✝ **After** the service, speak to one another

## This Week's Overview

### WORLDLY EYES

This Lent, we will use the metaphor of eyesight to examine how the various people in Mark's Gospel viewed Jesus during His Passion. In most cases, they misunderstood who He was and what He was doing; then again, sometimes by faith people did recognize Him correctly.

We have these forty days of Lent in which we may look within ourselves as people of faith in our day. How are we like or unlike the people who saw Jesus in the flesh? Most important, as we gather for worship, we will see what Jesus has done to save us from our sins by His holy, precious blood and innocent sufferings and death.

Today, we learn of Pilate's worldly view and how, to keep his position and placate the Jewish leaders and crowd, he handed Jesus over for crucifixion. The soldiers saw the opposite of a worldly king, but their ironic hailing of Him as "King of the Jews" proclaims who He really is. The world looks for power and glory; God's way is suffering and the cross. Which way do we look in the daily decisions we make?

## GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ❖ OPENING VERSICLES

**P** *This is the day which the Lord has made;*  
**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**P** *From the rising of the sun to its setting,*  
**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**P** *Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,*  
**C** **slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.**

**P** *Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,*  
**C** **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.**

**P** *Christ was wounded for our transgressions.*  
**C** **He was bruised for our iniquities.**

**P** *From the rising of the sun to its setting,*  
**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**ALL** **Glory be to the Father, and to the ✠ Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

❖ **PSALMODY** *Glory Be To Jesus*

LSB 433



1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, Who in bit - ter pains  
2 Grace and life e - ter - nal In that blood I find;  
3 Blest through end - less a - ges Be the pre - cious stream  
4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies;



Poured for me the life - blood From His sa - cred veins!  
Blest be His com - pas - sion, In - fi - nite - ly kind!  
Which from end - less tor - ment Did the world re - deem!  
But the blood of Je - sus For our par - don cries.

- 5 Oft as earth exulting  
Wafts its praise on high,  
Angel hosts rejoicing  
Make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices,  
Swell the mighty flood;  
Louder still and louder  
Praise the precious blood!

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❖ **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** *Lord Jesus Christ, the devil, the world, and our sinful nature constantly lead us to worldliness. Forgive our worldly sins and grant us the gift of heavenly-mindedness so that we might live in the world while not being of the world; for*

*You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C** Amen.

## READING

1 John 2:15-17

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

**R** *O Lord, have mercy on us.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## READING

John 18:33-38a

So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?” Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?” Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.” Pilate said to him, “What is truth?”

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, “I find no guilt in him.

**R** *O Lord, have mercy on us.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## READING

Mark 15:1-20

And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” And he answered him, “You have said so.” And the chief priests accused him of many things. And Pilate again asked him, “Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you.” But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. And he answered them, saying, “Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?” For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had

delivered him up. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" And they cried out again, "Crucify him." And Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

**R** *O Lord, have mercy on us.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

❖ **HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

LSB685



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -  
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience  
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He  
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to  
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He  
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to  
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,  
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,  
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion  
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and  
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts  
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that  
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful  
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,  
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,  
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.  
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.  
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.  
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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**SERMON**

Pastor John Hopkins

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- 3 – Arrange through your financial institution’s Online Banking to give through their bill-pay.
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 40 W Nicholai St.  
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**❖ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

- P** O Lord, hear my prayer
- C** And let my cry come to You.

**❖ COLLECT FOR LENT**

- P** Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from

*You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C** Amen.

### ❖ LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

**P** I give thanks to You, heavenly Father,

**C** through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously protected me today. I ask you to forgive me all my sins, where I have done wrong, and graciously to protect me tonight. Into Your hands I commend myself; my body, my soul, and all that is mine. Let Your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### ❖ 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.

### ❖ BLESSING

**P** *Let us bless the Lord.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**P** *The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.*

**C** **Amen.**



*As we go our separate ways, know that we are always united together in Jesus. Continue to lift up your brothers and sisters in Christ. Pray that we remain in good health, that we are able to serve our neighbor at every opportunity and that the Lord would draw new believers to His Church.*