

# FATHER, FORGIVE THEM!

2009  
Midweek  
Lenten Worship

## Opening Sentences



L The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et  
night and peace at the last. G A -  
- - men. L It is good to give thanks to the  
Lord, G to sing praise to your name, O Most High,  
L to her - ald your love in the morn - ing, G your  
truth at the close of day. L Je - sus, re - mem - ber  
me when you come in - to your king - dom.  
G Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in -  
to your king - dom.

## Opening Hymn

*STAND*

**M:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

**M:** Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for self-examination*

**M:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

**C: we have sinned against you  
in our thoughts,  
in our words,  
in our deeds,  
and in all that we have not done.**

**Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Deliver and restore us,  
that we may rest in peace.**

**M:** By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ,  
and in him we are forgiven.

Let us rest in his peace all our days  
and serve him in the newness of life.

**C: Amen.**

*BE SEATED*

## Special Music

### Psalm of the Day

### Psalm Prayer

**M:** ... through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## Passion History according to Mark

## Seasonal Response

**All: 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.**

**Sermon Hymn**                      *Christ, By Countless Foes Surrounded*

**Sermon**

**Hymn 715**

**Offering**

*STAND*

**Prayers**

**Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

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**Closing Hymn**

## 2008 Midweek Lenten Worship

- March 4 Forgive Our Desire to Defy Your Divine Authority!
- March 11 Forgive Us When We Despise Your Great Salvation!
- March 18 Forgive Us When We Abandon Your Truths!
- March 25 Forgive Us for Despising Our Savior's Claim!
- April 1 Forgive Our Misplaced Sorrow!

Soup and sandwich meals will be served in the basement after the 11:00 a.m. service and an hour before the 7:30 p.m. service. Please join us!

*Please return this service folder and the inserts to an usher as you leave. Thank you!*

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# Passion History according to Mark

## 2. Prayer in the Garden

Pastor: "You will all fall away," Jesus told them, "for it is written: "'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

Men: Peter declared, "Even if all fall away, I will not."

Women: "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "today--yes, tonight--before the rooster crows twice you yourself will disown me three times."

Men: But Peter insisted emphatically, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you."

Pastor: And all the others said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples,

Congregation: "Sit here while I pray."

Pastor: He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled.

Congregation: "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."

Pastor: Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him.

Women: "Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

Pastor: Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping.

Men: "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour? Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."

Pastor: Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him. Returning the third time, he said to them,

Congregation: "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

## Seasonal Response

**All:** 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.

### Christ, by Countless Foes Surrounded (The Mob in Pilate's Court)

Jeffrey Schallert, adapt.



1 Christ, by count - less foes sur - round - ed,  
2 "Is - rael, in her false con - vic - tion,  
3 Lamb of God, for all men strick - en,



From the depths of woe un - sound - ed,  
Shout - ed for my cru - ci - fix - ion.  
Show your mer - cy to the heath - en!



Lift - ed up his voice to heav - en:  
From their fol - ly, ere they per - ish,  
Lest they face un - end - ing ter - rors,



"Fath - er, may they be for - giv - en!"  
Save the peo - ple that you cher - ish."  
Call them from their fool - ish er - rors.