

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

4. On Trial Before Pilate

Pastor: While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked closely at him.

Women: "You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus," she said.

Men: But he denied it. "I don't know or understand what you're talking about," he said, and went out into the entryway.

Pastor: When the servant girl saw him there, she said again to those standing around,

Congregation: "This fellow is one of them."

Pastor: Again he denied it. After a little while, those standing near said to Peter,

Men: "Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean."

Pastor: He began to call down curses on himself, and he swore to them,

Women: "I don't know this man you're talking about."

Pastor: Immediately the rooster crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows twice you will disown me three times." And he broke down and wept. Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, reached a decision. They bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.

Congregation: "Are you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate.

Men: "Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied.

Pastor: The chief priests accused him of many things. So again Pilate asked him,

Congregation: "Aren't you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of."

Pastor: But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed. Now it was the custom at the Feast to release a prisoner whom the people requested. A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising. The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.

Women: "Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate, knowing it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him.

Pastor: But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead.

Men: "What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?" Pilate asked them.

Congregation: "Crucify him!" they shouted.

Women: "Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate.

Pastor: But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!" Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

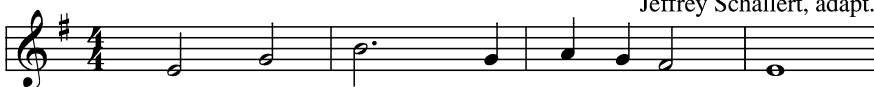
Seasonal Response

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Christ, by Countless Foes Surrounded

(The Roman Soldiers)

Jeffrey Schallert, adapt.



1 Christ, by count - less foes surround - ed,
2 "Though their mock - ing laughs surround me,
3 When man - kind in pride a - ris - ing



From the depths of woe un - sound - ed,
Though with cru - el thorns they crown me,
And the Sa - vior's love de - spis - ing



Lift - ed up his voice to heav - en:
For their par - don I am su - ing,
Mocks sal - va - tion's won - drous sto - ry,



"Fath - er, may they be for - giv - en!"
For they know not what they're do - ing."
Let our Lord be all our glo - ry!