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MIDWEEK SERVICE 5

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Special Guest: Pastor Peter Leyrer, Risen Savior

"Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadow" -Hymn# 587

M: In the name of The Father, and of The Son(†), and of The Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Amen!

M: O Lord, open my lips.

Assembly: And my mouth shall declare Your praise!

M: Hasten to save me, O God.

Assembly: O Lord, come quickly to help me!

M: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And also with you.

M: Let us pray. Gracious Lord, according to Your will and promise, You sent Your Son into our world to atone for sin and restore eternal life.

Assembly: You planned His path to the cross and He followed it.

M: He confronted the blindness of unbelief, the confusion of doubt, and the sting of death but was not deterred as He proclaimed Your kingdom to the least, the last, and the lost.

Assembly: As we hear the holy record of our Savior's passion death, use the sharp message of the law to empty us of pride and self-reliance.

M: Humble us as we view our Lord in His humility. Help us remember and believe that He endured the cross so we might be freed from its horror.

Assembly: In our Lord's suffering, show us our healing!

M: In our Lord's grief, show us our joy!

Assembly: In our Lord's agony, show us our forgiveness!

M: In our Lord's death, show us our life!

All: Hear our prayer for the sake of Jesus, Who lives and reigns with You and The Holy Spirit: One God, now and forever. Amen.

PASSION HISTORY READING- #4

SEASONAL RESPONSE

All: He was wounded for our transgressions.

He was bruised for our iniquities.

*The chastisement for our peace was upon Him,
and by His stripes we are healed.*

-Isaiah 53:5

“Not All the Blood of Beasts” -Hymn# 128

John 12:20-33

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the Feast. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee with a request. “Sir,” they said, “we would like to see Jesus.” Philip went to tell Andrew. Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. Jesus replied, “The hour has come for The Son of Man to be glorified! I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves Me must follow Me, and where I am, My servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves Me. Now My heart is troubled, and what shall I say, ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour: ‘Father, glorify Your name!’” Then a voice came from Heaven, “I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.” The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered. Others said an angel spoke to Him. Jesus said, “This voice was for your benefit, not Mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world. Now the prince of this world will be driven out. But I, when I am lifted up from the Earth, will draw all men to Myself.” He said this to show the kind of death He was going to die.

HIS FINAL STEPS:

Led to Some Greeks

SILOAH'S LENTEN CREED

All: I believe in God, The Father, Almighty, Who created Heaven, Earth, and all things. In order to save the world, He allowed His only Son to die on the cross.

I believe in Jesus, The Father's only-begotten Son, Who was conceived by The Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. Even though He lived an absolutely sinless life, He was subjected to ridicule, pain and suffering— for me and all people.

He was crucified under Pontius Pilate and died on the cross. He descended into Hell to proclaim His victory over the devil, sin, and death. On Resurrection Sunday, Jesus rose from the dead and forty days later, ascended into Heaven. He will return to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in The Holy Spirit, who creates and sustains faith in my heart, and in the hearts of all believers. Through Word and Sacraments, The Holy Spirit will keep me, and all believers in a good and right relationship with God. I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. I gladly share my faith with others and joyfully await the eternal life which God has prepared for me and all those who love Him. This is most certainly true.

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THE 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.

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" -Hymn# 452:1&2

CLOSING PRAYER

M: Heavenly Father, during our Lenten journey and always, keep us focused on our Lord Jesus, Whose final steps led to some Greeks. Empower our spiritual walk and help us to grow in faith and godly living. Teach us Your ways, O Lord and we will walk in Your truth. Give us an undivided heart, that we may fear Your name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and The Holy Spirit: One God, now and forever.

Assembly: Amen.

BLESSING

M: May God's angels travel with you as you leave your Father's house. May God's Spirit live in you and work through you. May God's grace be yours, now and always.

Assembly: Amen.

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" -Hymn# 452:3&4