

Lenten Series

**Wednesday, March 19, 2025**

12:00 PM

# I WAS THERE



**A Judicial Review of the Events Leading to the  
Crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth**



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## WORSHIP INFORMATION

**Please silence your electronic devices during service.**

"P" signifies the pastor, "L" signifies the leader, and "C" signifies the congregation.

For responsive readings, the congregation parts are in **bold**.

**\* Indicates: "please stand (as you are comfortable)"**

## PRELUDE

Alex Bennett

**OPENING VIDEO:** *Lent: A Season of Renewal*

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### \*WORSHIP OPENING

P: Lord, you set your face towards Jerusalem and walked alongside those who suffer.

**C: Be our vision that we too may walk the way of the cross and extend a hand to those we meet.**

P: Lord, you stopped to heal the sick, cure the lame, and give sight to the blind.

**C: Be our vision that we too may give time to others and respond to their needs.**

**\*HYMN:** *Be Thou My Vision*

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.

P: Lord, you said, the first shall be last and the last shall be first.

**C: Be our vision that we too may work towards your kingdom when the exalted will be brought low and the lowly exalted.**

P: Lord, you ate with tax collectors and sinners and listened to their stories.

**C: Be our vision that we too may listen to the despised and rejected and value their lives.**

2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

P: Lord, you took time to pray and time to be silent.

**C: Be our vision that through our prayers, fasting, and benevolence, we too may draw closer to you and find your way.**

P: Lord, you entered Jerusalem with peace in your heart.

**C: Be our vision that we too may desire peace where others desire war, and may work for justice where injustice reigns.**

3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.

P: Lord, give us the gladness of your help, support us with a willing spirit, and open our hearts and minds to a renewed vision of God's love, a vision that calls us to deeper commitment, self-reflection, and acts of compassion.

**C: Be our vision, guide our steps, and help us to discern what you would have us do as we walk this Lenten journey, for you are our hope and our salvation.**

4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

**\*PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. God of the wilderness,

**C: your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness and was tempted as we are, but did not sin. Meet us in our fears and joys alike and sustain us in our weakness. Walk alongside us to call us to repentance. Pour out your Spirit upon us, that these forty days might be for us a journey that renews our hope, strengthens our faith, and prepares us for the agony of the cross as well as the new life of resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**HYMN: In the Hour of Trial**

1 In the hour of tri - al, Je - sus, plead for me,  
 2 With for - bid - den plea - sures should this vain world charm,  
 lest by base de - ni - al I de - part from thee.  
 or its sor - did trea - sures spread to work me harm,  
 When thou seest me wa - ver, with a look re - call;  
 bring to my re - mem - brance sad Geth - sem - a - ne,  
 nor from fear or fa - vor suf - fer me to fall.  
 or, in dark - er sem - blance, cross-crowned Cal - va - ry.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854  
 Music: PENITENCE, Spencer Lane, 1843–1903



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**Dear Prospective Juror:**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO APPEAR IN COURT ON THE DATES SPECIFIED BELOW TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE JURY FOR THE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THE EVENTS LEADING TO THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS OF NAZARETH.**

**JUROR NO.: 1 - 300**  
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**MARCH 12, 19, 26, & APRIL 2, 9**  
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#### WEEK 2:

#### The Examination of Mary Magdalene.

#### Luke 7:36-50

NRSVue

<sup>36</sup> One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and when he went into the Pharisee's house he reclined to dine.

<sup>37</sup> And a woman in the city who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. <sup>38</sup> She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair, kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment.

<sup>39</sup> Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known

who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him, that she is a sinner."

<sup>40</sup> Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." <sup>41</sup> "A certain moneylender had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?"

<sup>43</sup> Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." <sup>44</sup> Then turning toward the

woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment.

<sup>47</sup> Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; hence she has shown great

love. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little." <sup>48</sup> Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." <sup>49</sup> But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" <sup>50</sup> But he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

#### Mark 16:1-9

NRSVue

<sup>1</sup> When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup> When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup> As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been

raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup> So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid. <sup>9</sup> Now after he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



**HYMN: Were You There?**



1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

*Refrain*



Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual



**PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

P: Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. Let us pray. God of love, hear the cry of those who yearn for love; fractured families, broken homes, neglected, unwanted, alone.

God of love,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: God of justice, hear the cry of those who yearn for justice; persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill-treated, broken.

God of justice,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: God of peace, hear the cry of those who yearn for peace; in battle zones and broken states, frightened, fearful, anxious.

God of peace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: God of healing, hear the cry of those who yearn for healing; physical and spiritual, hurting, weakened, depressed.

God of healing,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: God of mercy, hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy; convicted, in need of your grace, contrite, humble, bowed down.

God of mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: God of grace, accompany us on our journey and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**





## MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### WE OFFER OUR GIFTS BACK TO GOD

Many services and missions of the church are benefited by your generous offerings.

- Canyon del Oro Assembly of God Food Pantry
- Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona • ELCA Grand Canyon Synod
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- Sister Jose Women's Center • Wycliffe Bible Missionaries
- Lutheran Campus Ministry of U of A. Thank you!

### MUSICAL OFFERING

Alex Bennett

#### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray. God of the wilderness, we give these offerings in gratitude,

**C: rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us.**

P: We give these offerings in faith,

**C: trusting that you will provide for our needs.**

P: We give these offerings in hope,

**C: knowing you can use them to spread your love in this world.**

P: May we live with generous hearts and open hands.

**C: Amen.**



#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Merciful God,

**C: we confess to you our reluctance to enter the wilderness places where we are confronted with our true selves. Forgive us our sins and fill us with the joy and peace of your salvation. Strengthen us with your Spirit during this Lenten season that we put our whole trust in you as confidently as Jesus did, so we can leave this wilderness season more aware of your presence and the ways our faith can sustain us. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, ✠ forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power.

**C: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

#### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

#### \*JESUS' PROMISE AND COMMAND

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: 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.**

**HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED - All are invited to the Lord's table.**

- Receive a wafer and dip it in either red wine or white grape juice.
- Indicate you need a gluten free wafer by holding up two fingers.
- Individually wrapped communion packs are available.
- Those not receiving communion may come forward for a spoken blessing.
- If you are unable to come forward, notify an usher and we will come to you.

**COMMUNION HYMNS: Eat This Bread Sing 4x**

*Refrain*




“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.




Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”

**O Lord, Hear My Prayer Sing 4x**



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.




O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.

**Wait for the Lord Sing 4x**



Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.



Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

**Stay with Me Sing 4x**



Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and




pray. Watch and pray.

**Jesus, Remember Me Sing 4x**



Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.



Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom.

**\*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND CLOSING PRAYER**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us pray. Thank you, gracious God, for giving us bread for the journey of these forty days. As we travel on through the wilderness, help us to share your grace with others and draw us ever closer to you; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

P: God, the giver of love, ✠ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

**C: Amen.**



**\*HYMN: The Old Rugged Cross**



1 On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross,  
2 Oh, that old rug - ged cross so de - spised by the world,  
3 In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine,  
4 To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true,



the em - blem of suf - f'ring and shame;  
has a won - drous at - trac - tion for me;  
a won - drous beau - ty I see;  
its shame and re - proach glad - ly bear;



and I love that old cross where the dear - est and best  
for the dear Lamb of God left his glo - ry a - bove,  
for 'twas on that old cross Je - sus suf - fered and died,  
Christ will call me some day to my home far a - way,



for a world of lost sin - ners was slain.  
to . . . bear it to dark Cal - va - ry.  
to . . . par - don and sanc - ti - fy me.  
where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.

*Refrain*



So I'll cher - ish the old rug - ged cross, till my



tro - phies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rug - ged



cross, and ex - change it some day for a crown.





## Financial Information Update:

Financial updates will be published in April, July and October.  
Thank you.

### Attendance for last week:

Oro Valley: 576  
SaddleBrooke: 145  
Online: 432

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

*Thank you for wearing your name tags. If you are in need of one, please contact the church office.*

### FACILITIES INFORMATION

- **Restrooms** are located in the hallway to your right as you face the exit of the worship space.
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- **Offices** are located in the Administration Building.
- **Please Observe AZ State Law:** Please refrain from smoking within 20 feet of public entrances.

### WORSHIP SERVICES

#### Saturday Worship

**5 PM** – Traditional service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.  
First Saturday – Healing Service. Fourth Saturday – Holden Evening Prayer.

#### Sunday Worship

**7:45 AM** – Traditional liturgical service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

**9:00 AM** – Traditional service at our SaddleBrooke location.

**9:15 AM** – Traditional service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

**10:45 AM** – Children's Sunday School located in the Child Development Center and Confirmation and High School Sunday School meet in the Outreach Building. Classes are available for ages 3 through 12th grade.

**10:45 AM** – Contemporary service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

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