

First Reading

Exodus 3:1-14

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you.'"



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Second Reading

John 18:33-37

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."

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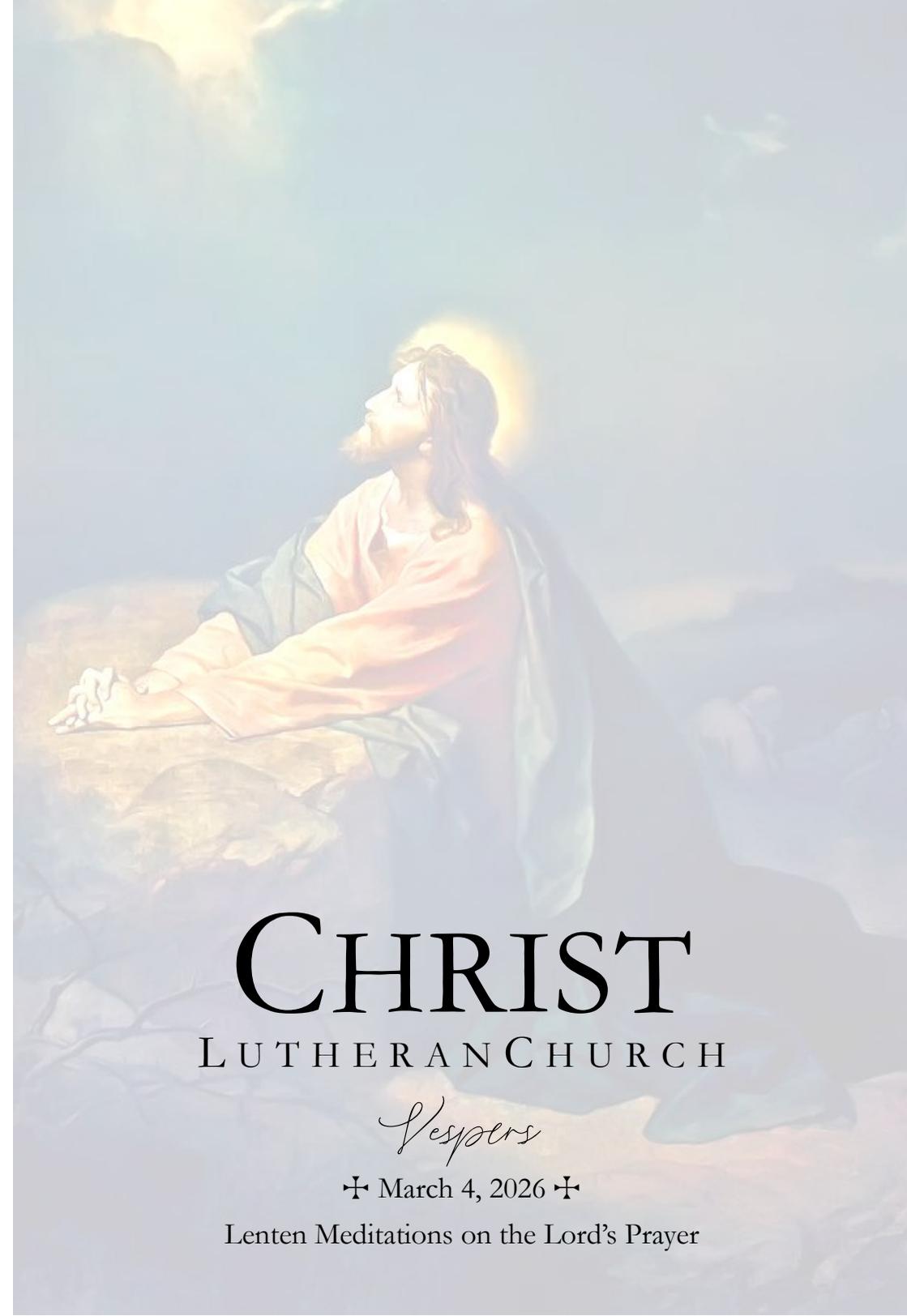
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Vespers

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Lenten Meditations on the Lord's Prayer

We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today,
and pray God's richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

*All members and our guests are asked to complete
the worship attendance pads which can be found on each pew.
Guests are also asked to sign the guest register found in the Narthex.*

We are so glad to have you worshipping with us today!

*LARGE PRINT worship folders are available
at the usher stand at the back of the nave.*

Hallowed by Thy name.

What does this mean? God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray
in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

Luther's Small Catechism

"The powers of the world, which had only recently gained the upper hand
and declared the Lord dead, are deposed from their thrones overnight. They
pass away, but he remains. He 'is'. His 'I am' is not only the present reality
of God; it is also his constancy. In every transition he is present; yesterday,
today, and tomorrow. Eternity is not in the past. Time is not God. God is the
Eternal; where time is worshipped, it is an idol."

Joseph Ratzinger, *The God of Jesus Christ*

"Blessed be the Lord Our God, who hath clothed himself in names."

St. Ephraim the Syrian, *Hymns*

Psalm: Benedicam Dominum

Psalm 34



I will bless the LORD at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

**Oh, magnify the | LORD with me,*
and let us exalt his name to- | gether!
I sought the LORD, and he | answered me*
and delivered me from | all my fears.**

Those who look to him are | radiant,*
and their faces shall never | be ashamed.
This poor man cried, and the LORD | heard him*
and saved him out of all his | troubles.

**The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear him,*
and de- | livers them.**

**Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!*
Blesséd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!**

Oh, fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him | have no lack!
The young lions suffer want and | hunger;*
but those who seek the LORD lack | no good thing.

**Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*
I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.
What man is there who de- | sires life*
and loves many days, that he may | see good?**

Keep your tongue from | evil*
and your lips from speak- | ing deceit.
Turn away from evil | and do good;*
seek peace and pur- | sue it.

**The eyes of the LORD are toward the | righteous*
and his ears | toward their cry.
The face of the LORD is against those who do | evil,*
to cut off the memory of them | from the earth.**

When the righteous cry for help, the | LORD hears*
and delivers them out of all their | troubles.
The LORD is near to the broken- | hearted*
and saves the crushed in | spirit.

**Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.
He keeps | all his bones;*
not one of them is | broken.**

Affliction will slay the | wicked,*
and those who hate the righteous will | be condemned.
The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;*
none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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