

many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward ⁶¹and said, “This man said, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to rebuild it in three days.’” ⁶²And the high priest stood up and said, “Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?” ⁶³But Jesus remained silent.

The Apostles’ Creed (p. 159)

The Hymn of the Day: 434 “Lamb of God, Pure and Holy”

The Sermon: “Knowing When to Keep Quiet” (Isaiah 53:7)

The Prayer of the Church (p. 159)

P Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

The Offering is gathered for the Lord’s work (p. 159)

(If you have not done so already, please sign and share the Fellowship folders in the pews to assist us in keeping accurate attendance records. Thank you.)

The Offertory (pp. 159-160)

The Service of the Sacrament

(Communicants are to be in full confessional fellowship with the LCMS)

The Preface - Agnus Dei (pp. 160-163)

The Distribution

The Post-Communion Canticle: Nunc Dimittis (p. 165)

The Post-Communion Collect (p. 166)

The Benediction (p. 166)

The Closing Hymn: 431 “Not All the Blood of Beasts”

Be seated for the Passion reading

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ Drawn from the Four Gospels

Part IV: The Praetorium

*(At the conclusion of the reading, the acolyte[s] and pastor depart the nave.
After they have departed, the congregation departs in silence.)*

Soli Deo Gloria!

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*“Our Suffering Savior” Lenten Series
Part 5: “Knowing When to Keep Quiet”
(Isaiah 53:7)*

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The Service of Preparation

(Upon entering the nave, silence should be observed to allow all the opportunity to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the Lord and the reception of His gifts)

The Prelude and Ringing of the Bells

Confession and Absolution (p. 151)

The Service of the Word

The Psalm

Psalm 32



Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,*
whose sin is | covered.

**Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,*
and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.**

For when I kept silent, my bones wast- | ed away*
through my groaning | all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy up- | on me;*
my strength was dried up as by the heat of | summer.**

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my in- | iquity;*
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave
the iniquity | of my sin.

**Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when
you | may be found;***

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not | reach him.
You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from | trouble;*
you surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.

**I will instruct you and teach you in the way | you should go;*
I will counsel you with my eye up- | on you.**

Be not like a horse or a mule, without under- | standing,*
which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay | near you.

**Many are the sorrows of the | wicked,*
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts | in the LORD.**

Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O | righteous,*
and shout for joy, all you up- | right in heart!

**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.**

The Kyrie (pp. 152-153)

The Salutation and Collect of the Day (p. 156)

Lord Jesus, who was silent when men nailed You to the cross and by pain did triumph over pain, pour Your Spirit, we pray You, on Your servants when they suffer that in their quietness and courage You may triumph again; who lives and reigns in the glory of the eternal Trinity, one God, now and forever.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 53:7

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.

The Gradual

Ps. 57:1a, 3a

Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me,*
for in you my soul takes refuge.

**He will send from heaven and save me;*
he will put to shame him who tramples on me.**

The Epistle

James 1:26; 3:5-10

²⁶If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless . . . ^{3:5}So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so.

The Lenten Verse (p. 157)

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 26:57-63a

⁵⁷Then those who had seized Jesus led him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. ⁵⁸And Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards to see the end. ⁵⁹Now the chief priests and the whole Council were seeking false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death, ⁶⁰but they found none, though