REFLECTIONS on REPENTANCE



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782 Luther's Morning and Evening Prayer CW 782 sts. 1b-2



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ORDER OF SERVICE

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: the maker of heaven and earth.

M: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

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

Silence for private confession.

M: By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life.

C: Amen

30A You Have Turned My Wailing into Dancing



I will exalt you, Lord, for you lifted me out / of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat / over me.

Lord my God, I called to / you for help, and you / healed me.

You, Lord, brought me up from the realm / of the dead; you spared me from going down / to the pit. *Refrain*

Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful / people; praise his / holy name.

For his anger lasts only a / moment, but his favor lasts a / lifetime;

weeping may stay / for the night, but rejoicing comes in the / morning.

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. Refrain

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PSALM PRAYER

When I was in the pit of despair, Lord, you lifted me out. Though your anger blazed down on me because of my sin, you sent your Son to take the brunt of your anger so that I might be spared. Now I rejoice in the splendor of your grace and proclaim your savings deeds to those who will yet praise you as their only Savior. Amen.

PASSION READING - Luke 23:26-56

²⁶As they led him away, they seized Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country. They placed the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷A large crowd of people was following him, including women who were mourning and wailing for him. ²⁸Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, stop weeping for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹Be sure of this: The days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never gave birth, and the breasts that never nursed.' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things to the green wood, what will happen to the dry?"

³²Two other men, who were criminals, were led away with Jesus to be executed.

³³When they came to the place called The Skull, they crucified him there with the criminals, one on his right and the other on his left.

³⁴Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

They cast lots to divide his garments among them. ³⁵The people stood watching. The rulers were ridiculing him, saying, "He saved others. Let him save himself, if this is the Christ of God, the Chosen One!"

³⁶The soldiers also made fun of him. Coming up to him, they offered him sour wine, ³⁷saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

³⁸There was also an inscription written above him: "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals hanging there was blaspheming him, saying, "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!"

⁴⁰But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God, since you are under the same condemnation? ⁴¹We are punished justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for what we have done, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom."

⁴³Jesus said to him, "Amen I tell you: Today you will be with me in paradise."

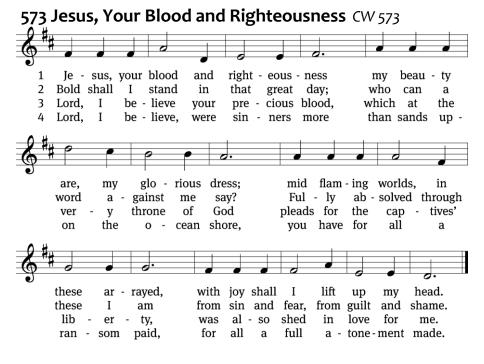
⁴⁴It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, ⁴⁵while the sun was darkened. Then the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" When he had said this, he breathed his last.

⁴⁷When the centurion saw what had happened, he began to

glorify God, saying, "This man really was righteous." ⁴⁸When all the groups of people who had gathered to see this spectacle saw what had happened, they returned home beating their chests. ⁴⁹All those who knew Jesus, and the women who followed with him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. ⁵⁰Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea, who was a member of the Council, a good and righteous man. ⁵¹He had not agreed with their plan and action. He was looking forward to the kingdom of God. ⁵²This man went to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. ⁵³He took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and placed it in a tomb that was cut out of rock, where no one had yet been laid. ⁵⁴It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was beginning. 55The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed after Joseph, and they observed the tomb and how his body was laid there. ⁵⁶Then they returned and prepared spices and perfumes. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

SEASONAL RESPONSE

C: 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.



- When from the dust of death I rise to claim my mansion in the skies, this then shall be my only plea:
 Jesus has lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!
 Your boundless mercy has for me,
 for me and all your hands have made,
 an everlasting ransom paid.

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DEVOTION - *Psalm 51:7 (EHV)*

Remove my sin with hyssop, and I will be clean. Wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

PRAYER

M: God, our Father, by the sacrifice of your Son you reconciled the world to yourself.

C: We thank you for the precious gift of forgiveness. Refresh us with the joy of salvation, that we may walk in the way of peace with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

M: Renew our minds and wills, that daily we may speak your word of peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

M: Go in peace. Christ Jesus has set you free.

C: Thanks be to God.

550 Lamb of God



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