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Lent 2025

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Lenten Theme: Sounds of the Passion

This year we will be reflecting on the sounds that were heard during the final hours before Jesus' death and the implications those events have for us more than 2,000 years later. Our Midweek Lenten schedule is as follows:

Ash Wed.	Mar. 5	The Crowing of the Rooster	Rodebaugh
Lent #2	Mar. 12	The Sound of Weeping	Naumann
Lent #3	Mar. 19	The Thud of the Hammer	Mayhew
Lent #4	Mar. 26	The Clatter of Coins	Dummann
Lent #5	Apr. 2	The Shout of the Crowd	Rodebaugh
Lent #6	Apr. 9	The Rattle of Dice	Sippert
Maun. Thurs.	Apr. 17	The Splash of Water	Rodebaugh
Good Friday	Apr. 18	The Cry of Victory	Rodebaugh

✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #155 *"Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing"*

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C *♩ Amen.*

Confession of Sins

P Beloved in the Lord! We have come into the presence of God almighty who declares, "Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live."
Isaiah 55:3

C **"He who has ears, let him hear."** *Matthew 13:9*

P "Hear this now, O foolish people, Without understanding, Who have eyes and see not, And who have ears and hear not: 'Do you not fear Me?' says the LORD. 'Will you not tremble at My presence?'"
Jeremiah 5:21-22

C **"He who has ears, let him hear."** *Matthew 13:9*

P We sinners must confess to You, O Lord, that we have failed to listen and obey Your holy Word. We have sinned in our actions, our words, and our thoughts. Like Israel of old, we have refused to heed, shrugged our shoulders, and stopped our ears so that they could not hear.
cf. Zechariah 7:11

C **"He who has ears, let him hear."** *Matthew 13:9*



Mark 15:9-15

And [Pilate] answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the

Jews?" ¹⁰ For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. ¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. ¹² And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" ¹³ And they cried out again, "Crucify him." ¹⁴ And Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." ¹⁵ So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

Sounds of the Passion: The Shout of the Crowd

Offertory: LSB #589:4 "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens"

C ♪ *As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me; Let Your words in me take root. May Your Spirit e'er be near me That I bear abundant fruit. May I daily sing Your praise, From my heart glad anthems raise, Till my highest praise is given In the endless joy of heaven.*

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Hymn: TLH #32 "Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven"

✠ General Prayer & the Lord's Prayer ✠

The Benediction *Numbers 6:24-26*

P The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

C ♪ **Amen! Amen! A-men!**

Hymn: TLH #554 "Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadow"

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Out of the Depths



1 Out of the depths I cry to You on high; Lord,

2 I look to God; I trust His ho - ly Word; He

Sing after Absolution:

3 Hope in the Lord, in His un - fail - ing love; in



hear my call. Bend down Your ear and

hears my sighs. My soul still waits and

Him con - fide. Mer - cy and full re -



list - en to my sigh, for - giv - ing all.

looks un - to the Lord; my prayers a - rise.

demp-tion from a - bove He does pro - vide.



If you should mark our sins, then who could stand? But

I look to Him to drive a - way the night; yes,

From sin and e - vil, might - y though they seem, His



grace and mer - cy dwell at Your right hand.

more than those who wait for morn - ing light.

arm al - might - y will His saints re - deem.

Absolution of Sins

P "Then they brought to Jesus one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech, and they begged Him to put His hand on him. And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers in his ears, and He spat and touched his tongue. Then, looking up to heaven, He sighed, and said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is,"

C “Be opened.”

P “Immediately his ears were opened, and the impediment of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plainly.” *Mark 7:32-35*

P Greater than the miracle of restoring physical hearing is the gift of spiritual hearing.

C “So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” *Romans 10:17*

P Our God promises,

C “The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their cry.” *Psalms 34:15*

P Jesus invites us,

C “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.” *Revelation 3:20*

P God's plan of salvation has been fulfilled in Christ Jesus. We are redeemed. We are restored. We are forgiven. “As it is written, ‘Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.’” *1 Corinthians 2:9-10*

C “But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.”

Response to the Absolution

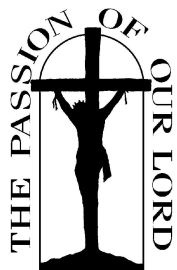
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**Harmony Reading of
The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ**

Passion Harmony by Bo Giertz
Based on the *English Standard Version* of the Bible

This week's harmony readings:

- Jesus Bears His Cross
- The Crucifixion



Response: LSB #589:1-2 “Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens”

C ♪ *Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens,
Let Your Word to me come near;
Newborn life and spirit give me,
Let each promise still my fear.
Death's dread pow'r, its inward strife,
Wars against Your Word of life;
Fill me, Lord, with love's strong fervor
That I cling to You forever!*

*Oh, what blessing to be near You
And to listen to Your voice;
Let me ever love and hear You,
Let Your Word be now my choice!
Many hardened sinners, Lord,
Flee in terror at Your Word;
But to all who feel sin's burden
You give words of peace and pardon.*

Confession of Faith

Explanation of the 2nd Article

C I BELIEVE...

that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and His innocent suffering and death.



He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy; just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity. This is most certainly true.

Choir

“Behold the Man”

Hymn: TLH #143:1-3

“O Dearest Jesus”