***Mid-week Lenten Service***

**2nd Wednesday in Lent *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound…* March 3, 2021**

**Greeting**

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;

how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

**Hymn** *“At Calvary”*

Years I spent in vanity and pride, Caring not my Lord was crucified,

Knowing not it was for me He died On Calvary.

 *Refrain: Mercy there was great, and grace was free; Pardon there was multiplied to me;*

 *There my burdened soul found liberty, At Calvary.*

By God’s Word at last my sin I learned; Then I trembled at the law I’d spurned,

Till my guilty soul imploring turned To Calvary. *[Refrain]*

Now I’ve given to Jesus everything, Now I gladly own Him as my King,

Now my raptured soul can only sing Of Calvary.

Oh, the love that drew salvation’s plan! Oh the grace that brought it down to man!

Oh the mighty gulf that God did span At Calvary! *[Refrain]*

**Prayer of Confession**

 **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought,**

 **word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

 **We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors**

 **as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your**

**Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight**

 **in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your name. Amen.**

**Silent Meditation Words of Forgiveness**

**Chorus of Thanks** *“Grace Greater than Our Sin”*

*Grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;*

*grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!*

**Psalter** *Psalm 27*

 The Lord is my light and my salvation. Should I fear anyone?
    The Lord is a fortress protecting my life. Should I be frightened of anything?
 **2**When evildoers come at me trying to eat me up—

 it’s they, my foes and my enemies, who stumble and fall!
 **3**If an army camps against me, my heart won’t be afraid.
    If war comes up against me, I will continue to trust in this: **4** I have asked one thing from the Lord—
    it’s all I seek: to live in the Lord’s house all the days of my life, seeing the Lord’s beauty

 and constantly adoring his temple.

 **5**Because he will shelter me in his own dwelling during troubling times;
    he will hide me in a secret place in his own tent; he will set me up high, safe on a rock.

 **6**Now my head is higher than the enemies surrounding me, and I will offer sacrifices in God’s tent—
    sacrifices with shouts of joy! I will sing and praise the Lord.

 **7**Lord, listen to my voice when I cry out—have mercy on me and answer me!
 **8**Come, my heart says, seek God’s face. Lord, I do seek your face!
 **9**Please don’t hide it from me! Don’t push your servant aside angrily—you have been my help!
    God who saves me, don’t neglect me! Don’t leave me all alone!
**10**Even if my father and mother left me all alone, the Lord would take me in.
**11**Lord, teach me your way; because of my opponents, lead me on a good path.

**12**Don’t give me over to the desires of my enemies,

 because false witnesses and violent accusers have taken their stand against me.
**13**But I have sure faith that I will experience the Lord’s goodness in the land of the living!

**14**Hope in the Lord! Be strong! Let your heart take courage! Hope in the Lord!

**Gospel Lesson** *St. Luke 17:11-19*

 **11**On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee.

 **12**As he entered a village, ten men with skin diseases approached him. Keeping their distance

 from him, **13**they raised their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, show us mercy!”

 **14**When Jesus saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” As they left,

 they were cleansed. **15**One of them, when he saw that he had been healed,

 returned and praised God with a loud voice. **16**He fell on his face at Jesus’ feet and thanked him.

 He was a Samaritan. **17**Jesus replied, “Weren’t ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?

 **18**No one returned to praise God except this foreigner?” **19**Then Jesus said to him, “Get up and go.

 Your faith has healed you.”

**Reflections of Grace *Witness of Grace***

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Merciful God, we Your children humbly thank You for all of Your goodness. We thank You for blessing us in all the ways that You do. Above all, we thank You for saving and redeeming us through your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and for the grace and hope that is ours through Him. We ask that You would heighten our awareness of Your grace that we would be ever more thankful, leading us to praise You with our whole being, and serve You all our days. We pray this through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Hymn** *“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”*

Pass me not, O gentle Savior, hear my humble cry;

while on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

 *Refrain: Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry; while on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.*

Let me at thy throne of mercy find a sweet relief,

Kneeling there in deep contrition; help my unbelief. *[Refrain]*

Trusting only in thy merit, would I seek thy face;

heal my wounded, broken spirit, save me by thy grace. *[Refrain]*

Thou the spring of all my comfort, more than life to me,

whom have I on earth beside thee? Whom in heaven but thee? *[Refrain]*

**Benediction**

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*We are glad that you are with us tonight.*

*Please be reminded that each Wednesday during this season of Lent*

*we will gather, via Zoom, at 7 PM.*

*Our theme for Lent is “Amazing Grace.”*