

March 19, 2017  
Third Sunday in Lent

Preparation for Worship – Please use this time for silent preparation of heart and mind for worship of the Almighty God.

Prelude – “O Lord, Whose Mercies” Handel

Announcements

Choral Introit

\*Call to Worship – Isaiah 53:4-6

Minister: “Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows’

Congregation: yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

Minister: But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;

Congregation: upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.

Unison: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned – every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.”

\*Invocation

\*Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn - “Crown Him with Many Crowns” #295

Word of Greeting – Please pass the Friendship Registers found on the right end of each row.

Sacrament of Baptism - Amelia Rose Wilson

Responsive Reading – Psalm 32 p.462 in Pew Bible

Confession of Sin (Unison)

Our Eternal God,

Truly, “Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.” Our Father, we confess to You that our transgressions are many. We commit them in countless ways every day of our lives. Nothing in creation is hidden from your sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before Your eyes, You to whom we must give account. As our sins are laid bare, they leave us condemned, with no hope of Your favor.

While You could forever count us as sinners and separate us from Your love, instead, in Your great love, You have promised to not count sin against the one who has faith in Christ. Through His redemption,

You remember not our sins.

You have removed them from us as far as the east is from the west,

You remember Your great mercy and love, which are from old.

You count us righteous through the righteousness of Christ Jesus, who for our sins lived a perfect life and died on the Cross.

Assurance of Pardon (Unison)

Ephesians 1:6, 7

“To the praise of His glorious grace, which He has freely given us in the One He loves. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins...”

Morning Prayer

\*Hymn – “Let us Love and Sing and Wonder” #172

\*Confession of Faith – Larger Catechism, Questions 152 & 153

Q. 152. What doth every sin deserve at the hands of God?

A. Every sin, even the least, being against the sovereignty, goodness, and holiness of God, and against his righteous law, deserveth his wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come; and cannot be expiated but by the blood of Christ.

Q. 153. What doth God require of us, that we may escape his wrath and curse due to us by reason of the transgression of the law?

A. That we may escape the wrath and curse of God due to us by reason of the transgression of the law, he requireth of us repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ, and the diligent use of the outward means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of his mediation.

\*Doxology #731

Offertory

Offertory Music– “O Sacred Head/Nothing But the Blood” Arr. Kelsey Robert Covert - Piano

(Children 4 up until age 6 may be dismissed to Children’s Church)

Scripture Reading – John 19:25-27 p.905 in Pew Bible

Sermon The Reverend Mr. David G. McKay

LENTEN SERIES: “The Seven Last Words of Christ”

“CHRIST’S PROVISION FOR FAMILY”

\*Hymn – “God, Be Merciful to Me” #486

\*Benediction

\*Postlude – “Mosso Moderato” Sachs

The Rev. Mr. David G. McKay, Minister  
The Rev. Mr. John F. Peoples, Jr., Associate Minister  
Mrs. Julie Covert, Organist and Choir Director