

Lent Midweek Six The Book of Job

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Compline

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Prelude & Ringing of the Tower Bell

- The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.
- C Amen.
- **L** It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
- to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;
- L to herald Your love in the morning,
- **C** Your truth at the close of the day.

Confession

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for Self-Examination

- L God of thundering glory and wondrous love.
- **C** You laid the earth's foundation.
- L You marked off its dimensions.
- **C** You laid its cornerstone.
- **L** shut the sea behind doors.
- And so to you we lay bare the thoughts and desires of our hearts;

- L We have been foolish in our secret desires.
- **W**e are bound to fatal enchantments that lead us into lies and deceit.
- **L** Hear our broken cries
- **C** For we have no other hope.
- The God who wraps himself in a storm and speaks to Job is the same God who wrapped himself in a human body to die on a cross, bleed for your sins, and hang forsaken by his Father. Because of Jesus you are cleansed, healed, forgiven and made new.
- **C** I know that my Redeemer lives!

Psalm 130

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¹Out of the depths
I cry to you, O LORD!
²O Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

³If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

⁴But with you there is forgiveness

⁴But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; ⁶my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

8 And by an illuminations Israel.

⁸And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

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- Jesus, refuge of the weary,
 Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
 Fountain in life's desert dreary,
 Savior from the world above:
 Often have Your eyes, offended,
 Gazed upon the sinner's fall;
 Yet upon the cross extended,
 You have borne the pain of all.
- Do we pass that cross unheeding,
 Breathing no repentant vow,
 Though we see You wounded, bleeding,
 See Your thorn-encircled brow?
 Yet Your sinless death has brought us
 Life eternal, peace, and rest;
 Only what Your grace has taught us
 Calms the sinner's deep distress.
- Jesus, may our hearts be burning
 With more fervent love for You;
 May our eyes be ever turning
 To behold Your cross anew
 Till in glory, parted never
 From the blessèd Savior's side,
 Graven in our hearts forever,
 Dwell the cross, the Crucified.

Readings from Holy Scripture

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

"In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights,

hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

Luke 8:22-25

²²One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they set out, ²³and as they sailed he fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water and were in danger. ²⁴And they went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and the raging waves, and they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵He said to them, "Where is your faith?" And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even winds and water, and they obey him?"

Responsory

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- L Into Your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
- Into Your hands I commend my spirit.
- L You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
- Into Your hands I commend my spirit.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- Into Your hands I commend my spirit.

- 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.
- Lord, Your words are waters living
 When my thirsting spirit pleads.
 Lord, Your words are bread life-giving;
 On Your words my spirit feeds.
 Lord, Your words will be my light
 Through death's cold and dreary night;
 Yes, they are my sword prevailing
 And my cup of joy unfailing!
- 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.

¹Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said:

²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Dress for action like a man;

I will question you, and you make it known to me.

⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone,

⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb,

⁹when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band,

and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?"

Sermon "God Speaks From the Storm" Job 38:1-11



God speaks to Job out of the whirlwind

Offering

Three ways to give:

- Mail your offering to the church
- Drop off your offering outside the church office, Tuesdays 9 a.m. to noon
- Give online at SJL.ORG

Prayer

- L Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C listen to my cry.
- L Keep me as the apple of Your eye;
- **C** hide me in the shadow of Your wings.
- **L** In righteousness I shall see You;
- when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.
- L God of magnificent power and might, just as you spoke to Job out of the storm, speak now in our present storm so that we have courage for the living of these days; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- L O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Your mercy grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.
- E Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in Your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

- Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.
- evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us at the end of the day, at the end of our life, at the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, with Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair, the night when death draws near. Abide with us and with all the faithful, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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- **L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done on earth
 as it is in heaven;
 give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For Thine is the kingdom
 and the power and the glory
 forever and ever. Amen.

- L Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.
- C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;
 Your word has been fulfilled.
 My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:
 a light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

Benediction

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- The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the

 → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.
- C Amen.

879 Stay with Us

- 1 Stay with us, till night has come:
 Our praise to You this day be sung.
 Bless our bread,
 Open our eyes:
 Jesus, be our great surprise.
- Walk with us, our spirits sigh:
 Hear when our weary spirits cry,
 Feel again
 Our loss, our pain:
 Jesus, take us to Your side.

- Walk with us, the road will bend: 3 Make all our weeping, wailing end. Wipe our tears, Forgive our fears: Jesus, lift the heavy cross.
- 4 Talk with us, till we behold A joyful life You will unfold: Heal our eyes To see the prize: Jesus, take us to the light.
- 5 Stay with us, till day is done: No tears nor dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, Your grace impart: Jesus, bring eternal life. Text: © 1990 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110004474

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To God Alone Be Glory

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