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Mid-Week Lenten Services

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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Dialog (same every week)

P: Jesus is the Light of the world.

C: The light that no darkness can overcome. (*John 8: 12, 1: 5*)

P: Stay with us, Lord. For it is evening.

C: And the day is almost over. (*Luke 24: 29*)

P: Let your light scatter the darkness.

C: And illumine your Church. (*John 12: 46*)

P: For even the darkness is not dark to you.

C: The night is bright as the day. (*Psalms 139: 12*)

Dialog Hymn (WOV # 649, v. 1-2, sung every Wednesday in Lent)

1 - I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2 - I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.

Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Salutation & Prayer (same every week)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Almighty God,

C: You have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common prayers to you.

You have promised through your beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his name, you will be in the midst of them. Answer, O Lord, our desires and petitions as

you determine best for us – granting us, in this world, the knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come, everlasting life in you. Amen. (*Based on a Prayer of St. Chrysostom*)

Evening Psalmody (same every week)

P: O Lord, I call upon you; hasten to me!

C: Give ear to my voice when I call to you!

P: Let my prayer be counted as incense before you,

C: and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

P: Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth;

C: keep watch over the door of my lips!

P: Do not let my heart incline to any evil,

C: to busy myself with wicked deeds.

P: But my eyes are toward you, O God, my Lord.

C: In you I seek refuge; leave me not defenseless! (*Psalms 141: 1-4a, 8*)

Scripture Lessons Matthew 27: 11-26

Homily "Journey with Jesus: The Path of His Passion – Pilate's Judgment Hall"

Tour Guide: Pastor Jennifer Gold

Hymn "Go to Dark Gethsemane" (# 109, v. 1 - 3)

The Prayers (same every week)

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people, according to their needs.

P: ... Lord, in your mercy.

Repeat verse from Hymn # 775 **between EACH prayer petition.**

C: Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Luther's Evening Prayer (same every week)

P: Hear our petitions, O Lord, as we entrust our lives into your care this night.

C: We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

P: May the Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Closing Hymn – *repeated*

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Follow the path of Jesus' Passion.

C: Thanks be to God!

Our Lenten Offerings this year will again benefit the Children's Alliance of South Texas.

This organization provides services to children who have endured physical abuse, witnessing of a crime, exploitation through the internet, child pornography, risk of abuse and / or neglect or human trafficking. They provide comprehensive, coordinated and compassionate services to child victims of abuse. Use your Lenten offering envelopes to give to this cause and help these children.