

Wednesday Evening Midweek Lenten Service

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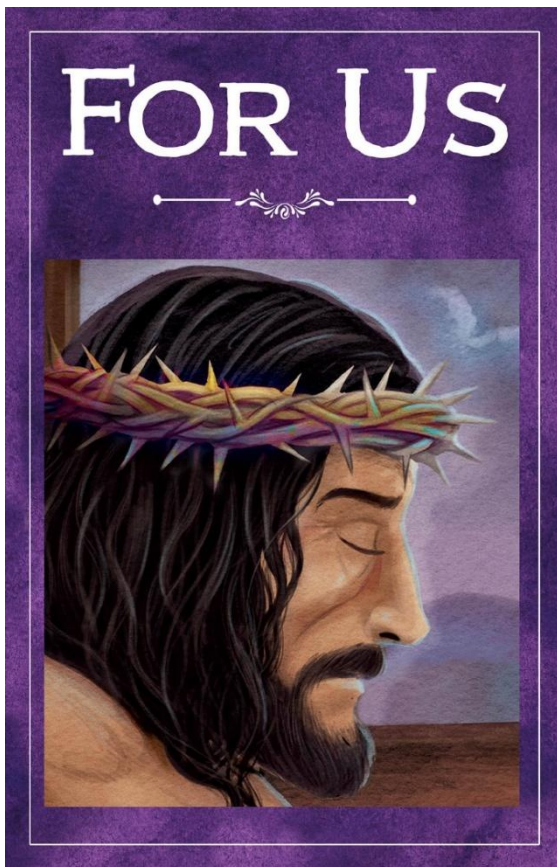
*Jesus' earthly ministry, beginning with His Baptism, was all done for us.
He is the selfless one who always seeks out His beloved ones.*

"O Love, How Deep"

LSB 544

AS WE GATHER

Welcome! God's character, His nature, is self-giving love. Everything Jesus does, He does "for us." This phrase, Pro nobis, or "for us," appears again and again in our series hymn. Jesus is baptized, fasts, is tempted, overcomes temptation, and, in doing so, begins His work of undoing the power of the devil (Mark 1:9–13). It is especially worth noting that because Jesus suffered when tempted, He can "help those who are being tempted" (Hebrews 2:18). He not only helps us in our weakness, but His love for us extends all the way into the grave.



WEEK ONE

The Robe of Human Frame • Examine why Christ came as a human to redeem us as His own.

WEEK TWO

Done for Us • An introduction to the phrase "for us" and how God's nature is self-giving love.

WEEK THREE

For Us He Seeks • See how Jesus seeks us out and looks for ways to help and strengthen us.

WEEK FOUR

Healing from Demons • Hear how Jesus heals a man with a demon and how that work of healing continues today.

WEEK FIVE

For Us Betrayed • Understand how the way of salvation only comes through the path of suffering, and how Christ participates in this suffering with us.

420 Christ, the Life of All the Living *sts. 1, 6–7*

1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
 6 Thou hast suf - fered great af - flic - tion And hast borne it
 7 Then, for all that wrought my par - don, For Thy sor - rows



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
 pa - tient - ly, E - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion,
 deep and sore, For Thine an - guish in the Gar - den,



To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,
 Ful - ly to a - tone for me; Thou didst choose to
 I will thank Thee ev - er - more, Thank Thee for Thy



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
 be tor - ment - ed That my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
 groan - ing, sigh - ing, For Thy bleed - ing and Thy dy - ing,



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
 Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
 For that last tri - um - phant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

Text: Ernst Christoph Homburg, 1605–81; (sts. 1, 7): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.; (st. 6): tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, St. Louis
 Tune: Das grosse Cantional, 1687, Darmstadt
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Invocation

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

C Amen.

422 Opening Sentences

Joel 2:13; Matthew 16:24; Isaiah 53:5, alt.

- P Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
C slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and He relents over disaster.
- P Jesus said, "If anyone would come after Me,
C let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me."
- P Christ was wounded for our transgressions;
C He was crushed for our iniquities.

On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev-er may Your work e-rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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PSALM*Psalm 62:1–6*

- P For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation.
C He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

P How long will all of you attack a man to batter him, like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

C They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.

P They take pleasure in falsehood.

C They bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse.

P For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from Him.

C He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

**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.**

Reading

Hebrews 2:11–18

P A reading from the second chapter of Hebrews.

For He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why He is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying,

C “I will tell of Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing Your praise.”

P And again, “I will put My trust in Him.” And again,

C “Behold, I and the children God has given Me.”

P Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that He helps, but He helps the offspring of Abraham.

C Therefore He had to be made like His brothers in every respect,

P so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because He Himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to help those who are being tempted.

O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:9–13

P A reading from the first chapter of Mark.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when He came up out of the water, immediately He saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on Him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son; with You I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove Him out into the wilderness. ¹³And He was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And He was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to Him.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory

P Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

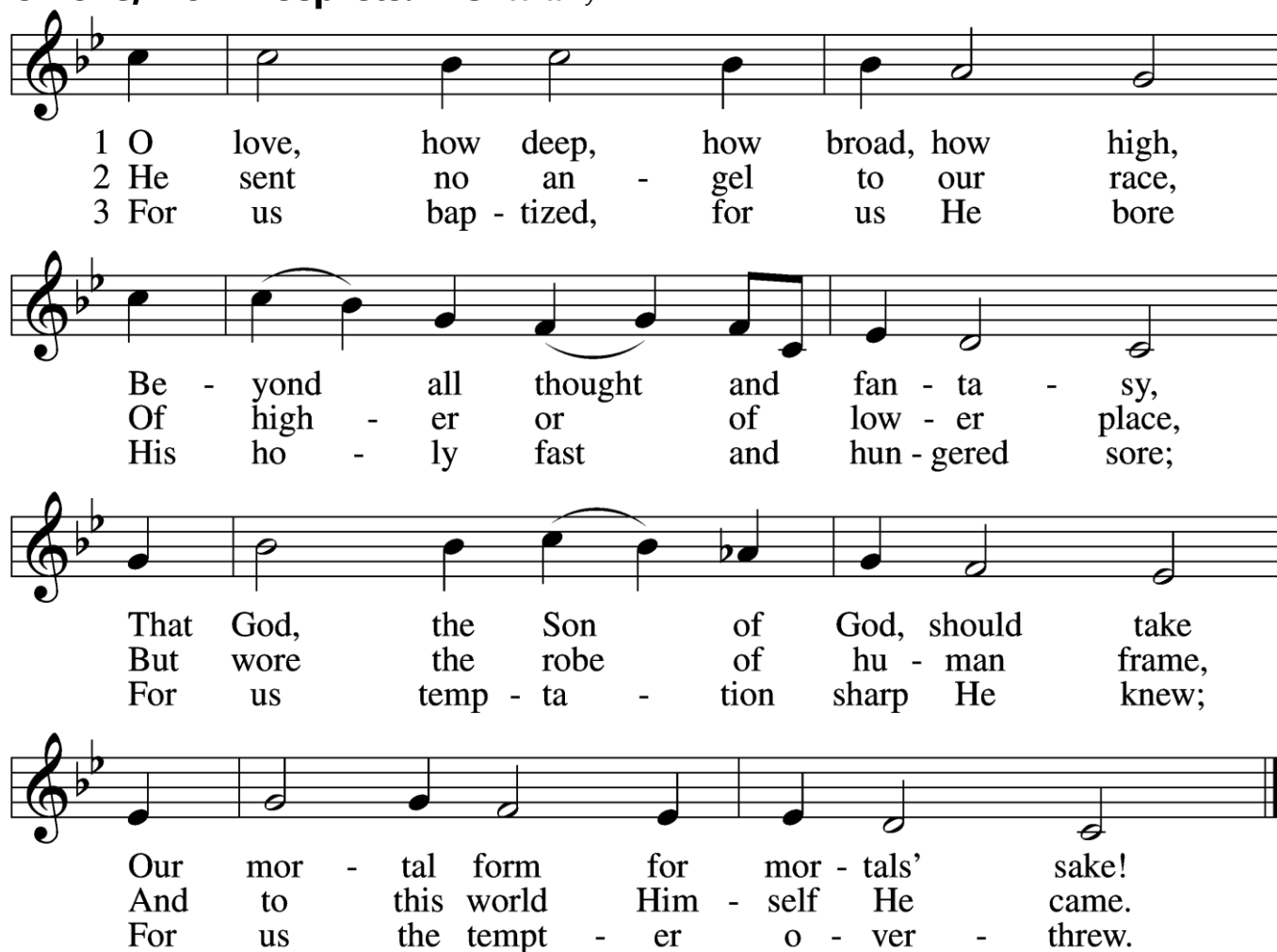
C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

P In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

P Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

C Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

544 O Love, How Deep sts. 1-3 *Series Hymn*


1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
 2 He sent no an - gel to our race,
 3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore

Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
 Of high - er or of low - er place,
 His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;

That God, the Son of God, should take
 But wore the robe of hu - man frame,
 For us temp - ta - tion sharp He knew;

Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 And to this world Him - self He came.
 For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.

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Offering

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**



Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You did not visit this created world to show Your power over it.

C **Rather it was done for us fallen creatures, along with everything You endured and all that You experienced. Grant us such an overwhelming sense of gratitude that we think, speak, and live each day as Your true brothers and sisters.**

P Hear us, Jesus Christ, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Luther's Evening Prayer

C **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C **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.

Benediction

P Our loving Father—whose love is so deep, broad, and beyond all thought—His ✝ Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and the Holy Spirit, go with you now and always.

C Amen.

430 My Song Is Love Unknown *sts. 1–2, 5*



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
 5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
 stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
 way; A mur - der - er they save, The Prince of Life they



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
 know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
 slay. Yet cheer - ful He To suf - f'ring goes



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 Who at my need His life did spend!
 That He His foes From thence might free.

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Where We Serve

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