

Thank you to our pianists: 4:15 - Darci Matzke, 6:30 - Amibeth Olderman.
Thank you also to Pastor Mark Johnston from First German for preaching tonight.

All are invited to join us for a meal between services tonight hosted by our "Grace Circle". Thank you ladies!

Next week's meal is hosted by Jesus' Lambs of Grace staff & families.
The children will sing at the 4:15pm service.

Next week's Theme: "Christ for you...Three Words of Truth - Take Him Away!"
(Guest preacher: Pastor Dan Sims)

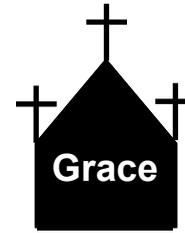
Choir members needed for Easter Season: Would you like to part of a choir that will sing for Holy Week & Easter? Roger Smith will be the director. Starting next week Wed, March 20, there will be short rehearsals between services and after the 6:30pm. These rehearsals continue on Mar 27, Apr 3 & 10. There is a sign up sheet on the Information Table for those that are interested In joining the choir. Roger will determine which services the choir will sing for based on choir members availability.



Maundy Thursday, April 18
6:30pm - with Holy Communion

Good Friday, April 19
1:30 & 6:30pm - with Holy Communion at 6:30pm ONLY

Easter Sunday, April 21
8:00 & 10:45am
Easter Breakfast & Egg Hunt between services



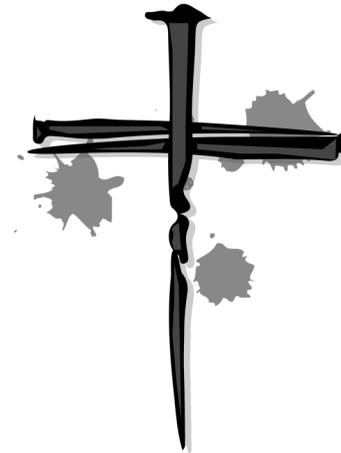
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Christ for You!

Three Words



of

TRUTH

"Watch and Pray"



March 13, 2019

Christ For Me...Three Words of Truth... “Watch and Pray”

Opening Hymn #595: “Before the Ending of the Day”

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. Though you warn me about Satan, the roaring lion who rages for my eternal destruction, I all too often fail to call on you in times of temptation or to arm myself with your precious Word of Truth. I am constantly being lulled to spiritual sleep by the fallen world around me and my own sinful nature and, in my weakness, am beset with fear and doubt.

C: O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus’ sake.

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Prayer

M: Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Psalm #40 (page 45 in the supplement)

Psalm Prayer

M: Lord God, our Help and our Deliverer, we thank you for lifting us out of the mud and mire, and for setting our feet upon the Rock, our Lord Jesus Christ, who carried out your will and rose to live and rule with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Passion Reading #2 (See yellow insert)

Seasonal Response

 (spoken by Pastor)

All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

Hymn #104: “Go to Dark Gethsemane”

Sermon Text: Matthew 26:35-41

³⁵ But Peter declared, “Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.” And all the other disciples said the same.

³⁶ Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” ³⁷ He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. ³⁸ Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

³⁹ Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

⁴⁰ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Couldn’t you men keep watch with me for one hour?” he asked Peter. ⁴¹ “Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Sermon Theme: “Watch and Pray”

Offering ***During this time we ask that everyone sign our Friendship Register***

Prayers

Lord’s Prayer

Evening Prayer

M: O God our Father, by your mercy and might, the world turns safely into darkness and returns again to light. We place into your hands our unfinished tasks, our unsolved problems, and our unfulfilled hopes, knowing that only what you bless will prosper. To your great love and protection, we commit each other and all those we love, knowing that you alone are our sure defender; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Blessing

M: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, † and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn #472: “Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray”