

**LENT EVENING BULLETIN, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent, March 20**  
**The Lamb of God Who Suffered Scorn**

(P: pastor; C: congregation)

**PSALM 22: (1-19)**

*(the pastor and congregation recite the psalm responsively)*

**P**<sup>1</sup> My God, my God,  
why have you forsaken me?  
Why are you so far from saving me,  
from the words of my groaning?<sup>2</sup>

**C**<sup>2</sup> **O my God, I cry by day,  
but you do not answer,  
and by night, but I find no rest.**

**P**<sup>3</sup> Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**C**<sup>4</sup> **In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

**P**<sup>5</sup> To you they cried and were rescued; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

**C**<sup>6</sup> **But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**

**P**<sup>7</sup> All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

**C**<sup>8</sup> **"He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"**

**P**<sup>9</sup> Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.

**C**<sup>10</sup> **On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God.**

**P**<sup>11</sup> Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

**C**<sup>12</sup> **Many bulls encompass me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**

**P**<sup>13</sup> they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.

**C**<sup>14</sup> **I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;**

**P**<sup>15</sup> my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

**C**<sup>16</sup> **For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet—**

**P**<sup>17</sup> I can count all my bones-- they stare and gloat over me;

**C**<sup>18</sup> **they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.**

## PSALM PRAYER

**P:** Let us pray. Father, when your Son was handed over to torture and felt abandoned by you, he cried out from the cross. Then death was destroyed, and life was restored. By his death and resurrection save the poor, life up the downtrodden, break the chains of the oppressed, that your Church may sing your praises; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

*All sit*

### FIRST LESSON: Psalm 22: 19-31

<sup>19</sup> But you, O LORD, do not be far off! O you my help, come quickly to my aid! <sup>20</sup> Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog! <sup>21</sup> Save me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen! <sup>22</sup> I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you: <sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! <sup>24</sup> For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him. <sup>25</sup> From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him. <sup>26</sup> The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever! <sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you. <sup>28</sup> For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations. <sup>29</sup> All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive. <sup>30</sup> Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation; <sup>31</sup> they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

**P:** The word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God!**

### SECOND LESSON: Matthew 27: 35-43

And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. <sup>36</sup> Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. <sup>37</sup> And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." <sup>38</sup> Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. <sup>39</sup> And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads <sup>40</sup> and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." <sup>41</sup> So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, <sup>42</sup> "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. <sup>43</sup> He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

**P:** The word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God!**

*All who are able, stand*

Hymn: Lamb of God, Pure and Holy - LSB 434



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,



Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.



All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!  
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!  
Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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**SERMON**

**PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS**

**P:** Lord Jesus, though ruthless Pontius Pilate declared Your innocence before the crowds, You who knew no sin became sin for us. Grant that the shame You bore for us on the cross give us the greatest honor so that we might always see that only in suffering can we behold who You truly are, our glorious King and Savior; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**P:** Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen**

**BENEDICTION**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen**

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