

**DEVOTIONAL SERVICE: WEDNESDAY—MARCH 10, 2021—VESPERS—P. 229**

**Hymn: LSB: 439—“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken” v. 1,2**

1. “O dearest Jesus, what law hast thou broken That such sharp sentence should on Thee be spoken? Of what great crime hast Thou to make confession, What dark transgression?”
2. They crown Thy head with thorns, they smite, they scourge Thee; With cruel mockings to the cross they urge Thee;  
They give Thee gall to drink, they still decry Thee; They crucify Thee.”

**P:** O Lord, open my lips. **C:** and my mouth will declare Your praise.

**P:** Make haste, O god, to deliver me. **C:** make haste to help me, O Lord.

**All: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. All: Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.**

**--Ps. 36: together:**

1. Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in his heart; there is no fear of God before his eyes. 2. For he flatters himself in his own eyes, that his iniquity cannot be found out and hated. 3. The words of his mouth are trouble and deceit; he has ceased to act wisely and do good. 4. He plots trouble while on his bed; he sets himself up in a way that is not good; he does not reject evil. 5. Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens; Your faithfulness to the clouds. 6. Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; Your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast You save, O lord. 7. How precious is Your steadfast love, O God. The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of Your wings. 8. They feast on the abundance of Your house, and You give them drink from the river of Your delights. 9. For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light do we see light. 10. Oh, continue Your steadfast love to those who know You, and Your righteousness to the upright of heart! 11. Let not the foot of arrogance come upon me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. 12. There the evildoers lie fallen; they are thrust down, unable to rise. **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.**

**--Readings:** Jer. 31: 31-34

Heb. 5: 7-9

John 12: 20-35

**--Responsory for Lent:**

**P:** Deliver me, O Lord my God, for You are the God of my salvation----**C: Response**—below

**P:** In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God----**C: Response**

**P:** Deliver me, o Lord my God, for You are the God of my salvation---**C: Response**

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

**--Devotion: Matt. 26: 57 ff “Jesus on Trial—Pt. I”**

**--Apostle’s Creed.**

**--Kyrie—All: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy. ---- The Lord’s Prayer.**

**--P:** The Lord be with you. **C:** And with your spirit.

**--Prayers and Collect for Peace—All: O God, from Whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**--P:** Let us bless the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God. Benediction.**

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3. Whence come these sorrows, whence this mortal anguish? It is my sins for which Thou Lord, must languish. Yea, all the wrath, the woe, Thou dost inherit, This I do merit.