Redeemer Lutheran Church San Antonio, Texas

April 3, 2022 Fifth Sunday In Lent Responsive Prayer 1: Pgs. 282-284

NOTES: Offerings will not be collected by passing plates. Please place your attendance cards and offering in the plates located by the narthex.

Masks are not required, but you can wear one at your own discretion. There is no specified seating for bible class or worship.

Prelude

The Opening Hymn:

"Christ, the Life of All the Living" – LSB # 420

Invocation: Pg. 282
The Lord's Prayer
The Apostle's Creed

The Readings:

The First Lesson: Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ This is what the LORD says — he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: ¹⁸ "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹ See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. ²⁰ The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, ²¹ the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Second Lesson: Philippians 3:7-14

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ — the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ — yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. 12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. 13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

The Message Hymn:

"My Song Is Love Unknown" – LSB # 430

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 20:9-20

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 20th

chapter.

Congregation: Glory to You, O Lord.

⁹ He went on to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, rented it to some farmers and went away for a long

time. ¹⁰ At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants so they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. 11 He sent another servant, but that one also they beat and treated shamefully and sent away empty-handed. ¹² He sent still a third, and they wounded him and threw him out. 13 "Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my son, whom I love; perhaps they will respect him.' 14 "But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. 'This is the heir,' they said. 'Let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' 15 So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. "What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When the people heard this, they said, "God forbid!" 17 Jesus looked directly at them and asked, "Then what is the meaning of that which is written:

"The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'?

¹⁸ Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed." ¹⁹ The teachers of the law and the chief priests looked for a way to arrest him immediately, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people. ²⁰ Keeping a close watch on him, they sent spies, who pretended to be sincere. They hoped to catch Jesus in something he said, so that they might hand him over to the power and authority of the governor.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Congregation:** Praise to You, O Christ.

The Message:

Summary

Our life and works apart from Christ, no matter how they may glitter to the eyes of the world, are ultimately rubbish and have no righteousness. Rather, in the scandalous cross of



Jesus, we find our righteousness alone "through faith in Christ" (Phil. 3:9-10). By such faith, we "know him and the power of his resurrection".

For the same God who brought Israel out of Egypt has done a "new thing" for us in Christ Jesus (Is. 43:19).

He has sent His beloved Son into His vineyard to be killed by sinful men and to become "the stone that the builders rejected." Yet, the One rejected by men "has become the cornerstone" of His Church, the foundation of our faith (Luke 20:17).

Because Jesus is the Living Water of Life, He provides us daily refreshment in our earthly pilgrimage, "a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert" (Is. 43:19).

Responsive Morning Prayers: Pg. 283
Congregational Prayers
Collect of the Day
Luther's Morning Prayer

Benedicamus and Blessing: Pg. 284

The Closing Hymn:

"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" - LSB # 435

Announcements

Postlude

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