

Lent #5
Self-Control from the Passion of Christ
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Divine Service..... 9:30 a.m.
Bible Study following the Worship Service
Monday Evening Service.....6:30 p.m.

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The Hymn of Invocation: LSB 436, "Go to Dark Gethsemane"



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of
 3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid His



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,
 life ar-raigned; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!
 at His feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,
 breath-less clay; All is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His
 Oh, the pangs His soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"
 Who has tak - en Him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.
 hear Him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

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The Psalm of Trust (Psalm 63)

P: Like a thirsty child reaching for a drink,

C: I grasp for You, O God. And I have found You.

P: I have sensed Your holy presence in the worship service; and in the hour of prayer I have felt You to be near.

C: I realize now that Your love for me is far better than life itself.

P: My heart is full of joy and contentment.

C: My mouth is filled with praises for You.

P: Even the night hours are no longer lonely

C: As I contemplate Your tender concern for me.

P: The enemies of my soul still seek to betray me,

C: But they shall not snatch me out of Your hand.

P: And now that You have found me

C: I shall be secure and happy forever.

The Prayer of Beginnings

P: We make our beginnings in the name of the Triune God:

C: We begin in the name of the Father, the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

P: We begin in the name of the Father:

C: For in Him the world had its beginning, and each day is begun by His governance.

P: We begin in the name of the Son:

C: For in Him a new age began, a new life was given, and a new hope rose out of death.

P: We begin in the name of the Holy Spirit:

C: For in Him we are called, gathered, enlightened, sanctified and sent.

P: And so we begin, for God is the Lord of new beginnings:

**C: Beginning with us! Thanks be to God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit!
Amen.**

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ Drawn from the Four Gospels (Part 4 – The Praetorium)

The Sermon Hymn: LSB 779, "Come, My Soul, with Every Care" (verses 1, 3, 5, 6)



1 Come, my soul, with ev - 'ry care, Je - sus loves to an - swer prayer;
3 With my bur - den I be - gin: Lord, re - move this load of sin;
5 While I am a pil - grim here, Let Thy love my spir - it cheer;
6 Show me what is mine to do; Ev - 'ry hour my strength re - new.



He Him - self has bid thee pray, There - fore will not turn a - way.
Let Thy blood, for sin - ners spilt, Set my con - science free from guilt.
As my guide, my guard, my friend, Lead me to my jour - ney's end.
Let me live a life of faith; Let me die Thy peo - ple's death.

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The Sermon: Matthew 26:69-75, "The Fruit of the Spirit is Self-Control"

The Offering

The Responsive Prayer for Self-Control

P: How often, O Lord, our lives are out of control. Temptations stand in our way, and we lose self-control, for, as St. James says, "Each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

C: Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin; and sin when it is full-grown brings forth death."

P: Our tongues speak before we think; our tongues speak what we think; our tongues speak what should not be spoken; we lose self-control.

C: "The tongue is a fire. The tongue is an

unrighteous world among our members, staining the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.

P: All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind,

C: But no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

P: With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who are made in the likeness of God.

C: From the same mouth come blessing and cursing." Lord, give to us the spirit of self-control.

P: Like Peter, we think we are in control, O Lord. We imagine that because we are Your followers, we can stand on our own.

C: We think that we will not be the one who will lose our tempers, say the hurting word, do the thoughtless, uncontrolled action.

P: And then we are out of control. Things, relationships, standards, values, all fall apart.

C: And we end up in a heap, weeping from inside out, biting our tongues, filled with shame and regret.

P: Look on us, Lord. Take control. Real control, Lord, the control that King David's out-of-control life pleaded for when he prayed:

C: "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and

renew a right spirit within me.”

P: Look on us, Lord. Take control.

C: “Cast me now away from Your presence and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.”

P: Look on us, Lord. Take control, we are not in control. We desire You to be in control of us.

C: Take control of me, O Lord. Give to us the Spirit’s gift of self- control. And then our hearts and minds and tongues and lives will sing in uncontrolled, Spirit-controlled praise to You:

**ALL: “Restore to me the joy of Your salvation; and uphold me with Your free Spirit.”
Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer (All)

The Closing Collect

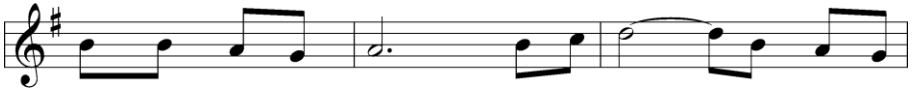
P: Almighty and everlasting God, whose Son has assured forgiveness of sins and deliverance from eternal death, strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that our faith in Christ increase daily and we hold fast the hope that on the last day be raised to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Closing Hymn: LSB 879, “Stay with Us”



1 Stay with us, till night has come: Our praise to
 2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: Hear when our
 3 Walk with us, the road will bend: Make all our
 4 Talk with us, till we be - hold A joy - ful
 5 Stay with us, till day is done: No tears nor



You this day be sung. Bless our bread, O - pen our
 wea - ry spir - its cry, Feel a - gain Our loss, our
 weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears, For - give our
 life You will un - fold: Heal our eyes To see the
 dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, Your grace im -



eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.
 pain: Je - sus, take us to Your side.
 fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.
 prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.
 part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

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