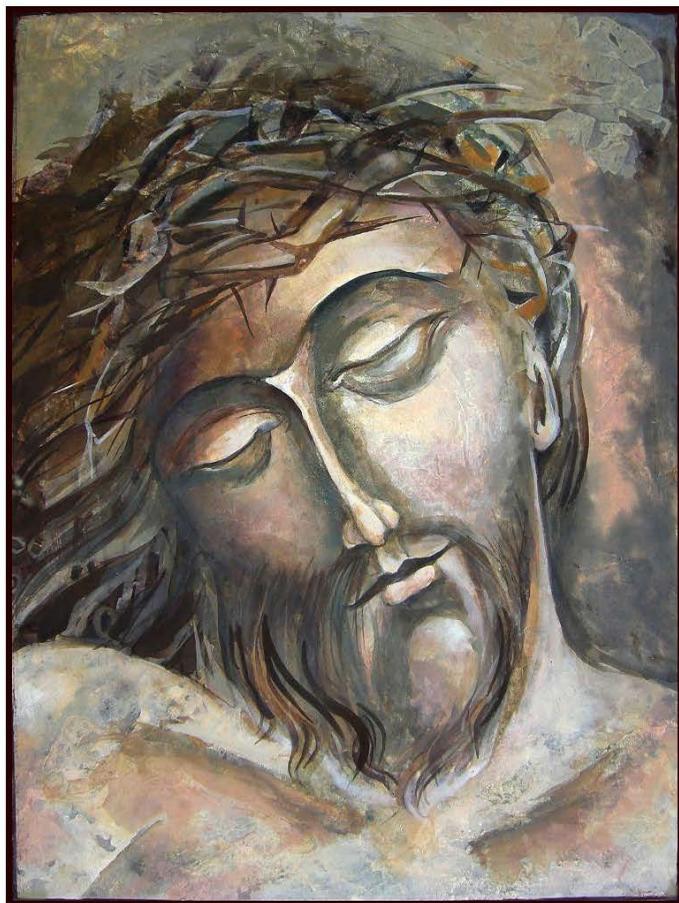


March 15, 2023



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Fourth Wednesday in Lent March 15, 2023

Hymn 404

“Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

Please stand

Invocation

Jesus Christ is the light of the world,
the light no darkness can overcome.

Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,
and the day is almost over.

Be our light and scatter the darkness,
and hear our evening prayer and praise.

Congregation Responds 785 “Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory”

Please be seated

Psalm 32C

Be Glad, You Righteous Ones; Rejoice

Refrain

Be glad, you right - eous ones; re - joice!

Trust in the LORD and sing for joy.

Tone

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are for- / given,
whose / sins are covered.
Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count a- / gainst them
and in whose spirit is / no deceit.

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When I kept silent, my bones wast- / ed away
through my groaning / all day long.

For day and night your hand was heav- / y on me;
my strength was sapped as in the heat of / summer.

Then I acknowledged my / sin to you
and did not cover up my in- / iquity.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions / to the LORD."
And you forgave the guilt / of my sin. *Refrain*

You are my / hiding place;
you will protect / me from trouble.

Many are the woes of the / wicked,
but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the one who / trusts in him.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the / Holy Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain**

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Reading of the Passion History

Matthew 26:57–75

Jesus' First Trial in the Sanhedrin and Peter Denies Jesus

P=Pastor

M=Men

W=Women

P: Those who had arrested Jesus led him away to Caiaphas, the high priest, where the experts in the law and the elders were assembled. Peter was following him at a distance and went as far as the courtyard of the high priest. He went inside and sat down with the guards to see how it would turn out.

W: *The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they could put him to death. They found none, even though many false witnesses came forward. Finally, two came forward and said, “This fellow said, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.’”*

M: The high priest stood up and said to him, “Have you no answer? What is this that these men are testifying against you?” But Jesus remained silent. Then the high priest said to him, “I place you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God!”

P: Jesus said to him, “It is as you have said. But I tell you, soon you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of power and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

M: Then the high priest tore his robes and said, “He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? See, you have just heard the blasphemy! What do you think?” They answered, “He is deserving of death!” Then they spit in his face and punched him. Some slapped him and said, “Prophecy to us, Christ! Who hit you?”

W: *Meanwhile Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant girl came to him and said, “You were also with Jesus the Galilean.”*

P: But he denied it in front of everyone, saying, “I don’t know what you’re talking about.”

W: When Peter went out to the entryway, someone else saw him and said to those who were there, “This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth.”

P: Again Peter denied it with an oath and said, “I do not know the man.”

W: After a little while those who stood by came and said to Peter, “Surely you are also one of them because even your accent gives you away.”

M: Then he began to curse and to swear, “I do not know the man!” Just then the rooster crowed. And Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken, “Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times.” And he went outside and wept bitterly.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 798

“I Lay My Sins on Jesus”

Sermon

Isaiah 53:4-6 EHV

A Healing Servant... A Forgiving Servant

Please stand

Lord, Have Mercy

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Prayer for Peace

Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies, that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Let us praise the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Blessing

The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Please be seated

Hymn 432

“O dearest Jesus, What Law Have You Broken”

No formal offering will be taken today. If you wish to give a gift to St. John's, please deposit it in an offering plate in the narthex. Thank you!

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