



THE MARK OF MOCKERY
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Seymour, Indiana

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Welcome to Worship! Our midweek services are looking at the marks of Jesus's suffering for us. Tonight, we look at the Mark of Mockery. Sadly, we live in a time when mocking others is commonplace. Jesus understands. God's Word show not only who mocked Him, but how His response affects us, too.

Cell Phones: *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

Large Print bulletins and Hearing devices are available from an usher.

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THE PRELUDE: 4:30 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

7:00 "Voluntary 1" - J. Stanley

THE HYMN: "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"

Hymn 423

- 1 Jesus, refuge of the weary, Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above:
Often have Your eyes, offended, Gazed upon the sinner's fall;
Yet upon the cross extended, You have borne the pain of all.
- 2 Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see You wounded, bleeding, See Your thorn-encircled brow?
Yet Your sinless death has brought us Life eternal, peace, and rest;
Only what Your grace has taught us Calms the sinner's deep distress.
- 3 Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for You;
May our eyes be ever turning To behold Your cross anew
Till in glory, parted never From the blessed Savior's side,
Graven in our hearts forever, Dwell the cross, the Crucified.

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THE RESPONSES: Page 229

Versicles

L O Lord, open my lips,

C **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

C **make haste to help me, O Lord.**

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

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 20:7-18

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, who tests

the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers. Cursed be the day on which I was born! The day when my mother bore me, let it not be blessed! Cursed be the man who brought the news to my father, "A son is born to you," making him very glad. Let that man be like the cities that the LORD overthrew without pity; let him hear a cry in the morning and an alarm at noon, because he did not kill me in the womb; so my mother would have been my grave, and her womb forever great. Why did I come out from the womb to see toil and sorrow, and spend my days in shame?
L: O Lord, have mercy on us. C: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: 1 Peter 2:13-25

Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. 17Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor. Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us. C: Thanks be to God.

THE ANTHEM: 4:30 "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"
7:00 "My Song is Love Unknown"

THE GOSPEL: Mark 15: 16-20

And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.
L: O Lord, have mercy on us. C: Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORY FOR LENT: Page 231

L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.
C **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**
L In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.
C **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**
L Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.
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THE HYMN: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Hymn 426

1 When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all my pride.
2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

- 3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all!

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THE SERMON: "The Mark of Mockery"

THE KYRIE, LORD'S PRAYER, COLLECTS, BENEDICTION Page 233-234

Kyrie

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

- C 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.

THE CLOSING HYMN: "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

Hymn 444

- 1 No tramp of soldiers' marching feet With banners and with drums,
No sound of music's martial beat: "The King of glory comes!"
To greet what pomp of kingly pride No bells in triumph ring,
No city gates swing open wide: "Behold, behold your King!"
- 2 And yet He comes. The children cheer; With palms His path is strown.
With ev'ry step the cross draws near: The King of glory's throne.
Astride a colt He passes by As loud hosannas ring,
Or else the very stones would cry "Behold, behold your King!"
- 3 What fading flow'rs His road adorn; The palms, how soon laid down!
No bloom or leaf but only thorn The King of glory's crown.
The soldiers mock, the rabble cries, The streets with tumult ring,
As Pilate to the mob replies, "Behold, behold your King!"
- 4 Now He who bore for mortals' sake The cross and all its pains
And chose a servant's form to take, The King of glory reigns.
Hosanna to the Savior's name Till heaven's rafters ring,
And all the ransomed host proclaim "Behold, behold your King!"

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THE POSTLUDE: "All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night" - P. Manz

Preacher: Pastor Blumenberg **Liturgist:** Pastor Rodriguez and Pastor Bloch
Lector: Vicar Fredstrom **Organist:** Mr. Paul Scheiderer
Special Music: 4:30 Children's Choir 7:00 Woodwind Ensemble

4:30 pm Audio: Jay Hubbard

7:00 pm Ushers: Kurt Fenneberg, Brent Kilgas, Ben Thompson, Brian Burbrink, Baron Bullard, Dale VonDielingen, Greg Wehmiller, Roger Wehmiller, Mitchell Kilgas, Will Borcharding, Dustin Nichols, Tony Combs, Gary Schneider, Jay Hubbard, Daniel Luecke, Jed Strange **Counting:** Jerrell Hubbard, Max Siefker, Kyle Stanfield, Rick Zscheidrich, Greg Prange, Grant Hubbard **Acolyte:** Lance Hubbard **Audio/Video:** Kevin Foster

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+ IMMANUEL MIDWEEK SERVICES +

WEDNESDAYS, 4:30 & 7:00 P.M.

3-24 The Mark of ABANDONMENT

3-28 Palm Sunday-- The Mark of HUMILITY

4-1 Maundy Thursday The Mark of SERVICE

Communion 4:30 and 7; stripping of the altar

4-2 Good Friday-- The Mark of BLOOD

Noontime, 12:15;

Children 4:30;

Tenebrae 7:30

4-4 Easter--The Mark of LIFE! Sunday 6:30, 9, 11:15; Monday at 7

Lenten items for children and other devotions for Lent are available in the Narthex and Atrium.

LENTEN MISSION PROJECTS – SHARING HIS FREEDOM!

Lent is a wonderful time to share the freedom Christ brings with others. As we "give something up for Lent," we can identify with Jesus, "who emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant" (Philippians 2). We encourage you to save up pocket change, or give up a meal out each week, to help us support:

- Concordia Seminary, helping train and send pastors and missionaries.
- Bethania, sharing Christ with orphans in India and providing also for their physical needs. **Coin boxes are available to help with these missions. Parents, we encourage you to help your child help a child!**