

that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. ⁴Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” ⁶And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ ⁸And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. ⁹Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to You O Christ

HYMN May God Bestow on Us His Grace **LSB 823**

SERMON “Mixed Emotions” *Luke 13:1-9*

NICENE CREED **LSB 158**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each Petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy

-OR-

P Let us pray to the Lord

C Hear our prayer

C Lord, have mercy

After the final Petition:

P...who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

OFFERING Intermezzo H. Schroeder

OFFERTORY **LSB 159-160**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT **LSB 160 and following**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“As Surely as I Live,” God Said **LSB 614**
 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross **LSB 426**
 The Law of God Is Good and Wise **LSB 579**
 Jesus Sinners Doth Receive **LSB 609**

NUNC DIMITTIS **LSB 165**

CLOSING HYMN Comfort, Comfort Ye My People **LSB 347**

POSTLUDE In the Cross W. Held

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Divine Service Setting I-The Third Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 6, 2010
 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 7, 2010
 9:00 am

† The Sacrament of the Altar: is celebrated today in the confidence that our Lord gives us His very body and blood to eat and drink in, with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our union with Him and one another. As we trust His words and repent of all sin, we proclaim His death until He returns. Since this act is a confession of our faith, anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt, or holds a differing confession is asked first to speak with the Pastor.

† Reminders for Those Coming To the Lord's Table....

1. Children (those not yet receiving the Sacrament) are encouraged to approach the Lord's Table with their parent(s), in order to receive a blessing.
2. Women with lipstick are kindly asked to remove it prior to partaking from the common cup.
3. The cups in the center of the individual tray (containing the clear liquid) are prepared for those who have a concern for alcohol consumption.
4. The distribution today will be: **at the Rail**

PRELUDE Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow K. Hildebrand

HYMN Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow **LSB 428**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION **LSB 151**

INTROIT *Ps. 5:4–8; antiphon: Ps. 1:6*

- P** For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
 but the way of the wicked will perish.
- C** For you are not a God who delights in wickedness;
 evil may not dwell with you.
- P** The boastful shall not stand before your eyes;
 you hate all evildoers.
- C** You destroy those who speak lies;
 the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.
- P** But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.
 I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.
- C** Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies;
 make your way straight before me.

ALL: 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.

P For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

KYRIE

LSB 152

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 154

COLLECT

P O God whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 33:7–20

⁷“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul. ¹⁰“And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: ‘Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?’ ¹¹Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel? ¹²“And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins. ¹³Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. ¹⁴Again, though I say to the wicked, ‘You shall surely die,’ yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, ¹⁵if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ¹⁶None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live. ¹⁷“Yet your people say, ‘The way of the Lord is not

just,’ when it is their own way that is not just. ¹⁸When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. ¹⁹And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. ²⁰Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways.”

L This is the Word of the Lord

G Thanks be to God

GRADUAL (5:00)

P [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

DAY SCHOOL SINGS (9:00)

Make Me a Servant

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 10:1–13

¹I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. ⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

L This is the Word of the Lord

G Thanks be to God

VERSE

G Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 13:1–9

¹There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²And he answered them, “Do you think