

# For Us



## MIDWEEK *Lenten Service*

**Wednesday, March 11, 2026  
7:00PM**

**West Portal Lutheran Church  
200 Sloat Boulevard  
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415-661-0242**

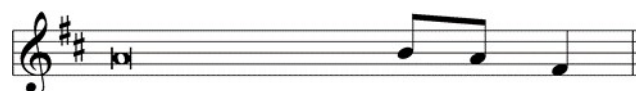
# VESPERS

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*Stand*



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



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



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

**PSALMODY**

**Psalm 80:1-7**

**P** Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock!  
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.

**C** **Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh, stir up Your  
might and come to save us!**

**P** Restore us, O God; let Your face shine, that we may be saved!

**C** **O LORD God of hosts, how long will You be angry with Your  
people's prayers?**

**P** You have fed them with the bread of tears and given them tears to  
drink in full measure.

**C** **You make us an object of contention for our neighbors, and our  
enemies laugh among themselves.**

**P** Restore us, O God of hosts; let Your face shine, that we may be  
saved!

**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.**

*Sit*

**HYMN**

*Love, How Deep*

*LSB 544*

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
Beyond all thought and fantasy,  
That God, the Son of God, should take  
Our mortal form for mortals' sake!
- 2 He sent no angel to our race,  
Of higher or of lower place,  
But wore the robe of human frame,  
And to this world Himself He came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us He bore  
His holy fast and hungered sore;  
For us temptation sharp He knew;  
For us the tempter overthrew.

- 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;  
For us His daily works He wrought,  
By words and signs and actions thus  
Still seeking not Himself but us.
- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,  
For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,  
He bore the shameful cross and death;  
For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again;  
For us He went on high to reign;  
For us He sent His Spirit here  
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

*Stand*

- △ 7 All glory to our Lord and God  
For love so deep, so high, so broad;  
The Trinity whom we adore  
Forever and forevermore.

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*Sit*

**READING**

**Mark 1:35-39**

**L** A reading from Mark, the first chapter.

And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, “Everyone is looking for you.” And he said to them, “Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out.” And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**READING**

**Mark 14:53-15:5**

**L** A reading from Mark, the 14th and 15th chapters. .

And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire. Now the chief

priests and the whole Council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none. For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'" Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" And Jesus said, "I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." And the high priest tore his garments and said, "What further witnesses do we need? You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?" And they all condemned him as deserving death. And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophesy!" And the guards received him with blows.

And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, "You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus." But he denied it, saying, "I neither know nor understand what you mean." And he went out into the gateway and the rooster crowed. And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean." But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know this man of whom you speak." And immediately the rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole Council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." And the chief priests accused him of many things. And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

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



## PRAYER

### KYRIE



### 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

### COLLECTS



### COLLECT OF THE DAY

**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.



## COLLECT OF PEACE

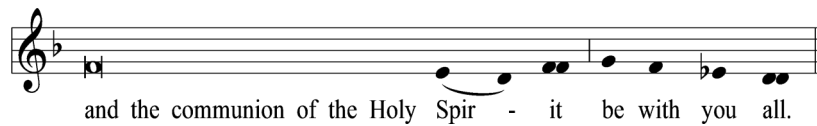
**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## BENEDICAMUS



## BENEDICTION



**HYMN**

***O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace***

***LSB 693***

- 1 O Holy Spirit, grant us grace  
That we our Lord and Savior  
In faith and fervent love embrace  
And truly serve Him ever.  
The hour of death cannot bring loss  
When we are sheltered by the cross  
That canceled our transgressions.
  
- 2 Help us that we Thy saving Word  
In faithful hearts may treasure;  
Let e'er that Bread of Life afford  
New grace in richest measure.  
O make us die to ev'ry sin,  
Each day create new life within,  
That fruits of faith may flourish.
  
- 3 And when our earthly race is run,  
Death's bitter hour impending,  
Then may Thy work in us begun  
Continue till life's ending,  
Until we gladly may commend  
Our souls into our Savior's hand,  
The crown of life obtaining.

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## SERVING YOU TODAY

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*Rebecca Chan, Darlene Hartman*

**WELCOME!** A cordial welcome is extended to all who have come to worship with us today. May God's loving presence fill us with joy and hope as we prepare ourselves to follow Christ. If you are a guest or visitor with us, please be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Swenson and sign our guest book. We look forward to having you worship with us again.

**LENTEN SACRIFICIAL OFFERING FOLDERS** are available on the Narthex table. Please feel free to take one. This year's offerings will be used for the ministries of Christ's Kingdom here at West Portal.

**HELP YOURSELF TO** Lenten Devotional Booklets that are available in the Narthex.

## Lenten Midweek Services continue on Wednesdays

This year's Lenten emphasis is to look at our lives in view of God's amazing grace toward us through the sacrifice of His Son for us on the cross. Our six Midweek Lenten Services began on Ash Wednesday, February 18, at 8:30AM and 7:00PM.

We invite you to join us at each of the following Wednesday services at 7PM as we continue with the Lenten theme: "For us".



**Lenten Midweek 4, March 18**  
**7PM**

**"Healing from Demons"**  
Mark 5:1-13

**Lenten Midweek 5, March 25**  
**7PM**

**"For Us Betrayed"**  
Mark 8:31-9:1

# HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<b>Palm Sunday Services</b>	<b>March 29</b>
10:00AM Worship-Lord's Supper	
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	<b>April 2</b>
7:00PM Worship-Lord's Supper	
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>April 3</b>
8:30AM Sunset Campus Chapel	
11:15AM Sloat Campus Chapel	
7:00PM Tenebrae Service	
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	<b>April 4</b>
5:00PM Easter Vigil	
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>April 5</b>
10:00AM Worship-Lord's Supper	
Easter Brunch following Worship Service	
Easter Egg Hunt on the church lawn following the Brunch	

**Everyone is welcome to attend all Services  
and to join us at the Easter Brunch.**

If attending the Easter Brunch and/or Egg Hunt, please kindly  
RSVP by Sunday, **March 29th** with the names and number of  
adults & children attending to May Luu by email or voicemail at  
*May.luu@wplsf.com*  
415-661-0242, ext. 221

*(Each child should bring his/her own personal Easter Basket.)  
For more information, please contact the Church Office at  
415-661-0242*



**Worship Services**

Saturday, 5:00PM  
Sunday, 10:00AM

**Bible Classes**

Wednesday, 11:00AM  
Sunday, 9:00AM

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