Welcome to Our Midweek Vespers Service for the Passion Season

Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC

Preservice Meditation: Psalm 143

OPENING HYMN

(see weekly service info on the back cover)

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

RESPONSIVE OPENING

The Lord Almighty grant a quiet night and peace at the last. Amen.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord

To sing praise to Your Name, O Most High;

To herald Your love in the morning,

Your truth at the close of the day.

Jesus remember me when You come into Your kingdom.

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Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Holy and gracious God, I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know the thoughts, words, and deeds of which I am ashamed but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ,

forgive me. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.

You are redeemed by the mercy of God in Jesus Christ. For His sake, Your sins are forgiven. Rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.

♬ Sing (LSB 440:1)

Jesus, I will ponder now On Thy holy Passion;
With Thy Spirit me endow For such meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish
Of Thy suffering, pain, and death, That I may not perish.

₱ PASSION HISTORY READING

"My Song Is Love Unknown"



† SERMON †

RESPONSE

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

But you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

HYMN (see weekly service info)

OFFERING

PRAYER: In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen. I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me today, and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins wherever I have done wrong, and graciously protect me tonight. Into Your hands I entrust my body and soul and everything else. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the devil may have no power over me. Amen.



(For Ash Wednesday Comm. Liturgy: SEE NEXT PAGE)

CLOSING RESPONSE

(2 Corinthians 12:9-10 ESV)

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you,
for my power is made perfect in weakness."

Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses,
so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses,
insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities.

For when I am weak, then I am strong.

BENEDICTION

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. **Amen.**

₽ Sing <u>x2</u> (WS 724):

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom. Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom.