

**AS WE GATHER**

“And lead us not into temptation.” We pray this petition every time we pray the prayer our Lord taught us. Temptation around us is real, constant, and a continual danger to our lives on earth and our lives of faith. Of all the deadly sins we are tempted with, anger seems one of the easiest. As we face temptation each day, we also pray for patience, knowing through it all that Jesus is the perfect fulfillment of faithfulness taking on, and perfectly resisting, every temptation for us.

**Gathering Song I Lay My Sins on Jesus LSB 606**

**Welcome & Invocation**

Pastor Dave Dukovan

**Opening Song Be Still, My Soul LSB 752**



1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; Bear pa - tient-  
 2 Be still, my soul; your God will un - der - take To guide the  
 3 Be still, my soul; though dear - est friends de - part And all is  
 4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has - t'ning on When we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; Leave to your God to or - der  
 fu - ture as He has the past. Your hope, your con - fi - dence let  
 dark - ened in this vale of tears; Then you will bet - ter know His  
 be for - ev - er with the Lord, When dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and



and pro - vide; In ev - 'ry change He faith - ful will re -  
 noth - ing shake; All now mys - te - rious shall be bright at  
 love, His heart, Who comes to soothe your sor - rows and your  
 fear are gone, Sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re -



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n - ly Friend  
 last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
 fears. Be still, my soul; your Je - sus can re - pay  
 stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



Through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
 His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be - low.  
 From His own full - ness all He takes a - way.  
 All safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

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**Confession and Forgiveness Based on Psalm 51**

Pastor: We join in King David's prayer of confession in Psalm 51:  
 Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your unwavering love;  
**People: according to Your abundant mercy blot out my offenses.**  
 Pastor: Wash me thoroughly from my immoral behavior,  
**People: and cleanse me from my sin!**  
 Pastor: For I know the evil within me,

**People:** and my sin is ever before me.

Pastor: Against You have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight,

**People:** may You be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgment.

Pastor: Purge me, and I shall be clean;

**People:** wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Pastor: Let me hear joy and gladness;

**People:** let the bones that You have broken rejoice.

Pastor: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**People:** and renew a right spirit within me.

Pastor: Cast me not away from Your presence,

**People:** and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

Pastor: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

**People:** and uphold me with a willing spirit.

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**People:** I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my friends and family, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; and I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

### **Prayer of the Day**

Pastor: Almighty God, give us Your grace and Spirit that we may be faithful before temptation, that we may be able to stand strong in the face of evil, and against the schemes of the devil. Deliver us from our slavery to sin through the forgiveness You offer, so that we can serve You faithfully all our life, this we pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

### **Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 53*

*(The Suffering Servant takes sin upon Himself.)*

<sup>1</sup>Who has believed what they heard from us?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

<sup>2</sup>For he grew up before him like a young plant,  
and like a root out of dry ground;

he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,  
and no beauty that we should desire him.

<sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by men;  
a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;  
and as one from whom men hide their faces  
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our griefs  
and carried our sorrows;  
yet we esteemed him stricken,  
smitten by God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions;  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,  
and with his stripes we are healed.  
<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned every one to his own way;  
and the LORD has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.  
<sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
yet he opened not his mouth;  
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,  
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,  
so he opened not his mouth.  
<sup>8</sup>By oppression and judgment he was taken away;  
and as for his generation, who considered  
that he was cut off out of the land of the living,  
stricken for the transgression of my people?  
<sup>9</sup>And they made his grave with the wicked  
and with a rich man in his death,  
although he had done no violence,  
and there was no deceit in his mouth.  
<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;  
he has put him to grief;  
when his soul makes an offering for sin,  
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;  
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.  
<sup>11</sup>Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;  
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,  
make many to be accounted righteous,  
and he shall bear their iniquities.  
<sup>12</sup>Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,  
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,  
because he poured out his soul to death  
and was numbered with the transgressors;  
yet he bore the sin of many,  
and makes intercession for the transgressors.

Pastor: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle Reading**

*(The Devil Roams Like a Lion)*

*1 Peter 5:8–11*

<sup>8</sup>Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading**

John 1:29–34

*(The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world)*

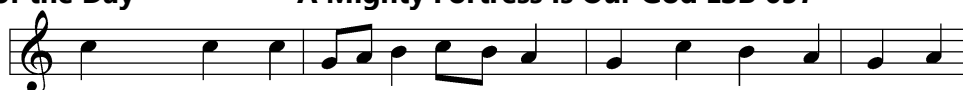
<sup>29</sup>The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup>And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Song of the Day**

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God LSB 657**



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat -'ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -  
vour us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not  
fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons



va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to  
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of  
o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle  
of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,



work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He  
hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's  
we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's  
child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They



arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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**An Excerpt from C.S. Lewis' *The Screwtape Letters***

**Sermon**

Pastor Dave Dukovan

### **Creed - Sixth and Seventh Petition of the Lord's Prayer**

Pastor: In the Lord's Prayer, we pray in the Sixth Petition:

**People: And lead us not into temptation.**

Pastor: What does this mean?

**People: God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.**

Pastor: We also pray in the Seventh Petition:

**People: But deliver us from evil.**

Pastor: What does this mean?

**People: We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.**

### **Prayers of the Church Litany of Repentance**

Pastor: O Lord, You call sinners to repentance,

**People: call us still that we may yet answer.**

Pastor: Lord, so many of us have hardened our hearts,

**People: soften the hearts of all who are not sorry for their sin.**

Pastor: You who met our doubts with mercy,

**People: deal gently with those who can scarcely believe.**

Pastor: You who have been tempted by Satan himself,

**People: give us courage in the face of temptation, strength in time of rest, and hope in despair.**

Pastor: You who called out many demons,

**People: set free today all who are victims of their lies and distractions.**

Pastor: You who healed the sick,

**People: grant us healing according to Your will, and patience to endure our afflictions.**

Pastor: You who made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak,

**People: open deaf ears to the voice of Your Word and loosen our tongues to confess.**

Pastor: You who prayed for those who crucified You,

**People: look in compassion upon those who persecute Your Church.**

Pastor: You who came to save Your people from their sins,

**People: save us, O Lord, who put our trust in You.**

Pastor: You who raised the dead to life,

**People: enliven our souls by Your Holy Spirit to lives of faith.**

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People: Save us, O Lord, for the sake of Your name.**

Pastor: O Lord, Hear us now on behalf of those in our congregation and all who stand in need:

***Local concerns are added by congregational elder here.***

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

### **Sharing God's Peace**

**Offering On My Heart Imprint Your Image LSB 422**

On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,  
 That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-raise;  
 Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,  
 Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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### Presentation of Gifts

**Pastor:** Heavenly Father, You are the giver of all good things, and Your Word makes clear that every good and perfect gift comes from You. We ask that You accept these gifts back unto Yourself and use them to Your glory. [*Psalm 145:15, James 1:17*]

**People:** **Amen.**

### Holy Communion

#### Preface

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you. [*2 Timothy 4:22*]

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts. [*Colossians 3:1*]

**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [*Psalm 136*]

**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**The Words of Our Lord** [*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*]

#### Proclamation of Christ

**Pastor:** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. [*1 Cor.11:26*]

**People:** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** [*Revelation 22:20*]

#### Lord's Prayer

[*Matthew 6:9–13*]

**Pastor:** Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**People:** **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.**

#### Distribution

***I Lay My Sins on Jesus LSB 606***

**The Lamb LSB 547**

1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?  
 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.  
 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill  
 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.  
 5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.

Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!  
 The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.  
 So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.  
 He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.  
 His song pro - long Till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

*Refrain*

Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His  
 own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!

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**Benediction** [Numbers 6:24-26]

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you.  
 The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The LORD look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

People: Amen.

**Sending Song** Abide with Me LSB 878 1, 2, 4, 5

1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
 2 I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;  
 4 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;  
 5 I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.  
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?  
 Earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;  
 Ills have no weight and tears no bit - ter - ness.

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?  
 Change and de - cay in all a - round I see;  
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?

Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.  
 O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.  
 I tri - umph still if Thou a - bide with me!

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