SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAISE

4th Week after Pentecost

Commemoration of Elisha

Gathering Music

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Prayer Song

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Please sing as able or meditate on the words

Wonderful, merciful Savior. Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men
Oh, You rescue the souls of men

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper. Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way

You are the One that we praise. You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for

Almighty, infinite Father. Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne
Oh, we’re falling before Your throne

You are the One that we praise. You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for

Confession and Announcement of Forgiveness
L: Friends, we are broken and sinful. Please take some time in silence to
reflect on your sinfulness before God.

Silence for personal confession

L: Friends, do you acknowledge that you are sinful and broken before God?
If so, say “Yes”
C: Yes.
L: Do you believe that Jesus came to earth, died for you to pay for your sins, and rose in victory over sin death and the devil? If so, say “Yes”
C: Yes.

L: Then hear the good news! In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

L: Let us stand and give thanks to God in our next song.

*Response Song*  
*Man of Sorrows*

*Please sing as able or meditate on the words*

Man of sorrows, Lamb of God, by His own betrayed  
The sin of man and wrath of God has been on Jesus laid

Silent as He stood accused; beaten, mocked and scorned  
Bowing to the Father's will He took a crown of thorns

Oh, that rugged cross, my salvation, where Your love poured out over me  
Now my soul cries out hallelujah, praise and honor unto Thee

Sent of heaven, God's own Son, to purchase and redeem  
And reconcile the very ones who nailed Him to that tree

Oh, that rugged cross, my salvation,  
where Your love poured out over me  
Now my soul cries out hallelujah, praise and honor unto Thee

Now my debt is paid, it is paid in full,  
by the precious blood that my Jesus spilled  
Now the curse of sin has no hold on me,  
whom the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed
See the stone is rolled away, behold the empty tomb
Hallelujah, God be praised, He’s risen from the grave

Oh, that rugged cross, my salvation,
where Your love poured out over me
Now my soul cries out hallelujah, praise and honor unto Thee

Reading
Homily

Communal Prayers

Communal prayers allow the opportunity for the entire seminary community
individually, and yet as one, to intercede for the church, the world, and all those in
need. The intercessor will begin the prayers with the first three bids on page 265
and then offer additional bids. Then the assembly is invited to offer bids aloud.
Please speak as loudly as possible so that all may hear. The bids are offered in the
following fashion:

Intercessor: For. . . let us pray to the Lord;
Assembly: Lord, have mercy.

Concluding Prayer

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord
to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised
through your most beloved Son that when two or three are
gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them:
Fulfill now, O Lord, these desires and petitions as may be best for
us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the
age to come life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen. (Collect attributed to St. John Chrysostom)

Blessing

Sending Music
SERVANTS OF THE WORD

Rev. Paul Sieveking, Chaplain  Liturgist
Professor Joel Okamoto  Preacher
Scott Brown, John Karolus, Josh Parrish and Joe Pierson,  Musicians
seminarians

FAITH. . . LIVING, DARING CONFIDENCE IN GOD’S GRACE
Concordia Seminary
Chapel of St. Timothy & St. Titus
9:35 am – 14 June 2018

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