

Lent Mid-Week Worship – “Our Crosses”

Stockholm Lutheran Church

March 7, 2018--“The Holding Cross”

We gather for worship as the sun sets and night begins.

The candles remind us that Jesus Christ

is the Light of the world.

** Hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal (“Worship”) **

GATHERING MUSIC

Carol Barnaal

WELCOME

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING

P: Blessed are you, O God, holy and immortal,

**C: For you remember how we are made—as frail as dust,
as fleeting as breath.**

P: By your tender compassion, your Word became flesh and
dwelt among us,

C: that the world might know your love.

P: Be present with us now, we pray. Turn our hearts in trust
toward you and in love toward one another,

**C: For you are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and
rich in love.**

All: Through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” # 697

PRAYER

SONG OF THE WORD “Break Now...Bread of Life” (v. 1-2) # 515

GOSPEL READING Luke 23:24-27a

MESSAGE “The Holding Cross” Rev. Tom Evenson

HYMN “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” # 335

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P: Let the incense of our humble prayer ascend before you, O Lord. Let your loving kindness descend upon us, that with purified hearts and minds we may sing your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host, and may glorify you forever and ever.

C: Amen.

PRAYER SONG “Lord, Listen ...Children Praying” (twice) # 752

PRAYERS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

(Response after petitions: “**C: Hear our prayer.**”)

P: We commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to you, through Christ our Lord.

C: To you, O Lord.

MARTIN LUTHER’S EVENING PRAYER

P: We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected us today. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously to protect us tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us. **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

BENEDICTION

HYMN “Abide with Me” (v. 1, 3, 5) # 629

SENDING MUSIC Carol Barnaal

God’s grace and hope be with you in this period of Lenten discipline growth as you grow in faith in your Lord, and prepare your hearts and homes to remember our Lord’s Passion and his glorious Easter Resurrection.

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THANK YOU

...to Rev. Tom Evenson (First Lutheran, Litchfield) for leading worship this evening!

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Lenten Service
Wednesday, March 7, 2018
7:00 pm