### FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

#### MARCH 30, 2025

# Lent 4C Psalm 51:2–6; antiphon: v. 1

P Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

**C** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

**P** For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

C Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

P Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

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.

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# CATECHISM

#### The First Article

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

#### What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

## LEARN BY HEART

2 Corinthians 9:7

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

## COLLECT

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Readings for Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:(4b-7) 8-14; Luke 20:9-

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER

# INVOCATION

**INTROIT** (front page)

MEDITATION: Portals of Prayer and Catechism

LEARN BY HEART: Bible Verse (front page)

### DAILY READINGS:

SU:	3/30	Genesis 41:28–57	Mark 11:20–33
M:	3/31	Genesis 42:1–34, 38	Mark 12:1–12
T:	4/1	Genesis 43:1–28	Mark 12:13–27
W:	4/2	Genesis 44:1–18, 32–34	Mark 12:28–44
TH:	4/3	Genesis 45:1–20, 24–28	Mark 13:1–23
F:	4/4	Genesis 47:1–31 (Genesis 48:1— 49:28)	Mark 13:24–37
SA:	4/5	Genesis 49:29—50:7, 14–26	Mark 14:1–11

HYMN OF THE MONTH: LSB #427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- For marriage and family, that husband and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God
- Birthdays this upcoming week: Heidi Courson; Maya, Karla
- Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week: Adian, Myla, Gaylord, Janne, Hagan

# COLLECT (front page); LORD'S PRAYER

## BENEDICTION

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

### C Amen