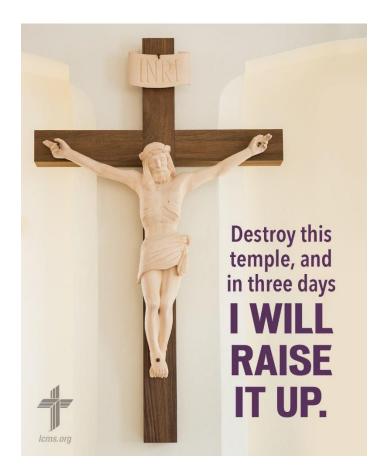
The Third Sunday in Lent Divine Service, Setting Four March 7, 2021



**Regarding the Lord's Supper** – Today as we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion we will receive the body and blood of our Savior. We receive the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning Church fellowship (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 10:17; 1 Cor. 11:26; Rom. 16:17), we practice closed communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests desiring to receive the sacrament are encouraged to speak with the pastor.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Hymn of Invocation: In the Cross of Christ I Glory LSB 427 of Christ 1 In Tow'r ing the Ι glo - ry, cross 2 When the of life o'er \_ take me. Hopes de woes 3 When the of bliss is beam - ing Light and sun 4 Bane and bless ing, pain and plea - sure By the o'er the wrecks of All of time. the light cred sa and Nev - er shall for ceive, fears the an noy, cross From the cross the diance love on my up way, ra \_ ti fied; Peace is there that knows cross are sanc no ゚゚ head Gath round its sub \_ lime. sto ry ers sake me; Lo, it glows with and joy. peace Adds lus the stream-ing more ter to dav. all time bide. mea - sure, Joys that through а

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

#### Invocation

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■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

## Exhortation

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3-4; Luke 18:13

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

## **Confession of Sins**

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

## **Prayer for Forgiveness**

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

## Introit

*Ps.* 69:14–16; antiphon: *Ps.* 69:9

- For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.
- **C** Deliver me from sinking in the mire; let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters.
- **P** Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up, or the pit close its mouth over me.
- Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.
- All 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.
- For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.



# Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
- O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **Old Testament Reading**

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>"You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>"You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>"You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle

#### 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

<sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

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## Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

# Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking about the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

<sup>23</sup>Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. <sup>24</sup>But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people <sup>25</sup>and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

# Nicene Creed

**I** believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

John 2:13–25



5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

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#### Sermon

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## Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord, our jealous God, save the third and fourth generations that will come after us from Your punishment by filling us with Your Son's zeal for Your house in these Lenten days, that we may cast out every idol from our hearts and love only You and Your commandments. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O Lord, our God, You have brought us out of slavery to sin through Christ Jesus, whom You have made to be our wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption. Bless all those whom You send to preach Christ crucified to us, that we may ever know and live in the truth of Your power in His cross. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Heavenly Father, preserve and bless all Christian households, that husbands and wives would live in love and service to each other, that fathers and mothers would diligently bring up their children in Your fear, and that children would honor their parents and be well equipped for service to their neighbors in this life. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O Lord of the perfect Law, You have called us to honor our parents and all other authorities, that it might go well with us in our land. Bless all those who watch over and govern us in Your stead. Make them wise in Your ways, that Your justice may be upheld among us, and help us to serve and obey them in accord with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O God, whose steadfast love in Christ is good, turn in Your abundant mercy to \_\_\_\_\_\_ and all who suffer in our midst, that the flood may not sweep over them nor the pit close its mouth on them. Deliver them from sinking into the mire and deep waters, and grant them healing, comfort and peace. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer, as three days after the temple of Your Son's body was destroyed by wicked men He raised it up again, grant that on the Last Day we and all the saints who now rest in Your presence may share in the glory of His resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.** 

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## Offering

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#### Preface

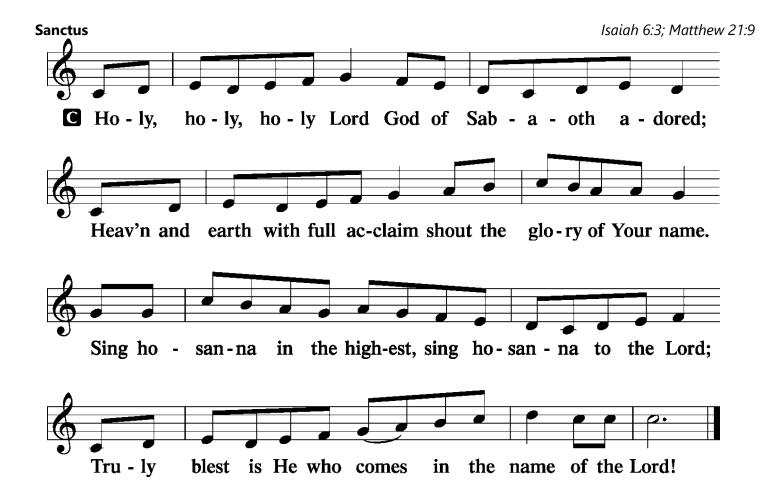
**P** The Lord be with you.

- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.

**G** We lift them to the Lord.

2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136

- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your onlybegotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

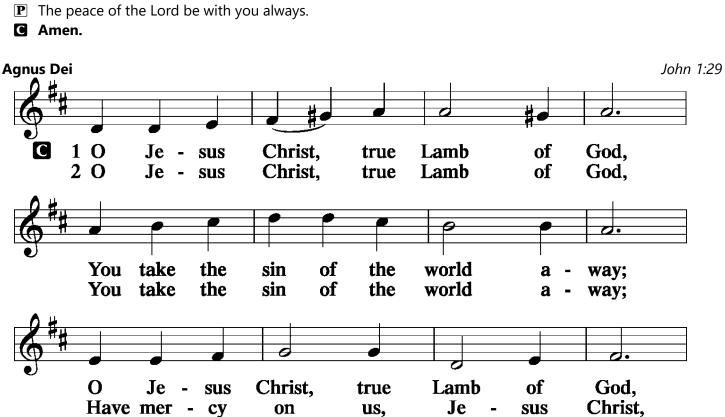
## Lord's Prayer

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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.

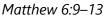
## The Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Have Lord, mer cy on us, we pray. 0 And grant Lord, us peace, we pray.

John 20:19

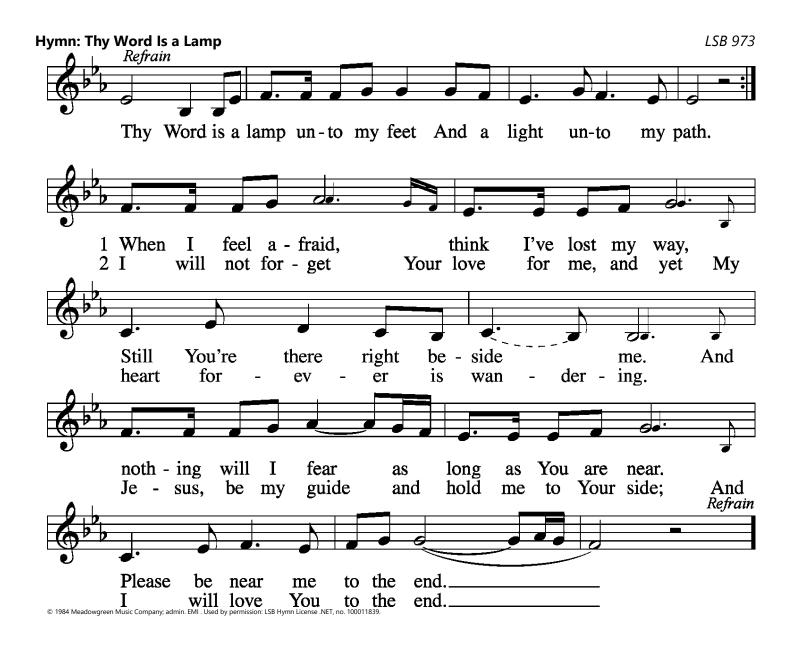


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- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat,
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To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King. © 1997, 2003 Chad L. Bird. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011839. **Distribution Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** LSB 425 θ O 0 which the 1 When Ι the drous On sur - vey won cross 2 For - bid it, Lord, that Ι should boast Save in the His head. Sor - row 3 See. from His hands, His feet and 4 Were whole realm of the ture mine, That were na a Θ 0 of Glo -Prince ry died. Mv rich - est gain Ι Christ, God; Aľ vain things that death of my the flow Did love min gled down! e'er such love and trib ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,  $\mathbf{O}$ 6 pride. count but loss And pour con - tempt all on my His blood. sac - ri - fice most, charm me Ι them to Or thorns com - pose rich crown? sor - row meet SO a De - mands my all! di vine, life, SO soul, my my Public domain



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# **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# C Amen.

## **Benedicamus**

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1

#### **Benediction**

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.

**C** Amen.



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Postlude

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## **Announcements**

- Lenten Evening Prayer Join us midweek Lenten worship services, every Wednesday at 7pm during Lent. Walk with us through the Gospel of John using the "Light of Life" devotional book, if you wish. See below.
- <u>Spuds-n-Suds Luncheon!</u> Join us today after worship for a great time of food and fellowship. We'll have a baked potato bar with all the toppings. All are welcome.
- <u>Youth Confirmation</u> For March 28, REVIEW Catechetical Helps and Bible Passages on pages 162-163. READ AHEAD Chapter 21, pages 164-167.
- **Memory Verse Challenge for This Week:** Philippians 3:8-11 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

# *Scripture Readings for Next Sunday:* Numbers 21:4-9; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21.

- <u>Light of Life: a Journey Through John</u> This year, I'm inviting everyone to read the Gospel of John during Lent. A reading schedule and a devotional book, "Light of Life", are available for anyone.
- <u>Membership Database Update</u> CTK would like to have the correct contact information for our members and regular visitors. Please complete the Contact Card and put it in the box that is on the usher's table.
- <u>Prayer List</u> Jason; Scott; Kathy; Kathy; Kelly; Angela; Derrold and Arlene; Susan; John; Blaine; Lois; Donna; Wally; Marjorie; Darlene; Randy; Barbara; the wife of Jonathan.

## Looking Ahead to Easter (which is on April 4)

- If anyone might be interested in a musical offering, solo, duet, instrumental piece, etc., please talk to Pastor Yoakum.
- If anyone would like to contribute Easter lilies for Easter Sunday, a sign-up sheet is available in the back.

# <u>Serving today</u>

Elder – C. Talbott Ushers – D. Barkley, C. Meier Organist – S. Schuerman Altar Guild – A. Frank Camera – L. Talbott Tellers – A. Frank, M. Pike

## <u>Serving next week</u>

Elder – D. Barkley Ushers – J. Harburg, R. Kanzinger Organist – K. Yoakum Altar Guild – R. Finney Camera – A. Frank Tellers – J. Legge; M. Pike

# <u>Upcoming Calendar</u>

3/7	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class					
	10am	Worship					
	11:30am	Youth Confirmation Class					
	11:30am	Spuds-n-Suds Luncheon					
	2pm	Basic Lutheran Teachings					
3/9	2pm	Book of the Month Bible Study (BOMBS). Topic: Mark 14					
	7pm	Church Council					
3/10	7pm	Lenten Evening Prayer					
3/14	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS						
	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class					
	10am	Worship					
	NO YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS						
3/16	2pm	Book of the Month Bible Study (BOMBS). Topic: Mark 15					
3/17	7pm	Lenten Evening Prayer					

- <u>A Mobile Lutheran Bible Study</u> ... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Hymn "God Loved the World So That He Gave," The Building of the Temple, Responding to Calvinist Proof Texts, Old Testament Judge Samson and more. You can listen on-demand at <u>issuesetc.org</u>, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.
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