

Unfinished: Out of the Depths
Evening Vespers with Holden Evening Prayer

Zion Lutheran Mid-Week Lenten Worship
Wednesday, March 22, 2023 - 5:30 PM

Prelude

Bell Calling us to Worship

You are invited to stand as you are able as the light of Christ is carried to the Christ candle.

Service of Light - Procession HEP p. 2

Evening Hymn "Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory" HEP p. 3

Evening Thanksgiving HEP p. 4

Psalms 141 HEP pp. 4-7

Evening Prayer

God of creation and compassion, **you promise to finish the work you have begun in us. Until that time, we remain underway – sojourners on a long trek. Help us to recognize that you are both our destination and our most faithful companion, reminding us who you are, what you have given us, and how we are to love. Amen**

Scripture Jonah 4

Reflection Faithful and Unfinished Pastor Willie Rosin

The Annunciation HEP p. 8

The Magnificat HEP pp. 9-10

Offering Received

Musical Offering *Wondrous Love* Zion Choir

Litany and Prayers HEP pp. 10-11

The Lord's Prayer HEP p. 11

Final Blessing HEP p. 12

Moment of Reflection

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" verse 1

Silent Dismissal

Lenten Meal for March 29th: Ham Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Potato Chips, Carrots/Celery, Desserts served by the Men's Bible Study. . Please sign up for next week's meal so we have a good estimate of numbers. Thank you!

Jonah's Anger and the LORD's Compassion

4 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly,^[a] and he was angry. **2** And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. **3** Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." **4** And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

5 Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. **6** Now the LORD God appointed a plant^[b] and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort.^[c] So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. **7** But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. **8** When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." **9** But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." **10** And the LORD said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. **11** And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"