

*Fifth Mid-Week Service April 2, 2025*  
*“Jesus the One True Savior”*

**Opening Prayer**

**Opening Hymn:** *“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”* 437

Alas! And did my Savior bleed, And did my sov’riegn die?  
Would He devote that sacred head For such as worm as I?

Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree?  
Amazing pity, grace unknown, And love beyond degree!

The one True Savior Jesus Christ He honored His Father  
By hanging on a Tree for us He came as our “Brother”.

**Invocation:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C:** *Amen!*

P: God the Father, chose His only Son **C:** *As the Messiah who would sacrifice Himself for us!*

P: God chose the Plan to bring hope to the world **C:** *His Son would purchase those lost in sin.*

P: There was only one source of hope **C:** *It was through the action of the only True Son!*

P: God alone can redeem His people **C:** *He alone can pay the price for our sin!*

P: Paying for our sin could only be done **C:** *If the perfect sacrifice was given on our behalf!*

P: Jesus Christ is the One True Savior **C:** *The One who brought salvation to those bound in sin.*

**Psalmody:** *Psalm 17: 6-9*

P: I call on you, O God, for You will answer me; **C:** *Give ear to me and hear my prayer.*

P: Show the wonders of Your great love, **C:** *You who save by Your right hand those who take refuge in You from their foes.*

P: Keep me as the apple of Your eye; **C:** *Hide me in the shadow of Your wings from the wicked who assail me, from my mortal enemies who surround 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 ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**Collect:** Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and You have willingly devised a Plan which depended entirely upon the Work of Your Son alone, help us gracious Lord to trust in You and place our hope in the One True Savior that You have sent into the world on our behalf; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **C:** *Amen.*

**Hymn:** *Tune 433 “God the Light of heaven!”*

Jesus is the Savior! Sent from God above.  
One who shed His own blood By His wondrous love.

God chose to give His Son As the One who’d die.  
He’d pay for all sinners With a final cry!

Jesus the true Savior! Chosen to proclaim,  
Hope to all the nations Through His sacred Name!

Humbly grant us wisdom Insight from Your Word  
Lead us with Your Spirit So Your truths are heard.

**Lessons:**

**O. T. Lesson:** *Isaiah 49: 22-26 This is what the Sovereign LORD says: “See, I will beckon to the Gentiles, I will lift up my banner to the peoples; they will bring your sons in their arms and carry your daughters on their shoulders. Kings will be your foster fathers, and their queens your nursing mothers. They will bow down before you with their faces to the ground; they will lick the dust at your feet. Then you will know that I am the LORD; those who hope in me will not be disappointed.”*

*Can plunder be taken from warriors, or captives be rescued from the fierce?*

*But this is what the LORD says: “Yes, captives will be taken from warriors, and plunder retrieved from the fierce; I will contend with those who contend with you, and your children I will save. I will make your oppressors eat their own flesh; they will be drunk on their own blood, as with wine. Then all mankind will know that I, the LORD, am your Savior, your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.”*

**Choir:** *“Lead Me to Calvary”*

**Gospel Lesson:** *John 4: 39-45 Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in Him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I ever did.” So when the Samaritans came to Him, they urged Him to stay with them, and He stayed two days. And because of His words many more became believers.*

*They said to the woman, “We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this Man really is the Savior of the world.”*

*After the two days He left for Galilee. (Now Jesus Himself had pointed out that a prophet has no honor in his own country.) When He arrived in Galilee, the Galileans welcomed Him. They had seen all that He had done in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, for they also had been there.*

**Hymn:** *Tune 445*

God the Father chose to save us With a Plan to cleanse our sin.  
It was not from works that we'd do But the Cross where He would win.  
From His grace He'd freely give us Life in Him forevermore.  
Bringing hope to all the sinners Who in faith walked through His "door".

**Jesus One and only Savior** Came to earth to live as man  
Was true God and the Messiah He came as the great "I AM".  
He was bringing life to all men Granting them His gracious will  
Offering goodness and mercy Through the blood He was to spill.

God the Father planned salvation Through the work of His own Son  
He would rescue all those sinners Who'd be bound to Him as One.  
God the Father placed in motion All the work that must be done  
To bring life and hope forever And bring honor to His Son.

**Sermon-** *"Jesus the One True Savior"*

**Prayers**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn:** *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" 437*

But drops of grief can ne'er repay The debt of love I owe;  
Here, Lord, I give myself away: 'Tis all that I can do.

Oh, one True Savior who has paid The only price to bring  
Forgiveness to all we who've sinned So we could rejoice and sing!

**Closing Prayer:** - *Gracious Father, we humbly thank and praise You for giving to us the gift of Your Son, who willingly came as the One True Savior who would walk the path to the Cross. Lead us Lord to rejoice in the blessing we have received and may Your grace guide us in willingly forgiving others as You have forgiven us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.*

**Benediction – Choir –** *"At the Foot of the Cross"*

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