

ELCA 2024 Lent Study Lesson 5

Resurrection

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A New Covenant

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Psalm 51

Prayer for Cleansing and Pardon

To the leader. A Psalm of David, when the prophet Nathan came to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.
Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy

blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgement.
Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Hebrews 5:5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

‘You are my Son,
today I have begotten you’;
as he says also in another place,
‘You are a priest for ever,
according to the order of
Melchizedek.’

In the days of his flesh,
Jesus offered up prayers and
supplications, with loud cries and
tears, to the one who was able to
save him from death, and he was
heard because of his reverent
submission. Although he was a Son,
he learned obedience through what
he suffered; and having been made
perfect, he became the source of
eternal salvation for all who obey
him, having been designated by God
a high priest according to the order
of Melchizedek.

John 12:20-33

Some Greeks Wish to See Jesus

Now among those who went up to
worship at the festival were some
Greeks. They came to Philip, who
was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and
said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see
Jesus.’ Philip went and told Andrew;
then Andrew and Philip went and
told Jesus. Jesus answered them,
‘The hour has come for the Son of

Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell
you, unless a grain of wheat falls
into the earth and dies, it remains
just a single grain; but if it dies, it
bears much fruit. Those who love
their life lose it, and those who hate
their life in this world will keep it for
eternal life. Whoever serves me
must follow me, and where I am,
there will my servant be also.
Whoever serves me, the Father will
honour.

Jesus Speaks about His Death

‘Now my soul is troubled. And what
should I say—“Father, save me from
this hour”? No, it is for this reason
that I have come to this
hour. Father, glorify your name.’
Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I
have glorified it, and I will glorify it
again.’ The crowd standing there
heard it and said that it was
thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has
spoken to him.’ Jesus answered,
‘This voice has come for your sake,
not for mine. Now is the judgement
of this world; now the ruler of this
world will be driven out. And I, when
I am lifted up from the earth, will
draw all people to myself.’ He said
this to indicate the kind of death he
was to die.