

WELCOME!
Lord of Life Lutheran Church
4th Mid-Week Lenten Worship
March 25, 2020
We are glad you have joined us.

Eyes on Jesus: Murderous Eyes

As We Gather

This mid-week for Lent, we will continue to use the metaphor of eyesight to examine how the various people in Mark's Gospel viewed Jesus during His Passion. In most cases, they misunderstood him and who He was and what He was doing; then, sometimes by faith, people did recognize Him correctly.

We have these forty days, including today, as we take a look at the **chief priests and scribes**, who saw Jesus as an obstacle to be rid of by violence. Yet, during the Passover festival, they would unwittingly bring about the sacrifice of the ultimate Passover Lamb. How, then, should we view those who oppose the Gospel today? And how might these insights guide our prayers?

Worship

Introit: Psalm 122, 145, 17, 25

I lift up my eyes to the hills from where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing. Keep me as the apple of Your eye; hide me in the shadow of Your wings. My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for He will pluck my feet out of the net. For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me! [Job19:25].

Hymn of Invocation: "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" LSB 904 Verses [1-2].

Confession and Forgiveness

Psalmody: "Arise, O Lord; O God, Lift up Your hand; forget not the afflicted."

Readings: 1st Reading: Job 24; 2nd Reading: 1John 3; 3rd Reading Matthew 23:29

Responsory: "Though we have not seen Him, we love Him. Though we do not now see him,
We believe in Him, we believe in Him and rejoice with joy."

Passion Reading: Mark's Gospel chapter 14

Hymn of Praise: "Thy Strong Word" LSB 578 Verses [1-2].

Sermon: "Murderous Eyes"

Salutation: "The Lord be with you. And also with you."

Prayer of the Church

Prayer from Sunday Prayer for Peace

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn: "Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing." LSB 924

"I know the plans I have for your life, to give you hope and a future."
[Jeremiah 29:11]