



**LENTEN WORSHIP – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25  
THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT: YOU SHALL NOT BEAR  
FALSE WITNESS AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR**

**ORDER OF SERVICE  
Holden Village Evening Prayer**

**Service of Light and Evening Hymn p. 2 - 3**

*Candles will be lit before the worship begins. Please follow the instructions of the liturgist.*

**Evening Thanksgiving p. 4**

**Psalmody p. 4**

*The liturgist is Group One and the congregation is Group Two.*

**THE WORD**

*The song is played through once before the congregation sings it.*

**Song of the Word: “What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine” #774 ELW**

**Vs. 1: What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
          leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
          leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Refrain: Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
          Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Scripture Reading: Proverbs 6:16-19 and Proverbs 19: 5, 9, & 11**

Here are six things GOD hates, and one more that he loathes with a passion: eyes that are arrogant, a tongue that lies, hands that murder the innocent, a heart that hatches evil plots, feet that race down a wicked track, a mouth that lies under oath, a troublemaker in the family... Perjury won't go unpunished. Would you let a liar go free?... <sup>9</sup>The person who tells lies gets caught;... <sup>11</sup>Smart people know how to hold their tongue; their grandeur is to forgive and forget.

**Song of the Word: "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" #774 ELW**

**Vs. 2: Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
          leaning on the everlasting arms;  
oh, how bright the path, grows from day to day,  
          leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Refrain: Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
          Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Scripture Reading: Proverbs 18:8 and Psalm 34:13-14**

Listening to gossip is like eating cheap candy; do you really want junk like that in your belly? ... Guard your tongue from profanity, and no more lying through your teeth. <sup>14</sup>Turn your back on sin; do something good. Embrace peace—don't let it get away!

**Song of the Word: "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" #774 ELW**

**Vs. 3: What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
          Leaning on the everlasting arms.  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
          leaning of the everlasting arms.**

**Refrain: Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
          Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Scripture Reading: Psalm 141**

**L: GOD, come close. Come quickly! Open your ears—it's my voice you're hearing!**

**All: Treat my prayer as sweet incense rising; my raised hands are my evening prayers.**

**L: Post a guard at my mouth, GOD, set a watch at the door of my lips. Don't let me so much as dream of evil or thoughtlessly fall into bad company.**

**All: And these people who only do wrong—don't let them lure me with their sweet talk!**

**L: May the Just One set me straight, may the Kind One correct me, don't let sin anoint my head.**

**All: I'm praying hard against their evil ways! Oh, let their leaders be pushed off a high rock cliff; make them face the music.**

**L: Like a rock pulverized by a maul, let their bones be scattered at the gates of hell.**

**All: But God, dear Lord, I only have eyes for you. Since I've run for dear life to you, take good care of me.**

**L: Protect me from their evil scheming, from all their demonic subterfuge.**

**All: Let the wicked fall flat on their faces, while I walk off without a scratch.**

**Gospel Song: "He Leadeth Me"**

**Vs. 1: He leadeth, me O blessed tho't!  
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!  
What e'er I do, where e'er I be,  
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.**

**Refrain: He leadeth me, He leadeth me!  
By His own hand He leadeth me!  
His faithful foll'wer I would be,  
For by His hand He leadeth me**

**Scripture Reading: Luke 23:1-15**

Then they all took Jesus to Pilate and began to bring up charges against him. They said, "We found this man undermining our law and order, forbidding taxes to be paid to Caesar, setting himself up as Messiah-King." <sup>3</sup>Pilate asked him, "Is this true that you're 'King of the Jews'?" "Those are your words, not mine," Jesus replied. <sup>4</sup>Pilate told the high priests and the accompanying crowd, "I find nothing wrong here. He seems harmless enough to me."

<sup>5</sup>But they were vehement. “He’s stirring up unrest among the people with his teaching, disturbing the peace everywhere, starting in Galilee and now all through Judea. He’s a dangerous man, endangering the peace.”

**Homily: “No Lies about Your Neighbor”**

**Song of the Word: “Open My Eyes, That I May See”**

**Open my eyes, that I may see  
Glimpses of truth thou hast for me;  
Place in my hands the wonderful key  
That shall unclasp and set me free,  
Silently now I wait for thee,  
Ready my God, thy will to see;  
Open my eyes illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**Open my ears, that I may hear  
Voices of truth thou sendest clear;  
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,  
Ev’rything false will disappear.  
Silently now I wait for thee,  
Ready my God, thy will to see;  
Open my ears illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**Open my mouth, and let me bear  
Gladly the warm truth ev’rywhere;  
Open my heart, and let me prepare  
Love with they children thus to share.  
Silently now I wait for thee,  
Ready my God, thy will to see;  
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**HOLDEN VILLAGE EVENING PRAYER**

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**Postlude: “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” Nägeli/Carlson**