



**LENTEN WORSHIP – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25
THE 6th and 7th COMMANDMENTS: “YOU SHALL NOT
COMMIT ADULTERY” AND “YOU SHALL NOT STEAL.”**

**ORDER OF SERVICE
Holden Village Evening Prayer**

Prelude: “Day By Day” by Ahnfelt, arr. By Porter

Service of Light and Evening Hymn p. 2 - 3

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

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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: “Give Me Jesus” #770 ELW

**Vs. 1: In the morning when I rise, (3x)
give me Jesus.**

**Refrain: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.**

**Vs. 2: Dark midnight was my cry, (3x)
give me Jesus. Refrain...**

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 19:13 and Leviticus 6:2-5

Don't exploit your friend or rob him. Don't hold back the wages of a hired hand overnight."

GOD spoke to Moses: "When anyone sins by betraying trust with GOD by deceiving his neighbor regarding something entrusted to him, or by robbing or cheating or threatening him; or if he has found something lost and lies about it and swears falsely regarding any of these sins that people commonly commit—when he sins and is found guilty, he must return what he stole or extorted, restore what was entrusted to him, return the lost thing he found, or anything else about which he swore falsely. He must make full compensation, add twenty percent to it, and hand it over to the owner on the same day he brings his Compensation-Offering. He must present to GOD as his Compensation-Offering a ram without any defect from the flock, assessed at the value of a Compensation-Offering.

Song of the Word: "Give Me Jesus" #770 ELW

**Vs. 3: Just about the break of day, (3x)
give me Jesus.**

**Refrain: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.**

**Vs. 4: Oh, when I come to die, (3x)
give me Jesus. Refrain...**

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 1:8- 19

Pay close attention, friend, to what your father tells you; never forget what you learned at your mother's knee. Wear their counsel like a winning crown, like rings on your fingers. Dear friend, if bad companions tempt you, don't go along with them. If they say—"Let's go out and raise some hell. Let's beat up some old man, mug some old woman. Let's pick them clean and get them ready for their funerals. We'll load up on top-quality loot. We'll haul it home by the truckload. Join us for the time of your life! With us, it's share and share alike!"—Oh, friend, don't give them a second look; don't listen to them for a minute. They're racing to a very bad end, hurrying to ruin everything they lay hands on. Nobody robs a bank with everyone watching. Yet that's what these

people are doing—they're doing themselves in. When you grab all you can get, that's what happens: the more you get, the less you are.

Song of the Word: "Give Me Jesus" #770 ELW

**Vs. 5: And when I want to sing, (3x)
give me Jesus.**

**Refrain: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.**

Scripture Reading: Psalm 62

L: God, the one and only—I'll wait as long as he says. Everything I need comes from him, so why not?

All: He's solid rock under my feet, breathing room for my soul, An impregnable castle: I'm set for life.

L: How long will you gang up on me? How long will you run with the bullies? There's nothing to you, any of you—rotten floorboards, worm-eaten rafters, Anthills plotting to bring down mountains, far gone in make-believe.

All: You talk a good line, but every "blessing" breathes a curse. God, the one and only—I'll wait as long as he says.

L: Everything I hope for comes from him, so why not?

All: He's solid rock under my feet, breathing room for my soul, An impregnable castle: I'm set for life.

L: My help and glory are in God—granite-strength and safe-harbor-God—So trust him absolutely, people; lay your lives on the line for him. God is a safe place to be.

All: Man as such is smoke, woman as such, a mirage. Put them together, they're nothing; two times nothing is nothing.

L: And a windfall, if it comes--don't make too much of it.

All: God said this once and for all; how many times have I heard it repeated? "Strength comes straight from God." Love to you, Lord God! You pay a fair wage for a good day's work!

Gospel Song: "Steal Away to Jesus"

**Refrain: Steal away! Steal away!
Steal away to Jesus.**

**Steal away! Steal away home.
O Lord, I long to come home.**

**Vs. 1: I hear you call me.
You call me by the Spirit.
The trumpet sounds within-a-my soul.
O Lord, I long to come home.**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 19:13-26

One day children were brought to Jesus in the hope that he would lay hands on them and pray over them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus intervened: “Let the children alone, don’t prevent them from coming to me. God’s kingdom is made up of people like these.” After laying hands on them, he left. ¹⁶Another day, a man stopped Jesus and asked, “Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?” ¹⁷Jesus said, “Why do you question me about what’s good? *God* is the One who is good. If you want to enter the life of God, just do what he tells you.” ¹⁸⁻¹⁹The man asked, “What in particular?” Jesus said, “Don’t murder, don’t commit adultery, don’t steal, don’t lie, honor your father and mother, and love your neighbor as you do yourself.” ²⁰The young man said, “I’ve done all that. What’s left?” ²¹“If you want to give it all you’ve got,” Jesus replied, “go sell your possessions; give everything to the poor. All your wealth will then be in heaven. Then come follow me.” ²²That was the last thing the young man expected to hear. And so, crestfallen, he walked away. He was holding on tight to a lot of things, and he couldn’t bear to let go. ²³⁻²⁴As he watched him go, Jesus told his disciples, “Do you have any idea how difficult it is for the rich to enter God’s kingdom? Let me tell you, it’s easier to gallop a camel through a needle’s eye than for the rich to enter God’s kingdom.” ²⁵The disciples were staggered. “Then who has any chance at all?” ²⁶Jesus looked hard at them and said, “No chance at all if you think you can pull it off yourself. Every chance in the world if you trust God to do it.”

Homily: “Do Not Steal”

Song of the Word: “I Need Thee Every Hour”

**Vs. 1: I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.**

**Refrain: I need Thee, O I need Thee;
Every hour I need Thee;
O bless me now, my Savior,
I come to thee.**

**Vs. 2: I need Thee every hour, stay Thou near by
Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh. Refrain...**

**Vs. 3: I need Thee every hour, in joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide or life is vain. Refrain...**

**Vs. 4: I need Thee every hour, most Holy One;
O make me Thine in deed, Thou blessed Son! Refrain...**

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Postlude: "I Need Thee Every Hour" Lowry/Tonioli