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## WHAT'S AHEAD @SPL

**Midweek Lenten Worship** Wednesdays 12:15 & 6:30pm thru 4/10  
**March 23rd**

Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference (9am-4:55pm, Springfield)

**April 6th** Register & Get Your Ticket at [spldecat.org/women](http://spldecat.org/women)

SPL Women "Going Beyond" with Priscilla Shirer Simulcast

LSA Annual Dinner Auction (Mt. Zion Convention Center)

**April 9th**

LCMS Youth Gathering Fundraising Night @Panda Express (4-9pm)

**April 13th**

THE HUNT Family Easter Event & Annual Egg Hunt (10am-12pm)

**April 18th-19th**

Maundy Thursday Seder Meal Tasting (6:30pm)

Good Friday Worship (1:00pm & 7:00pm)

**April 21st**

Easter Sunday Worship (6:30am, 8:00am, 10:30am)

**April 28th**

Confirmation Sunday (10:30am)

**May 4th**

Healing Service with Pastor Paul Teske at SPL (6:00pm)

**May 6th**

LCMS Youth Gathering Fundraising Night @Buffalo Wild Wings (5-9pm)

**May 9th**

St. Paul's Early Learning Center Preschool Graduation (6:30pm)

SPL Women-LWML Friends in Faith Salad Supper (5:30-8:00pm)

**May 16th**

LSA 8th Grade Graduation (@SPL)

**May 19th**

LSA High School Graduation 2:00pm (@LSA)

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## 6:30 PM LENTEN WORSHIP

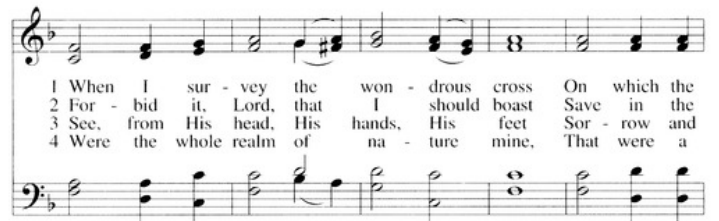
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## 425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



### Preparing for Worship

*As we settle into the season of Lent, our worship naturally takes on a more reflective nature. Lent is a time of reflection about our lives, a time of repentance and preparation for the remembrance of Christ's passion -- and music meets us in these places in profound ways.*

*There are probably more hymns written about the cross than about any other single aspect of the Christian faith --not only because it is at the very core of the Christian gospel, but also because when we sit in brokenness before the cross, our hearts cry out with particular wonder, love and praise.*

*Each week throughout these 40 days of Lent, we will be focusing on one of the classic Lenten hymns that express the heart-cry of brothers and sisters through time -- hymns through which our voices and souls can worship alongside saints through the ages, joined together with the depth of their faith, their wonder, and their surrender. For some of us, these are treasures we remember from year to year, for others these are new expressions in song to learn. For all of us, we will join our voices together to sing of the life, suffering and surrender of Jesus for us. Let these hymns lead you, in the deepest places of your heart, to the foot of the cross.*

### Welcome

### Invocation

### Opening Praise

*Man of Sorrows*



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Gospel Reading

Mark 14:53-65

Confession and Absolution

Message Song

*The Wonderful Cross* (v. 1-3)

Message

*"...and poor contempt on all my pride."*  
Pastor Eric Trickey

Offering

*Who But Jesus*

Our offerings, gifts, and tithes are returned to Jesus in response to His sacrificial love for us. During the Offering time, please complete one of the worship cards found in the pew in front of you and pass it to the center aisle. Our staff will pray over any items you include in the prayer portion located on the back of your card.

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Closing Song

*The Wonderful Cross* (v. 1)



**WHEN I SURVEY  
THE WONDROUS CROSS**  
LSB #425

1. When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss  
**And pour contempt on all my pride.**
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
Save in the death of Christ, my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.
3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a tribute far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

**Sermon Outline**

Samuel helps us to understand:

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of rejecting God.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of rejecting God.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of rejecting God.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ of rejecting God.

1 Samuel 8:1-5

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ in leadership.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the culture.

1 Samuel 6:6-8, Genesis 6:5-6

1 Samuel 8:9-21, 1 Samuel 9:2, 1 Samuel 16:7

The Kingdom is \_\_\_\_\_.

The Kingdom is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is the cure for rejecting God.

**Easter Lilies 2019**

Celebrate the victory of the Resurrection of Jesus - place an Easter Lily in honor of or in memory of a loved one. They will be on display during Easter worship services. Place your order in the Fellowship Area. The cost is \$10.00 each. Questions? Contact Heidi Sack at 423-6955.

**THE HUNT EASTER EVENT @SPL** • April 13

SPL will host "THE HUNT" Family Easter Event on Saturday, April 13th from 10am-12pm. This event includes activity stations for all ages, our annual Easter egg hunt, special treats for the adults, and more! Right now, you can pick up bags of 2-dozen plastic eggs to fill, you can sign up to help with activity station project preparation or to serve at the event. You can sign up to donate food items, prizes for giveaways, or additional egg-stuffing items. A great opportunity for our family to serve many families! Contact Pastor Mark Gearig or Andrea Gerhard for more info (217-423-6955).

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER @SPL** • April 13 - April 21

Mark your calendar and welcome others to these worship experiences at SPL! Plan to be a part of the **Maundy Thursday** Seder Meal Tasting taking place at 6:30pm on April 18th. Invite your family and friends. Registration will be available at SPLDECATUR.ORG

**Good Friday** worship is April 19th at 1:00pm & 7:00pm.

**Easter Worship** is April 21 at 6:30am, 8:00am & 10:30am.

There are multiple opportunities for you to lead and serve connected to each of these experiences - pray about how God might be able to use you here - watch for your chance to get plugged in.