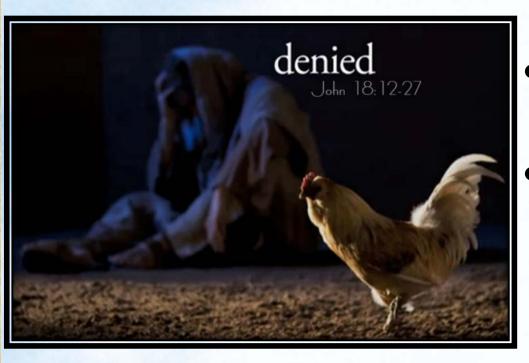
Welcome in the Name of The Triune God March 20, 2022 Peter's Denial



- Prelude by Roxanne Groff
- Office of the Acolyte
- Ringing of the Bell

Scripture Focus: John 18:12-27

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism...

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Merciful God,

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

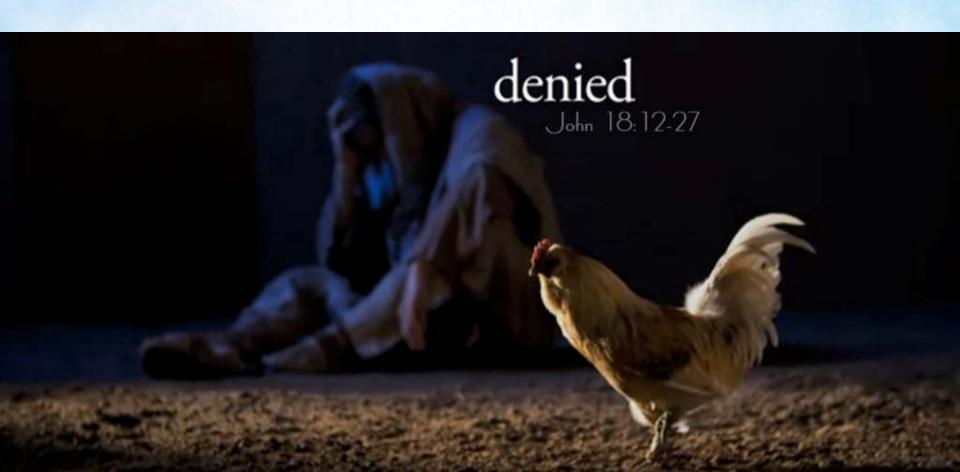
C: These 40 days we reflect on how our sin bleeds into the world, leaving a mark that we cannot remove. Forgive all we have done and failed to do, and cleanse us from the stain of sin.

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Our God is gracious and forgiving. God does not desire that we wallow in the brokenness, but instead cleanses us and makes us new. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sin, and walk in newness of life. For the sake of Jesus Christ we pray.

C: Amen.

* Hymn of Praise "Go to Dark Gethsemane LBW 109



1 Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's pow'r; your Redeemer's conflict see. Watch with him one bitter hour; turn not from his griefs away; learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

2 Follow to the judgment hall, view the Lord of life arraigned; oh, the wormwood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sustained! Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.

3 Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet, mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete. "It is finished!" hear him cry; learn from Jesus Christ to die.

4 Early hasten to the tomb,
where they laid his breathless clay;
all is solitude and gloom.
Who has taken him away?
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes.
Savior, teach us so to rise.

* APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* KYRIE

A: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

* KYRIE

A: For this Holy House, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

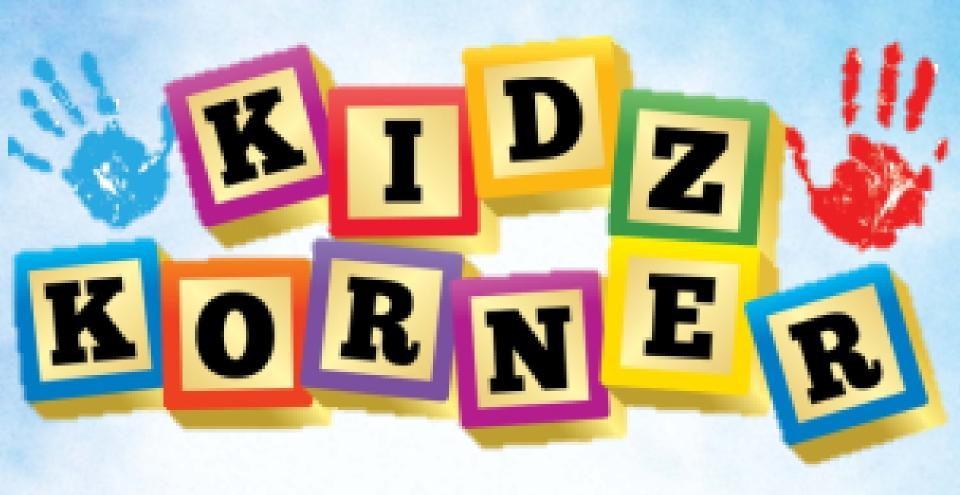
A: Help, save, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray... Faithful Lord, Peter denied knowing you when you needed the love and support of your disciples the most. Help us to show up when we are needed.

C: Amen.







Scripture Reading

R: The Scripture reading is from the Gospel according to Saint John, the 18th chapter.

C: Glory to you O' Lord! (Spoken)

¹²So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him.

¹³First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. 14 Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people. ¹⁵Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that

disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, 16 but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I

am not." 18 Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself. 19Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. ²⁰Jesus answered, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always

taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said." ²²When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" ²³Jesus answered, "If I have spoken

wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?" ²⁴Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. ²⁵Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, "You are not also one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not."

²⁶One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" ²⁷Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ (Spoken)

SERMON



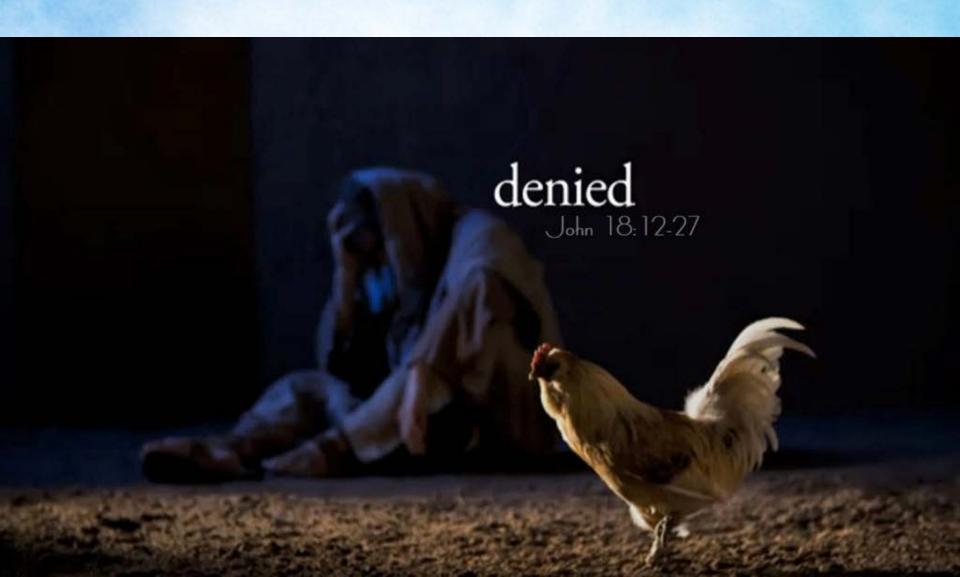




SERMON



SPECIAL MUSIC



* NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

* NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

C: Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

C: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

C: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

* NICENE CREED

C: We acknowledge one
Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins. We look for the
resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to
come. Amen.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition will end with the words,

A: Faithful God,

The congregation will respond with:

C: Hear our prayer.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayer concludes...

P: We call upon you, and you answer us, O Lord. Into your hands we place these, our prayers, and entrust all whom we love, including ourselves and our lives, to your eternal mercy, In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER



* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Communion is by pre-filled kits. All the Baptized are welcome to celebrate this Holy Meal.

Please do not open the Communion Chalice until instructed to do so.

* DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

* Preface

P: It is indeed right...

...join their unending hymn

* Sanctus

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

* Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, our living water...

...in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C: Amen

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P: We are united into one Body by this heavenly food, so let us pray as Jesus taught...
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Our Lord stood strong when he was forced to stand alone. As he faced frightening hours ahead, he continued to give of himself. We are humble recipients of Christ's great gifts, and we receive them with gratitude as we share in the body and blood of Christ, offered here and now. Come, this meal is ready for you.

Please dispose of the empty cup in the trash receptacle on your way out of the Sanctuary.

* POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May this Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep, and unite us, now and forever.

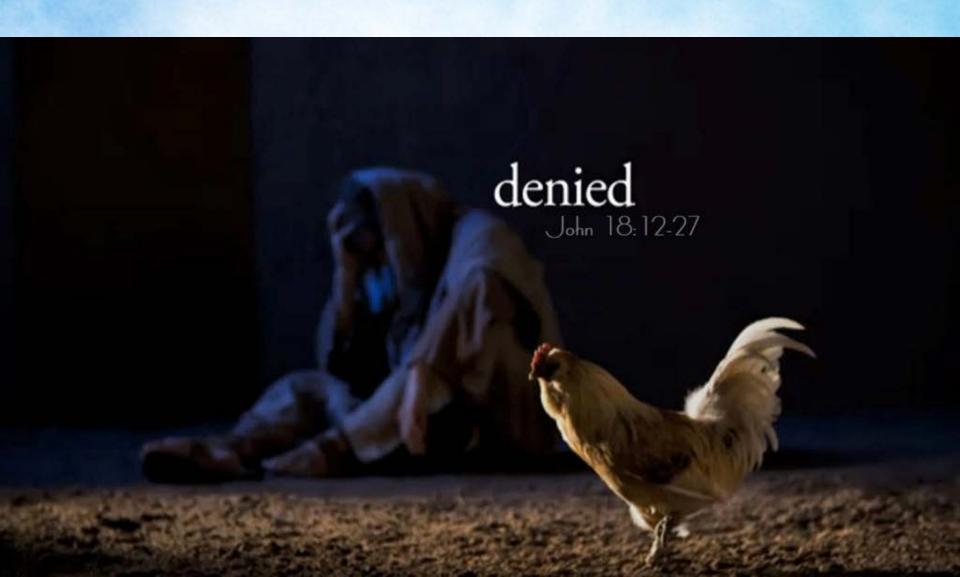
C: Amen.

* POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray... We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS



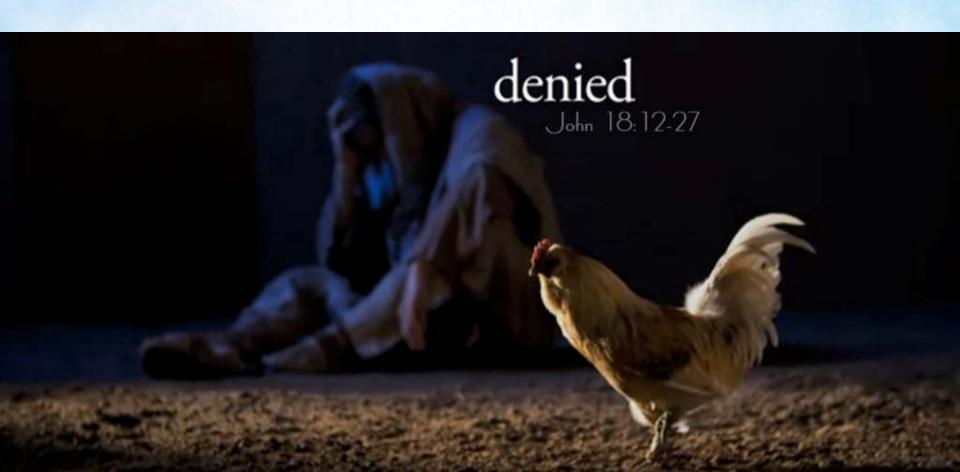
* SENDING BLESSING

P: You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, bless you this day and always.

C: Amen.

* SENDING SONG

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" ELW 335



*Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross--ELW 335

1 Jesus, keep me near the cross, there's a precious fountain; free to all, a healing stream flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

Refrain

*Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross--ELW 335

2 Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me; there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me.

Refrain

- *Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross--ELW 335
 - 3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me; help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me.

Refrain

*Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross--ELW 335

4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever, till I reach the golden strand just beyond the river.

Refrain

* DISMISSAL

P: Until we gather again as God's people to offer our worship and praise, depart in Christ's Love,

C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!

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